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The Chapman University School of Law, founded in 1995, was Orange County's only law school at the time. Donald P. Kennedy Hall, the current home of the School of Law, opened in 1999. Although initially it did not receive accreditation, Chapman University's School of Law has grown immensely since its beginning in both size and prestige. It has a wide range of innovative and experienced professors from nationally renowned universities such as Harvard, Stanford, and USC, providing students with several incredible experiences and opportunities. It provides certificate programs in Advocacy and Dispute Resolution, Tax Law, Environmental/Land Use/Real Estate Law, Entertainment Law, and International Law, while giving students opportunities to argue cases in Orange and Los Angeles Counties, as well as in front of the Supreme Court. [Dr. John Eastman](#), formerly the Dean of the School of Law and expert in constitutional law, came to Chapman after serving a clerkship for Supreme Court Justice Clarence Thomas. He witnessed Chapman's Law School rise from its small beginnings to one that currently ranks among other highly accomplished Schools of Law: "Everybody in the country is talking about it. 'How did Chapman do it, this meteoric rise?' I think we have the ability to be a top 50 Law School in the country. I think we're capable of it, I think we're already there, we just have to get the rest of the world to recognize it."

Interview with former Dean of the Chapman University School of Law John Eastman



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