Editor's Note

This year I did not track down articles not emailed to me as submissions for this newsletter because (a) a running list of articles can be found on the blog, https://maximinlaw.wordpress.com/, using the “articles” category and (b) I hope that not tracking down articles this year will encourage more submissions next year. As always, the hope is that the annual newsletter will help us know what others have been doing and allow for connections that might not otherwise occur.

AALS Note from Marc-Tizoc González (St. Thomas), 2016 Poverty Law Section Chair:

The Poverty Law Section co-sponsored the Wed. Jan. 4 daylong joint program, Why Law Matters: Health and Social Justice (organized by the Sections on Disability Law; Insurance Law; Law, Medicine and Health Care; and Minority Groups, and co-sponsored by the Section on Women in Legal Education), which will be held from 8:30 am to 5:15 pm in the Continental Ballroom 5, Ballroom Level, of the Hilton San Francisco Union Square. It features four sessions:

- Health Law and Health Equity (8:30 am - 10:15 am)
- Health Insurance and Access to Healthcare after the Affordable Care Act (10:30 am - 12:15 pm)
- Food Justice as Interracial Justice (1:30 pm - 3:15 pm)
- Furthering Liberty for People with Disabilities Post-Meyer v. Nebraska (3:30 pm - 5:15 pm)

Within the Jan. 4 daylong program, Food Justice as Interracial Justice is the session that our Section principally organized. It will run from 1:30 pm to 3:15 pm in Continental Ballroom 5, Hilton San Francisco Union Square.

Also, the Poverty Law Section co-sponsored the Thurs. Jan. 5 panel, Property and the Challenge of Housing Affordability, organized by the Section on Property Law and co-sponsored by the Section on State and Local Government Law, which will run from 1:30 pm to 3:15 pm in Continental Parlor 9, Ballroom Level, of the Hilton San Francisco Union Square.

The Poverty Law Section also organized the Thurs. Jan. 5 works in progress session, Charting the Past, Projecting the Future: New Directions in Poverty Law, which will center discussion around The Poverty Law Canon (2016), and run from 3:30 pm to 5:15 pm in Golden Gate 7, Lobby Level, of the Hilton San Francisco Union Square.

Finally, the Poverty Law Section organized jointly, with the Section on Constitutional Law, the Fri. Jan. 6 panel, The Constitution in an Era of Increasing Inequality, which will run from 10:30 am to 12:15 pm in Continental Ballroom 4, Ballroom Level, in the Hilton San Francisco Union Square. Both Sections will hold brief business meetings after the end of the program.

Upcoming Conferences

Jan. 3-7, 2017: AALS Annual Conference, San Francisco, CA


Mar. 3-5, 2017: Robert M. Cover Social Justice Retreat, Sargent Center, Peterborough, NH.


Mar. 30-31, 2017: Annual Feminist Legal Theory Conference, University of Baltimore School of Law, Baltimore, MD.

Apr. 12-14, 2017: State Bar of Texas Poverty Law Conference, Austin, TX.

May 6-9, 2017: AALS Conference on Clinical Legal Education, Denver, CO.


Nov. TBD, 2017: ClassCrits X, Tulane Law School, New Orleans, LA. For more information, please contact Martha McCluskey at mcclusk@buffalo.edu.

Books


Articles and Other Publications


Michele Benedetto Neitz (Golden Gate): When Myths Become Beliefs: Implicit Socioeconomic Bias in American Courtrooms, in ENHANCING JUSTICE BY REDUCING BIAS (forthcoming 2017).


Other Announcements

Emily A. Benfer (Loyola Chicago): Received the Health Innovator Award from Erie Family Health Center.

Marie Failinger (Mitchell Hamline): Put together a program on sexual assault in the military that might be of interest to poverty law professors, 1:30-3:15 pm on Thursday, Jan. 5, 2017 at the AALS meeting.

Michele Gilman (Baltimore): On March 30 and 31, 2017, the Center on Applied Feminism at the University of Baltimore School of Law will host its 10th Annual Feminist Legal Theory Conference. http://law.ubalt.edu/centers/caf/. On Thursday, March 30, we will welcome several authors of the Feminist Judgments Project to present and discuss their work. The Feminist Judgments Project re-visions what key Supreme Court decisions on gender issues would look like if written from a feminist perspective. https://sites.temple.edu/usfeministjudgments/. On Friday, March 31, academics and practitioners from the United States and around the world will present papers on this year’s theme of Applied Feminism and Intersectionality: Examining Law Through the Lens of Multiple Identities. We welcome you to attend all or part of the conference. Admission is free.

Leah A. Hill (Fordham): Fordham Law School strengthened its commitment to access to justice, with the arrival of the National Center for Access to Justice and the launch of a schoolwide Access to Justice Initiative that will serve as a national model for legal education. A priority of Dean Matthew Diller, who is drawing on his own experience as a civil legal aid attorney and his scholarship in the field of poverty law, and an integral corollary to the service-oriented mission of Fordham Law School, the initiative features the addition of two access-to-justice
heavyweights. Jonathan Lippman, former chief judge of the New York Court of Appeals, will be the initiative’s distinguished fellow. David Udell, executive director of the National Center for Access to Justice, whose Justice Index provides reformers an invaluable online resource to promote access best practices across the United States, will bring his expertise. Together, Diller, Lippman, and Udell will co-chair the new initiative.

Tim Iglesias (Univ. of San Francisco): Appointed by Governor Jerry Brown to be a Councilmember of the California Fair Employment and Housing Council which drafts regulations to implement California's anti-discrimination laws.

Lauren Sudeall Lucas (Georgia State): Became the founding faculty director of the new Center for Access to Justice at Georgia State University College of Law. The Center was created to shine a light on the specific obstacles to equal access to justice in the South and will serve as a regional and national base for the study of how lower-income individuals interact with the civil and criminal justice systems. The center’s mission is three-fold: collaboration across disciplines, and between academics, practitioners, and law and policymakers; research and advocacy; and education and community outreach.

Noah Zatz (UCLA): Open Society Fellow, 2017-18, for “Get To Work or Go To Jail” project.

Final Note Regarding the Listserv and Blog

There is a poverty listserv that is loosely associated with the AALS Poverty Section. If you are not getting emails from the listserv and would like to get them, or if you are getting them and would like not to get them, please email the administrator at erosser@wcl.american.edu. To post to the listserv, you email POVERTYLIST@ROSTER.WCL.AMERICAN.EDU, but you have to be properly enrolled so if you have any problems, email erosser@wcl.american.edu.

The Poverty Law Blog, https://maximinlaw.wordpress.com/, also allows you to sign up for an email subscription. If you have something (a forthcoming paper, a paper just published, or news of interest) that would be good for the blog, PLEASE email, erosser@wcl.american.edu.

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