Editor’s Note

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 (https://maximinlaw.wordpress.com/category/articles/) and (b) I hope that not tracking down articles 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 Jan. 2018 Program


This joint program will consider the roles and responsibilities of law schools and law school clinics in providing training and engaging in advocacy responsive to the new normal of the post-election world. Law schools, especially in the clinical and poverty law contexts, offer pedagogical approaches and experiential opportunities designed to promote conversations between people from diverse perspectives and enable legal advocacy by law students through representation, political action, and pursuit of legislative change. This program will explore the ways that the election has influenced the teaching and advocacy that is happening in law school clinical programs. Both in connection with and beyond clinical education, the program will also consider the various approaches law schools are utilizing to address domestic poverty issues in the post-election world, including, for example, the erosion of government benefits for poor people under the new administration. Panelists will facilitate a discussion about these approaches and the questions they may raise about the roles that advocacy, activism, academic freedom, and scholarship should play in legal education.

Service opportunities sponsored by the section

Pro Bono & Public Service Opportunities Service Project, Co-Sponsored by Poverty Law – Service Project at Mama’s Kitchen (Thurs. Jan 4, 12-4)

Poverty Law Field Trip - A Trip to Chicano Park (Sat. Jan. 6, 9am-12noon)

Upcoming Conferences

Jan. 3-6, 2018: AALS Annual Conference, San Diego, CA

Feb. 16-17, 2018: Yale’s Rebellious Lawyering Conference, Yale Law School, New Haven, CT.

Feb. 22-23, 2018: State of the South, Georgia State University College of Law, Atlanta, GA.

Feb. 23-25, 2018: Robert M. Cover Social Justice Retreat, Sargent Center, Peterborough, NH.


Mar. 21-22, 2018: Rural Poverty, Fifty Years After The People Left Behind – A Research Conference, Looking Backward and Forward, Washington, D.C.

Apr. 29-May 2, 2018: AALS Conference on Clinical Legal Education, Chicago, IL.

Jun. 7-10, 2018: Law & Society, Toronto, Canada.

Sep. 13-14, 2018: 2018 Salzburg Conference in Interdisciplinary Poverty Research, Focus Theme: Space and Poverty, Salzburg, Austria.

Books


David Reiss (Brooklyn): Paying for the American Dream: How to Reform the Market for Mortgages (Oxford University Press forthcoming).

Articles and Other Publications


Lauren Sudeall Lucas (Georgia State): An Empirical Assessment of Georgia’s Beyond a Reasonable Doubt Standard to Determine Intellectual Disability in Capital Cases, 33 GA. ST. U. L. REV. 553 (2017);


Other Announcements

Tim Iglesias (Univ. of San Francisco): Councilmember on the California Fair Employment and Housing Council (http://www.dfeh.ca.gov/FEHCouncil.htm) appointed by Governor Jerry Brown June 2015; reappointed March 2017 (The Fair Employment and Housing Council drafts regulations to implement California's employment and housing anti-discrimination laws); Editor-in-Chief of the ABA Journal of Affordable Housing & Community Development Law, the nation’s only law journal dedicated to affordable housing and community development law.

John Capowski (Widener): is a petitioner in League of Women Voters v. Commonwealth, an action challenging the Gerrymandering of Congressional Districts in Pennsylvania. The petitioners and their attorneys are hoping for a resolution that will allow redistricting before the mid-term elections.

Lisa R. Pruitt (UC Davis): Vice President of the Rural Sociological Society (2017-18); Member, Poverty and Geography Network (multi-disciplinary network established by the National Poverty Research Center at the Institute for Research on Poverty), 2017-2022; Co-Chair, Rural Task Force, California Commission on Access to Justice (2017-18).

Ezra Rosser (American): American University Washington College of Law has approved the new Economic Justice Program, http://economicjusticeprogram.com/, the definition of which is an ongoing process so if you have suggestions of valuable activities, please contact him.

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. I am also posting some material that does not appear on the blog to the associated twitter feed: @EzraRosser. 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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