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Message from the Co-Chairs



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We hope your semesters are going well. We have much to report on the work of the Section and are happy to share with you some wonderful news. As you know, in January, **Carol (Quiche) Suzuki** (New Mexico) will become Chair of the Section. The Section is in very good hands with such a talented and dedicated individual taking the lead.

Executive Committee:

We are pleased to report that **Amy Applegate** (Indiana, Bloomington) has been nominated to be the Chair Elect, and we also have terrific nominations for new members of the Executive Committee (EC). **Andrea Seielstad** (Dayton) and **Alan Kirtley** (U. of Washington) have been nominated to replace Tony Alfieri (Miami) and Paula Williams (Tennessee) whose terms are expiring on the Executive Committee. We thank Tony and Paula for their service and look forward to voting on Andrea's and Alan's nominations at our business meeting in San Diego. Also **Robert Jones** (Notre Dame) has been nominated to fill a vacancy on the EC. We are delighted that all of these talented and dedicated individuals have agreed to serve the Section and we look forward to voting on these nominations in January! We also would like to thank the members of the nominating committee - Nina Tarr, Chair (Cal. Western - visiting), Warren Jones (McGeorge), Michelle Pistone (Villanova) and JoNel Newman (Miami) - who developed a wonderful field of candidates from which to choose.

Pincus Award:

At our lunch during the Annual Meeting in San Diego, we will have the great honor to celebrate **Margaret Martin Barry** (Catholic) as this year's recipient of the Pincus Award. We will have the opportunity to honor Margaret for her excellence in service, scholarship, program design and implementation; and work to benefit clinical legal education and the advancement of justice! The awards committee, Peter Joy - Chair (Wash. U), Zelda Harris (Arizona), Deborah Epstein (Georgetown), Gordon Beggs (Cleveland State) and Baher Azmy (Seton Hall) did a wonderful job selecting from a very strong field of candidates. We thank the committee and all those who sent in nominations and we look forward to raising our glasses to toast Margaret!

Annual Meeting:

Lunch and Business Meeting:

There are many Section activities at the AALS Annual Meeting in San Diego this January. On January 7, 2009 we will have our Section lunch with the Pincus Award and business meeting from 12:15 to 1:30. Remember that even if you choose not to join us for lunch, you can come at 1:15 for the business meeting. During the business meeting we will vote on the nominations for the Chair Elect and new members of the Executive Committee.



Section's Program:

The Section Program begins right after the lunch and is co-sponsored with the Section on Professional Responsibility. The Program consists of two sessions which promise to be excellent reasons for attending the Annual Meeting! Both sessions will be interactive with plenty of time for questions. The program will be from 2:00-5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, January 7th.

The First Session is entitled (A Commemorating) CLEPR and the Development of Professional Responsibility Education in the last Forty Years. The speakers are: Irma Russell - moderator/commentator (Tulsa); Deborah Rhode (Stanford); and Rebecca Sandefur, American Bar Foundation & Stanford University School of Sociology.

Professor Rhode will talk both about the development of legal ethics as part of the curriculum since CLEPR and about the use of the pervasive method to teach legal ethics in law school. She will demonstrate, through example, how one incorporates ethics by the pervasive method. Professor Sandefur will discuss some of the results from the *After the JD* study, which provides insight from graduates as to how well legal ethics and clinical courses prepared them for practice, taking into consideration differences among law schools. Her presentation will help us think about how we might improve legal education.

The Second Session, (A Innovative) Curricular Developments: Implementing Best Practices for Educating Lawyers also has wonderful speakers: Antoinette Sedillo Lopez (New Mexico); Kevin Kerrigan, Director of the Law Centre - Northumbria School of Law; Philip Plowden, Dean of University of Northumbria School of Law; and Lawrence Grosberg, (New York Law)

This session will focus on assessment issues in legal education. Professor Kerrigan and Dean Plowden will discuss assessment across the law school curriculum in the UK, and will involve the group in an interactive assessment exercise using the criteria-referenced protocol used at Northumbria. Professor Grosberg will focus on the use of multiple assessment methods in clinical and skills courses with a focus on the use of Astandardized clients. He will involve the group in an interactive assessment exercise.

This jointly sponsored session took significant work to plan and implement and we would like to thank the Program Planning Committee. Representing the Professional Responsibility Section were Susan Carle and Irma Russell; representing the Clinical Section were Jeanne Charn, Kim O'Leary, David Santacroce, and Michele Pistone; and representing both, and acting as Chair, was our own Peter Joy. Thank you all for your creative approach and hard work!

CLEPR Dinner:

In addition to the program, there will be a dinner to celebrate the 40th Anniversary of the Council on Legal Education for Professional Responsibility (CLEPR). The dinner will take place from 7 pm - 11 pm on January 7th at the Broadway Event Center, 615 Broadway in San Diego. At the celebration, we will honor William Pincus, CLEPR's President, as well as early CLEPR pioneer, the Honorable





Dorothy W. Nelson of the 9th Circuit Court of Appeals. The evening's 45 minute formal program will include a keynote address from Erwin Chemerinsky, founding dean of the University of California, Irvine School of Law, a short film on CLEPR by Prof. Sandy Ogilvy (Catholic), and words from our honorees. The celebration is made possible with the generous support of over 30 law schools across the country. Admission for dinner and the evening's events is a mere \$27.50. Seating is very limited, so purchase your tickets now through the CSALE website.

For those of you who do not know the history of CLEPR and may be wondering why we are celebrating its anniversary, here is a little history. In 1968 the Ford Foundation gave 10 million dollars to promote the development of clinical education in the American legal academy. With that gift, the Council on Legal Education for Professional Responsibility ("CLEPR") was formed. CLEPR was founded upon the notion that "clinical work at the professional school level has important and unique educational, human, and social values for all the students and faculty - and the machinery of justice." CLEPR'S formation was seminal: it soon awarded grants supporting the establishment of live-client clinics in law schools across the country, effectively starting modern clinical legal education.

Highlights of the Section's Activities:

The Section has been busy trying to do more to support the work of clinicians all over the country. We have also been trying develop a more sustainable way to reach out to those folks engaged in clinical work who cannot attend conferences and do not know of the resources available to them.

The **Membership and Outreach Committee** has been working on creating a Clinicians' Desk Reference and hopes to have a preliminary draft available for review and comment for the January AALS meeting, with the final product ready for the conference in Cleveland in the spring! Amy Applegate has led the Committee's work and has been assisted by Cynthia Batt (Temple), Bridgette Carr (Michigan), Marisa Cianciarulo (Chapman), Margaret Johnson (Baltimore), David Santacroce (Michigan), and Hans Sinha (Mississippi). The committee is always interested in assistance and feedback.

Beth Belmont (Washington and Lee) the Section's treasurer, along with Karen Tokarz (Wash. U) and Christine Cimini (Denver) have worked incredibly hard to create a user friendly template for applying for **regional conference** support from the Section. Their forms and advice to folks hosting these conferences have contributed to the many successful regional conferences taking place all over the country. We all owe them many thanks!

The **Taskforce on Clinical Legal Education** continues its work towards addressing the questions of who we are as a community and what structures best support our work. The release of the data collected by CSALE has gone a long way to answering the question of who we are. Tremendous thanks are due to David Santacroce (Michigan) and Bob Kuehn (Alabama) for their work on the survey instrument. Many other people (too many to name) offered feedback and advice and we are all better for their involvement and hope it will continue.





The Taskforce plans to have a final draft report ready for conference in May so that the community will have a chance to offer advice and guidance as the final report takes shape. Look for another opportunity to participate at the May conference!

Thanks:

The work of the Section relies on so many people and there are some who need special thanks. Past Chair, David Santacroce and Chair Elect, Quiche Suzuki have supported our efforts to work on your behalf and have ensured smooth transitions between Chairs. The Executive Committee - Amy Applegate, Tony Alfieri, Paula Williams, Mary Lynch, Kurt Eggert, Doug Frenkel, and Beth Belmont have endured early morning meetings and flurries of e-mails along with conference calls to get the business of the Section done. We very much appreciate their participation, creativity and leadership. Kim O'Leary and Marla Mitchell-Cichon have spent long, careful hours to produce our newsletters. Michael Pinard and Kim Connolly, President and Vice President of CLEA, along with their board, have been wonderful colleagues in the work to support clinicians and clinical legal education.

It has truly been an honor to serve as the Section Co-Chairs. In this post-election season and in these scary economic times, we are called on to continue our work to serve all of our clients and students to the best of our abilities and to work with our colleagues in whatever setting we find them, whether they agree or disagree with our views of the crucial importance of clinical legal education, or the ideal paths to achieve our goals. We are honored to be a part of such a vibrant community working on so many levels, whether it is to educate students, represent clients, pursue justice and/or reform the law.

We thank everyone for all the work that they do and look forward to the promise of a new year!

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FEATURE ARTICLES

Barry Law School establishes Earth Advocacy Clinic to focus on environmental issues.

Orlando, Fla. - Barry University's Dwayne O. Andreas School of Law announces the creation of an Earth Advocacy Clinic at its campus in Orlando. The clinic, which officially began operating this semester, provides legal counseling and representation to individuals, groups of individuals, and organizations on environmental issues.

The Earth Advocacy Clinic, which complements the school's Dominican history of concern for the environment, will provide Barry law students with hands-on legal practice experience on environmental issues represent clients who may have difficulties seeking adequate legal representation on these issues and contribute to the betterment of the environment. The clinic will focus on litigation, client counseling, regulatory work, lay education, and research as it relates to environmental issues. Barry becomes only the third law school in Florida to offer an in-house environmental clinic.

"As a former law student who fully embraced clinical opportunities and who is coming from a career in public interest environmental law, I am excited to be part of developing Barry's Earth Advocacy Clinic, which will simultaneously provide great real-life experiences for Barry's students and greater access to representation for clients dealing with these important issues," said Jeanne Zokovitch Paben, director of the Earth Advocacy Clinic.

Students, faculty and staff involved with the clinic will work on cases in partnership with non-profit and private attorneys and law firms representing clients on public interest environmental issues. The clinic has already begun working with WildLaw, an environmental, non-profit organization. First semester cases include representation of individuals and a community-based organization on a contaminated sites case, representation of environmental organizations on endangered species cases, and cases involving actions in Florida's three national forests.

Michigan Clinical Law Program

Students in the Michigan Clinical Law Program won commutation last fall for two women prisoners in separate cases. One client, at 17, had been the unwitting driver in an armed robbery that went sour. She was convicted of felony murder and sentenced to 25-50 years. She had compiled a superb record in prison. The students persuaded the parole board to recommend her commutation and the governor to carry it out. This was one of the first commutations in the state (other than for terminal illness) in many years.

The second case -- also done under the supervision of Bridget McCormack -- was more arduous. The client was a mandatory lifer who had been convicted of first-degree murder for killing her husband. The evidence was circumstantial and the client maintained her innocence. Clinic students had won her release in habeas in federal district court, but she returned to prison 3 years later when the Sixth Circuit





reversed. On remand, the district court judge wrote that he believed her to be innocent, but procedural bars prevented him from granting any relief.

The students worked tirelessly on the case, bringing 26 witnesses to the parole board public hearing, including a witness from the office of Michigan's U.S. Senator Carl Levin, whose support for the application the students had procured. Both women were released in August 2008. The students had the rare pleasure of escorting their clients out the prison doors, and celebrating with them.



ALBANY LAW SCHOOL

Albany Law School's Health Law Clinic Receives Innovative Project Award

The Albany Law Clinic and Justice Center's Health Law Clinic recently received a Statewide 2008 Innovative Project Award from the New York State Department of Health's Cancer Services Program in recognition of the clinic's collaborative advocacy initiatives.

The Health Law Clinic approaches cases through a model of collaboration between law students and medical professionals, which simultaneously helps resolve legal disputes and leads to improved health outcomes for clients. Since the inception of the clinic's Cancer Care initiative in 2004, 70 law students have represented 300 clients affected by cancer in 620 cases.

"The Cancer Care initiative at Albany Law is truly a commendable program that has helped hundreds of people access legal services that would have otherwise been unavailable," said Richard Daines, commissioner of the New York State Department of Health. "And by partnering with doctors on a case-by-case basis, the law students are truly able to act in the best interest of their clients."

"The clinic is designed to teach students how to identify and address the legal issues that affect individuals living with chronic health conditions," said Professor Joseph Connors, director of the Health Law Clinic. "The clinic's legal services alleviate a great deal of stress for our clients, allowing them to focus their limited energy on their underlying health problems."

Through faculty-supervised representation of clients living with or affected by cancer or HIV, participating students acquire a broad range of practical lawyering skills in the areas of client interviewing, factual investigation, case planning, client counseling and litigation advocacy. The student interns, who are admitted to practice under the Student Practice Rule, help clients access necessary health care, obtain public benefits, secure or maintain stable housing, establish court-approved emergency plans for the future care of children, and develop proxies that authorize health care agents to make health decisions.



The Jacob Burns Community Legal Clinics George Washington University Law School



Joan Strand

Professor Joan Strand, Director of the Civil & Family Litigation Clinic has been chosen by the Legal Times as one of the “90 Greatest Washington Lawyers of the Last 30 Years.” The Legal Times named Professor Strand a “Champion” for her exemplary community and public service, including her three decades of work as a clinical professor, who teaches students by instruction and example, to use law to serve those in need. She was also recognized for her years of leadership on access to justice issues in the DC Bar, including her 1999-2000 term as its President. On September 24, 2008, Fred Lawrence, Dean of the law school, members of the GW clinical faculty, and many DC-area lawyers accompanied Joan to a black tie gala, where her accomplishments were celebrated, along with those of other Legal Times honorees like Eleanor Holmes Norton, Judith Areen, Marian Wright Edelman, Clark Clifford, Lloyd Cutler, Jamie Gorelick, Robert Drinan, Elliott Richardson, Edward Bennett Williams, Patricia Wald, Antonin Scalia, Ruth Bader Ginsburg, and other legal luminaries.

Our new clinical fellowship program has been a vital addition to our clinics this year. The five Fellows--Anastasia Boutsis, Kelly Knepper, Juliana Russo, Amanda Spratley, and Jenelle Williams—have been working as co-teachers and co-supervisors in the Consumer Mediation Clinic (with Professor Carol Izumi); the Federal, Criminal, and Appellate Clinic (with Professor Anne Olesen); the Outside Placement Program (with Professor Alexa Freeman); the Small Business and Community Economic Development Clinic (with Professor Susan Jones); and the Immigration Clinic (with Professor Alberto Benitez) respectively. The clinical faculty and students are appreciating their presence and learning from their ideas. We are enjoying teaching them as well. The five fellows are enrolled as LLM students and taking two new classes, taught by Professor Phyllis Goldfarb. Known as Clinical Teaching and Scholarship I and Clinical Teaching and Scholarship II, these classes will anchor their course of LLM studies.

This summer we piloted a graduate-level paralegal internship program with the Paralegal Studies Program of GW’s College of Professional Studies. Three paralegal interns, supervised by our managing attorney Lisa Guffey, spent the summer providing paralegal support to the work of our clinics while completing their paralegal training. We found this cross-campus collaboration to be mutually enriching and plan to continue it into the future.

We began the 2008-09 academic year with our first day-long cross-clinic orientation to lawyering and clinical methods. We have assessed this successful joint venture and are refining it for future semesters. The orientation program helped launch the students into what by all accounts has been an active and enlightening semester serving clients in need of their assistance.



Columbia University School of Law

Brett Dignam, a long-time clinical professor at Yale Law School known for her advocacy on behalf of prisoners, is joining the faculty at Columbia Law School, starting in Fall 2010.



Brett Dignam

Since 1992 Dignam has served on the faculty at Yale Law School, where she was active in clinics addressing prison legal services, complex federal litigation, and Supreme Court advocacy. She supervised workshops conducted by Yale law students for prisoners at the Federal Correctional Institution in Danbury, Conn., addressing inmate legal rights under the Prison Litigation Reform Act. Dignam has participated in more than 30 federal and state cases in the area of prisoners' rights

"Professor Dignam brings remarkable talent to bear in her advocacy and teaching," said Dean David M. Schizer of Columbia. "She will add extraordinary strength to our thriving clinical programs."

Prisoners and Families Clinic

Several years ago the Prisoners and Families Clinic, headed by Professor Philip Genty, handled a case for a woman in prison who had been denied parole. In looking into her case the students discovered that she had had an extra sentence tacked on illegally. (The story is complicated.) They connected with a couple of criminal defense lawyers and ultimately got her out of prison. She then found an attorney to sue the State for wrongful imprisonment. She lost in the Court of Claims, but this was just reversed in the App. Div.

There was a nice article about this case on the front page of the November 3, 2008 Law Journal. It mentioned the PFC and the students -- Alison Wilkey and Michelle Maloney -- by name.

In addition, the Clinic was mentioned in the decision itself. Here is an excerpt from the Appellate Division's decision in *Lapidus v State of New York* 2008 NY Slip Op 08300 Decided on October 28, 2008 Appellate Division, Second Department of the New York State Supreme Court:

Between May 12, 2003, and August 11, 2003, Lapidus wrote a number of letters to various individuals and agencies inquiring about her status with respect to her alleged 1989 King's County conviction, and whether the term of imprisonment which had supposedly been imposed upon that conviction should run concurrently rather than consecutively to the term imposed for her 1998 drug conviction. At some point, Lapidus obtained assistance from a legal clinic operated by the Columbia University Law School. According to Lapidus, it was the inquiries made by two of the clinic's dedicated law students that led the King's County Supreme Court Criminal Term Clerk's Office to conclude, in April 2004, that an error had been made, and that she had never been arraigned, convicted, and sentenced on the 1987 charges that resulted in her purported 1989 conviction. She was thereafter arraigned on the 1987 indictment on April 20, 2004. A few days later, on April 29, 2004, Lapidus pleaded guilty to assault in the second degree, and was sentenced to a term of 10 days of imprisonment. On May 4, 2004, she was re sentenced, nunc pro tunc, on her 1998 conviction of criminal sale of a controlled substance in the third degree, to an indeterminate term of 1 to 3 years of imprisonment as a first time offender. Lapidus was released from custody that same day having been imprisoned for more than six years.



The New York Law Journal Public Interest Projects

The Sexuality and Gender Law Clinic at Columbia Law School filed third-party intervention papers on October 3, 2008, with the European Court of Human Rights, urging the court to recognize that state signatories to the European Convention on Human Rights must, under the anti-slavery provision, provide transnational residency to victims of sex trafficking.

Similar to a U.S. amicus brief, the intervention was entered in the European Court matter of *M. v. United Kingdom* and addressed the status of a young woman trafficked to Britain, but denied asylum by the government.

"Sex trafficking and slavery both involve severe human exploitation," said Professor Suzanne B. Goldberg, director of the Columbia Law clinic. "Much of the world, including global and domestic institutions, already recognizes this link. We look forward to the [European Court] recognizing the slavery-trafficking link as well."

The intervention was drafted by Ms. Goldberg and three of her students, Bradley Mullins, Abram Seaman, and Jennifer Ryan.

Columbia Law's Human Rights Institute

Jessica Lenahan (formerly Gonzales), whose three young daughters were killed in 1999 after police officers failed to enforce a restraining order against her estranged husband, appeared before the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights in Washington, D.C., October 22, to make her declaration in the merits stage of the case. The case, *Jessica Ruth Gonzales v. United States of America*, which has been championed by Columbia Law School's Human Rights Clinic and the American Civil Liberties Union, seeks nothing less than to change the way police departments across the country respond to domestic disputes.



In 2005, the U.S. Supreme Court told Ms. Lenahan that she had no recourse under the 14th Amendment against the government for its failure to enforce the restraining order and protect her family. The ruling came in response to a lawsuit she had filed against the Colorado municipality whose police department had largely ignored Lenahan's pleas for help after her husband had abducted her three daughters.

But the Supreme Court was not the end of the road for Lenahan's case.

The Law School's involvement began when Caroline Bettinger-López, who is the deputy director of Columbia Law's Human Rights Institute, joined the faculty in 2006 from the American Civil Liberties Union. She had assisted with coordinating the briefing of Lenahan's case before the Supreme Court and brought the case with her to Columbia.

Over the past three years, more than 20 students from Columbia Law School's Human Rights Clinic have helped prepare Lenahan's case for a hearing before the Commission. This fall, Caroline Bettinger-López and Professor Rosenblum are being aided by students Darren Sullivan '09, Zoe Pershing-Foley '10, Aliza Hochman '09, Chinyere Ezie '10, Alma Beltran '09 LL.M., Crystal Lopez '09, Anne Gell '09 and Shilpi Agarwal '09 alongside co-counsel Steven Watt, Lenora Lapidus, Emily Martin and Araceli Martínez-Olguin of the American Civil Liberties Union.





Washington University Law School's Interdisciplinary Environmental Clinic's Work Results in New EPA Lead Standard

Students, faculty, and staff in the Interdisciplinary Environmental Clinic (IEC) were instrumental in bringing about a new ambient air standard for lead. The EPA's new national standard is a direct result of a lawsuit the IEC filed in federal court on behalf of the Missouri Coalition for the Environment and former Herculaneum residents in 2004. People living in Herculaneum, Missouri have been, in particular, exposed to high levels of ambient air lead contamination as an industrial by-product.

The new standard, announced last month, on October 16, 2008, is one-tenth of the old standard, which was set in 1978. The previous standard long ago ceased to protect public health, as the Clean Air Act requires. The clinic originally filed the lawsuit to force review of the standard and participated actively in each step of the review process. Teams of law, medical and environmental studies and engineering students over the years have worked on the case with clinic attorneys, environmental engineers, and scientists. Law students prepared briefs and argued in federal district court. Medical and undergraduate environmental studies and engineering students prepared detailed written comments critiquing the highly technical documents prepared by the EPA throughout the review.

IEC director Maxine Lipeles thinks the rule should have been better, but notes that it is still a dramatic improvement that will positively affect the health and welfare of the public, and especially children who are particularly vulnerable to lead poisoning.



Twenty Questions: Social Justice Quiz 2008

(Answers Below)

By Bill Quigley. Bill is a human rights lawyer and law professor at Loyola University New Orleans. He can be reached at quigley77@gmail.com

1. How many deaths are there world-wide each year due to acts of terrorism?
2. How many deaths are there world-wide each day due to poverty and malnutrition?
3. In 1965, CEOs in major companies made 24 times more than the average worker. In 1980, CEOs made 40 times more than the average worker. In 2007, CEOs earned how many times more than the average worker?
4. In how many of the over 3000 cities and counties in the US can a full-time worker who earns minimum wage afford to pay rent and utilities on a one-bedroom apartment?
5. In 1968, the minimum wage was \$1.65 per hour. How much would the minimum wage be today if it had kept pace with inflation since 1968?
6. True or false? People in the United States spend nearly twice as much on pet food as the US government spends on aid to help foreign countries.
7. How many people in the world live on \$2 a day or less?
8. How many people in the world do not have electricity?
9. People in the US consume 42 kilograms of meat per person per year. How much meat and grain do people in India and China eat?
10. How many cars does China have for every 1000 drivers? India? The U.S.?
11. How much grain is needed to fill a SUV tank with ethanol?
12. According to the Wall Street Journal, the richest 1% of Americans earns what percent of the nation's adjusted gross income? 5%? 10%? 15%? 20%?
13. How many people does our government say are homeless in the US on any given day?
14. What percentage of people in homeless shelters are children?
15. How many veterans are homeless on any given night?
16. The military budget of the United States in 2008 is the largest in the world at \$623 billion per year. How much larger is the US military budget than that of China, the second largest in the world?
17. The US military budget is larger than how many of the countries of the rest of the world combined?
18. Over the 28 year history of the Berlin Wall, 287 people perished trying to cross it. How many people have died in the last 4 years trying to cross the border between Arizona and Mexico?
19. India is ranked second in the world in gun ownership with 4 guns per 100 people. China is third with 3 firearms per 100 people. Which country is first and how many guns do they own?
20. What country leads the world in the incarceration of its citizens?





Answers to Social Justice Quiz 2008

1. 22,000. The U.S. State Department reported there were more than 22,000 deaths from terrorism last year. Over half of those killed or injured were Muslims. Source: Voice of America, May 2, 2008. "Terrorism Deaths Rose in 2007."
2. About 25,000 people die every day of hunger or hunger-related causes, according to the United Nations. Poverty.com – Hunger and World Poverty. Every day, almost 16,000 children die from hunger-related causes – one child every five seconds. Bread for the World. Hunger Facts: International.
3. Today's average CEO from a Fortune 500 company makes 364 times an average worker's pay and over 70 times the pay of a four-star Army general. Executive Excess 2007, page 7, jointly published by Institute for Policy Studies and United for Fair Economy, August 29, 2007. 1965 numbers from State of Working America 2004-2005, Economic Policy Institute.
4. In no city or county in the entire USA can a full-time worker who earns minimum wage afford even a one bedroom rental. The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) urges renters not to pay more than 30% of their income in rent. HUD also reports the fair market rent for each of the counties and cities in the US. Nationally, in order to rent a 2 bedroom apartment, one full-time worker in 2008 must earn \$17.32 per hour. In fact, 81% of renters live in cities where the Fair Market Rent for a two bedroom rental is not even affordable with two minimum wage jobs. Source: Out of Reach 2007-2008, April 7, 2008, National Low-Income Housing Coalition.
5. Calculated in real (inflation adjusted) dollars, the 1968 minimum wage would have been worth \$9.83 in 2007 dollars. Andrew Tobias, January 16, 2008. The federal minimum wage is \$6.55 per hour effective July 24, 2008 and \$7.25 per hour effective July 24, 2009.
6. True. The USA spends \$43.4 billion on pet food annually. Source: American Pet Products Manufacturers Association, Inc. The USA spent \$23.5 billion in official foreign aid in 2006. The government of the USA gave the most of any country in the world in actual dollars. As a percentage of gross national income, the USA came in second to last among OECD donor countries and ranked number 20 at 0.18 percent behind Sweden at 1.02 percent and other countries such as Norway, Netherlands, Ireland, United Kingdom, Austria, France, Germany, Spain, Canada, New Zealand, Japan and others. This does not count private donations which, if included, may move the USA up as high as 6th. The Index of Global Philanthropy 2008, page 15, 19.
7. The World Bank reported in August 2008 that 2.6 billion people consume less than \$2 a day. <http://siteresources.worldbank.org/DEC/Resources/Poverty-Brief-in-English.pdf>
8. World-wide, 1.6 billion people do not have electricity. 2.5 billion people use wood, charcoal or animal dung for cooking. United Nations Human Development Report 2007/2008, pages 44-45.
9. People in the US lead the world in meat consumption at 42 kg per person per year compared to 1.6 kg in India and 5.9 kg in China. People in the US consume five times the grain (wheat, rice, rye, barley, etc.) as people in India, three times as much as people in China, and twice as much as people in Europe. "THE BLAME GAME: Who is behind the world food price crisis," Oakland Institute, July 2008.
10. China has 9 cars for every 1000 drivers. India has 11 cars for every 1000 drivers. The US has 1114 cars for every 1000 drivers. Iain Carson and Vijay V. Vaitheeswaran, Zoom: The Global Race to Fuel the Car of the Future (2007).
11. The grain needed to fill up a SUV tank with ethanol could feed a hungry person for a year. Lester Brown, CNN.Money.com, August 16, 2006

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12. “According to the figures, the richest 1% reported 22% of the nation's total adjusted gross income in 2006. That is up from 21.2% a year earlier, and is the highest in the 19 years that the IRS has kept strictly comparable figures. The 1988 level was 15.2%. Earlier IRS data show the last year the share of income belonging to the top 1% was at such a high level as it was in 2006 was in 1929, but changes in measuring income make a precise comparison difficult.” Jesse Drucker, “Richest Americans See Their Income Share Grow,” Wall Street Journal, July 23, 2008, page A3.
 13. 754,000 are homeless. About 338,000 homeless people are not in shelters (live on the streets, in cars, or in abandoned buildings) and 415,000 are in shelters on any given night. 2007 U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Annual Homeless Report to Congress, page iii and 23. The population of San Francisco is about 739,000.
 14. HUD reports nearly 1 in 4 people in homeless shelters are children 17 or younger. Page iv – 2007 HUD Annual Homeless Report to Congress.
 15. Over 100,000 veterans are homeless on any given night. About 18 percent of the adult homeless population is veterans. Page 32, 2007 HUD Homeless Report. This is about the same population as Green Bay Wisconsin.
 16. Ten times. China’s military budget is \$65 billion. The US military budget is nearly 10 times larger than the second leading military spender. GlobalSecurity.org
 17. The US military budget of \$623 billion is larger than the budgets of all the countries in the rest of the world put together. The total global military budget of the rest of the world is \$500 billion. Russia’s military budget is \$50 billion, South Korea’s is \$21 billion, and Iran’s is \$4.3 billion. GlobalSecurity.org
 18. 1268. At least 1268 people have died along the border of Arizona and Mexico since 2004. The Arizona Daily Star keeps track of the reported deaths along the state border and reports 214 died in 2004, 241 in 2005, 216 in 2006, 237 in 2007, and 116 as of July 31, 2008. These numbers do not include the deaths along the California or Texas border. The Border Patrol reported that 400 people died in fiscal 2206-2007, 453 died in 2004-2005, and 494 died in 2004-2005. Source Associated Press, November 8, 2007.
 19. The US is first in gun ownership world-wide with 90 guns for every 100 citizens. Laura MacInnis, “US most armed country with 90 guns per 100 people.” Reuters, August 28, 2007.
 20. The US jails 751 inmates per 100,000 people, the highest rate in the world. Russia is second with 627 per 100,000. England’s rate is 151, Germany is 88, and Japan is 63. The US has 2.3 million people behind bars, more than any country in the world. Adam Liptak, “Inmate Count in US Dwarfs Other Nations” NYT, April 23, 2008.



AMONG US

Town Hall Meeting

Two days after the 2008 Presidential Election, the Georgetown Law Center Juvenile Justice Clinic and the American Bar Association's Juvenile Justice Committee hosted a Town Hall Meeting in Washington, DC. With representatives from President-elect Obama's administration, state administrators, and academics. A.B.A. Committee Co-chair Professor Charles Ogletree moderated the discussion.

Over 150 advocates, lawyers, policy makers, community activists, students and media representatives presented bi-partisan recommendations and ideas to the new administration to help develop juvenile justice priorities for the new administration

The Town Hall can be viewed on the Georgetown Juvenile Justice Clinic Website <http://www.law.georgetown.edu/clinics/jjc/index.html>

Wake Forest University School of Law

First, we have a new clinical program, the Community Law and Business Clinic, headed up by Clinical Professor Steve Virgil, formerly of Creighton University. <http://law.wfu.edu/clinics/community/> The new clinic will provide students with transactional experience working with nonprofit community development organizations and emerging businesses in low-wealth communities. Nonprofits working on low-income housing and asset development have been identified as the new clinic's first client base, while current plans anticipate serving for-profit businesses within the first year. The new clinic will deliver multi-disciplinary services by accessing Wake Forest's resources in the Babcock School of Business, allowing for a richer, and more realistic, clinical experience for students and greater value to clients.

Carol Turowski, formerly of Case Western Reserve and Hofstra Law Schools, will be directing the Wake Forest Innocence Project this fall. The project will investigate claims of innocence by inmates to determine if DNA evidence exists which could lead to their exoneration. We invite you to join us in celebrating Carol Turowski's arrival. Later in the year, attorney Mark Rabil will join Carol, as Co-Director of the Innocence Project. Rabil successfully represented a man who was imprisoned for almost 20 years, as shown in the 2006 HBO documentary, "The Trials of Darryl Hunt."



U.S. SUPREME COURT JUSTICE RUTH BADER GINSBURG CUTS RIBBON ON WILLAMETTE CLINICAL LAW PROGRAM'S NEW HOME

SALEM, Ore. — On Sept. 12, 2008, Willamette University College of Law welcomed U.S. Supreme Court Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg to campus for two days of events with students, faculty and friends. Ginsburg participated in a ribbon-cutting ceremony during the dedication of the law school's new Oregon Civic Justice Center, the new home of Willamette's Clinical Law Program.

Held on the front steps of the newly renovated building, the event drew more than 100 people, who gathered to witness this important milestone in the law school's history. The crowd was welcomed by College of Law Dean Symeon C. Symeonides, who had the honor of inviting Ginsburg to cut the ribbon, officially opening the Oregon Civic Justice Center. Following the ribbon cutting, Ginsburg was asked to unveil a plaque on the front of the structure — which honored her role in the dedication of the building.



"I never expected my name would be part of this beautiful edifice," Ginsburg said. "With enormous appreciation, I wish all users of this building well in their important mission to advance justice in our land."

Located on the corner of State and Winter streets, the stately structure has a rich history in Salem. Opened in 1912, the building originally served as Salem's first public library. Willamette bought the building in 2003, and the College of Law has spent more than \$4 million and one year renovating the structure with generous assistance from donors and foundation grants. In addition to the Clinical Law Program, the new Oregon Civic Justice Center houses several law school programs that help connect Willamette with state government and the broader Salem community.

The new Clinical Law Program facilities include connected observation and interview rooms with sound and recording devices to allow students' work to be recorded and played back for review and feedback. The clinical space also has three open work rooms with modular furniture to allow the students to work individually or collaboratively. It has secure doors with keycard access, reception space, on-site file storage, six faculty offices, student lockers and a shared conference room."

"Willamette University College of Law established itself as a pioneer of clinical legal education in 1947, when it founded one of the first legal aid clinics in the West," said Professor Warren H. Binford, director of Willamette's Clinical Law Program. "Today, it has reestablished itself as a leader in legal education and community service by devoting one of the most distinguished law school facilities in Oregon entirely to community service."

Willamette's Clinical Law Program enables students to represent real clients in actual cases and transactions under the close supervision of law faculty. The program instills in students a strong sense of professionalism, standards of excellence, and an appreciation for the importance of reflection and balance in the practice of law. The Clinical Law Program includes specialized clinics in business law, trusts and estates, sustainability law, child and family advocacy, law and government, and international human rights.





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 College of Law

Greetings from the foothills of the great Smoky Mountains. We've had a busy stretch here. First and foremost, we are thrilled to have Doug Blaze on board as our new Dean. He started August 1st after two years as our Associate Dean for Academic



Doug Blaze

Affairs and twelve years as our director of clinical programs. Doug's been a lifelong advocate for (and practitioner of) clinical legal education, and we think our strong program will reach new heights under his leadership. At the SEALS Conference this summer Doug presented on a panel entitled "Revamping the Law School Curriculum," and he has some very innovative ideas about how to make Tennessee, a school that prides itself on teaching law AND training lawyers, even more effective. There will surely be more on that, so stay tuned.

Speaking of the SEALS Conference, Ben Barton and Mae Quinn are organizing a meeting of the revived Southeastern Clinicians Regional Workshop at next years SEALS Conference. We will have a full day of panels on Friday, August 7th at the Ritz Carlton Palm Beach. Our tentative list of presenters include Kimberly Bart, Ben Barton, Tucker Carrington, Kim Connolly, Andrea Dennis, Michele Drumb, Margareth Etienne, Kris Henning, Emily Hughes, Sue Kay, Kate Kruse, Karla McKanders, David Patton, Michael Pinard, Mae Quinn, Dean Rivkin, Leticia Saucedo, and Paula Williams. Obviously we're really excited about this group, and look forward to a great meeting. We also look forward to the Atlantic Ocean breezes, and we'd love to have you join us, so keep that week clear if you can.



Jerry Black

We are very proud to announce that our colleague Jerry Black won the Pro Bono Special Honoree Award from Legal Aid of East Tennessee ("LAET"). During Jerry's time here at UT the legal clinic (which he promises is shorter than our 61 years of existence) the clinic has served as both the legal aid society for Knox County, and the public defender's office. For a stretch in the 1980s Jerry was director of clinics here as well as executive director of the Knoxville Legal Aid Society. As the legal aid director he began the legal aid *pro bono* project. Twenty-five years later LAET returned to their roots and honoured Jerry for all of his exceptional work on their behalf from then until now. For those who are counting, in the last few years Jerry has won awards from LAET, the Knox County criminal bar, and the Tennessee Association of Criminal Defense Attorneys. We are all extremely proud of these well-deserved honours.

Mae Quinn continues to amaze with her energy and efforts. This semester she's taking a "light" load, which for Mae means teaching 1st year criminal law and a juvenile law practicum that seeks to reform Tennessee juvenile transfer policies. In addition to having her self-designated "Task Force" work on systemic issues, Mae and her students will provide some direct services to prisoners incarcerated for alleged crimes of their youth. As Chair of Juvenile Justice Committee of the Tennessee Association of



Mae Quinn





Criminal Defense Attorneys (TACDL), this summer Mae gave talks at CLE programs on juvenile justice issues and helped organize "Dismantling the School to Prison Pipeline in Tennessee: Arming Youth Advocates with Strategies for Change," a two-day conference that drew nearly 100 attendees from across the state this summer. Mae has also been awarded a Fulbright Senior Specialist grant to assist the Catholic University of Honduras with its clinical legal education program and juvenile justice efforts, making her first trip to Honduras this past July.



Becky Jacobs

Becky Jacobs continues her inexorable move into clinical faculty-dom. She's long run our excellent mediation clinic in the Spring, and this Fall she's started up an environmental clinic. The Environmental Practicum offers students a unique opportunity to work on sustainable growth and development issues in Tennessee. Law students work with graduate students from ecology, environmental design, wildlife ecology, and other disciplines to create comprehensive habitat conservation plans. This allows students and faculty to work with other disciplines in integrated environmental decision-making and problem-solving thus improving their ability to understand, communicate with, and influence other disciplines. All this, plus our mediation clinic's 15th anniversary will keep Becky plenty busy this year.

Paula Williams is busy as always. She is busily working on the planning committee for the 2009 Clinical Conference in Cleveland, and took the time to attend the Georgetown teaching workshop this summer, which she loved. The Business Clinic continues to flourish, and Paula, Ben, and Amy Hess have begun discussions on starting a wills clinic as well.



Paula Williams



Dean Rivkin

Dean Rivkin is visiting at American this Fall, but his CAN LEARN Project is continuing to provide amazing information and work for families in Tennessee who have disabled children in public schools (<http://www.lawschoolconsortium.net/members/models/univoftn.html>). Dean works closely with the CAN LEARN Fellow, Barbara Dyer, to organize monthly meetings of local attorneys, judges and educators, to send out regular emails on changes in the law, and to refer potential clients to local lawyers. The project has been an enormous success on both the micro level of helping individuals and on the macro level of changing school policies and procedures.

Karla McKanders is here and working hard in our Advocacy Clinic. Mae Quinn has already roped her in to various juvenile court reform projects, and she's taken a few immigration and asylum cases for the first time here at Tennessee, so she has certainly hit the ground running.



Karla McKanders



Ben Barton

Ben Barton is settling into his second year as Director. He helped organize a panel entitled "An Overview of American Clinical Legal Education" for the 2008 SEALS Conference's all day Mexican Curricular Reform Project. Ben presented along with Matt Fraiden, Mae Quinn, and Steve Singer. He also presented on a panel entitled "Promoting Faculty Scholarship: What Kind Of Scholarship Should Be Promoted?" and had the gall to ask whether a





necessary first question was “Why are we doing what we’re doing?” In September Ben had the good fortune to see many friends and fellow clinicians at the UW Future of Legal Education conference. Ben joined his Tennessee colleagues George Kuney, and Joan Heminway for a panel arguing that the Business School Case Method is pedagogically superior to the law school case method. He also managed to finally publish his empirical study in the Journal of Empirical Studies looking for a correlation between teaching and scholarship. It can be found on SSRN here: http://papers.ssrn.com/sol3/papers.cfm?abstract_id=913421.

We’re also pleased to note that in the last year we had approximately 2/3 of our graduating class take a Clinic or an Externship. Nevertheless, the goal is to reach 100%, and we think we’ll be there in the near future. We’ll keep you posted along the way.

Center for Families, Children and the Courts Breaks New Ground in Unified Family Court Training and Other Projects

The University of Baltimore School of Law Center for Families, Children and the Courts (CFCC) is working on several new and continuing initiatives this Fall. In addition, second and third year law students enrolled in the CFCC Student Fellows Program are involved in two major projects linked to Maryland’s ongoing emphasis on family court reform.

CFCC Student Fellows have completed two literature surveys that address several high-priority issues for the Maryland Administrative Office of the Courts (AOC). One literature survey focuses on parent education programs and supervised visitation; the other looks at child custody evaluations, particularly in contested custody proceedings. The goal of the projects is to supply the AOC Department of Family Administration with current information about the structural and procedural components of each area in the context of family court proceedings. CFCC Student Fellows have drafted a final report for each survey that includes analysis, an annotated bibliography of articles, and recommendations for best practices. The final report also identifies significant gaps in the literature for each topic.

CFCC has published the fifth edition of its newsletter, the Unified Family Court Connection. The Fall 2008 issue includes articles devoted to unified family court (UFC) implementation as applied to two different jurisdictions. Hon. Howard Lipsey, a Rhode Island family court judge, writes about how the nation’s first UFC manages family law matters with maximum efficiency. Hon. Bobbe Bridge, president of the Center for Children and Youth Justice and former Washington State Supreme Court Justice, and Hon. Paula Casey, a Thurston County (Washington) Superior Court judge, contribute two articles about Washington’s UFC initiatives. The Unified Family Court Connection is mailed to 2,000 judges, attorneys, court administrators, law school faculty, legislators, and other family court experts around the country.





CFCC, in collaboration with the National Center for State Courts (NCSC), will develop and present a two-day Unified Family Court (UFC) workshop in December for the New Mexico court system. CFCC and NCSC will provide training and information to invited judges, court administrators and staff, attorneys, and services providers. The workshop will cover areas central to the development and implementation of UFCs, including their history, physical attributes, operation, advantages, evaluation, court services, and challenges.



Barbara Babb

Professor Barbara Babb, CFCC’s Director, and CFCC Senior Fellows Gloria Danziger and Judith Moran are guest editors of the April 2009 special issue of the Family Court Review, the journal of the Association of Family and Conciliation Courts (AFCC) published in cooperation with Hofstra University School of Law. The special issue is devoted to articles on substance abuse as it relates to family law cases.

CFCC will host its inaugural “Urban Child Symposium” on April 2, 2009. The symposium will be an annual event at the University of Baltimore School of Law to raise awareness of critical problems facing children and their families in our cities. Entitled "Solving the Drop-out Crisis: Getting the Other Half to Attend and Achieve," the first symposium will address truancy and high school drop-out and graduation rates. Presenters and participants will discuss issues such as the context of urban



Gloria Danziger



Judith Moran

children’s lives, the causes and consequences of truancy, the impact of truancy on graduation rates and the school system generally, and interventions for truant students and their families to facilitate improved school attendance and performance. Confirmed speakers include, among others: Dr. Andres Alonso, Chief Executive Officer of the Baltimore City Public Schools; Dr. Ken Seeley, President and Chief Executive Officer of the National Center for School Engagement; The Honorable Catherine Curran O’Malley, First Lady of Maryland; and Dr. Robert Balfanz, Research Scientist, Center for Social Organization of Schools, Johns Hopkins University.

CFCC’s successful Truancy Court Program (TCP) is underway once again in six Baltimore City public schools. As in the past, CFCC Student Fellows actively participate in the TCP as members of the school-based TCP teams, led by Baltimore City Circuit and District Court judges who volunteer their time to act as on-site TCP judges. The TCP continues to increase substantially school attendance and academic performance for children enrolled in the voluntary program.

For further information about CFCC and any of its initiatives, or if you would like a copy of the Unified Family Court Connection, please contact Professor Barbara Babb at 410-837-5661; bbabb@ubalt.edu; or consult CFCC’s Web site at: www.law.ubalt.edu/cfcc/





University of Connecticut School of Law Faculty Changes



Margaret Martin

Margaret Martin has joined the University of Connecticut School of Law as the William R. Davis Teaching Fellow in the Asylum and Human Rights Clinic. Margaret previously served in the Antitrust Bureau at the New York State Attorney General's office, where she litigated cases and ran the Bureau's legal internship program. Before that, she spent a year in Tashkent, Uzbekistan, managing a law reform program for the American Bar Association's Central European and Eurasian Law Initiative, including the establishment of a national public defender network and civil legal services program. She has also practiced with Kaye Scholer, where her litigation work included pro bono immigration and death penalty cases, and Richards Spears Kibbe & Orbe; and was clerk to the Honorable Frederick S. van Antwerpen in the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania. In 2007-2008, she also worked part-time as a public interest career counselor at her *alma mater*, Columbia Law School.



Michelle Caldera

In the summer of 2008, the Asylum and Human Rights Clinic at the University of Connecticut School of Law bid a fond farewell to Michelle Caldera, who served as the William R. Davis Clinical Teaching Fellow from 2004-2008. Michelle has joined the clinical faculty at Touro Law School, in the Civil Rights Litigation Clinic. At UConn, Michelle showed herself to be a wonderful clinical supervisor and classroom teacher as well as a passionate advocate for her clients. In addition to her work in the Asylum Clinic, where she made a specialty of taking on impossible-to-win cases and getting students to win them, Michelle taught non-clinical courses in refugee law and international human rights, and served as a resource and inspiration for students interested in public interest careers.

CLEPR 40TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION AT AALS ANNUAL MEETING

Some 40 years ago the Council on Legal Education and Professional Responsibility (CLEPR) began making nearly 11 million dollars in grants to law schools across the country to establish live-client clinics, effectively starting modern clinical legal education. A committee composed of delegates from the AALS Clinical Section, CLEA and the ABA Section on Legal Education will host a dinner celebrating CLEPR'S 40th anniversary on Wednesday, January 7th during the AALS's Annual Meeting in San Diego. At the Celebration we will honor William Pincus, CLEPR's President, and early CLEPR pioneer the Honorable Dorothy W. Nelson of the 9th Circuit Court of Appeals. The evening's program will include a keynote address from Erwin Chemerinsky, founding dean of University of California Irvine School of Law, and a short film on CLEPR by Prof. Sandy Ogilvy, Columbus School of Law. The Celebration is made possible by the financial support of over 30 law schools and is tied to that afternoon's Annual Meeting session by the AALS Clinical Legal Education and Professional Responsibility Sections entitled: Celebrating and Reflecting on CLEPR: What Have We Learned About Legal Education and Where are We Headed.

The Celebration is being held just a short walk away from the Annual Meeting in the heart of San Diego's Gaslamp District. Admission is a mere \$27.50, which is quite the bargain for a multi-course dinner, a complimentary drink, and dancing in downtown San Diego. Seating is limited and we expect to sell out quickly. For more details on CLEPR, the Celebration, and how to purchase your tickets, please visit:

<<http://www.CSALE.org/CLEPR.html>>





UW School of Law

UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON LAW SCHOOL CLINICAL LAW PROGRAM

From September 5 - 7, the “Conference on Legal Education at the Crossroads: Ideas to Implementation” brought law school educators from throughout the nation and Canada to the University of Washington Law School in Seattle. Curriculum reevaluation and innovation were the foci of the Conference. Over 90 presenters and discussants showcased innovative legal education techniques and methods. Participants from 80 law schools attended the workshops and showcase presentation sessions. Presenters from the UW Law School (“UWLS”) were Professors Dwight Drake, Tom Andrews, Tom Cobb, Theo Myhre, and Michelle Storms. Conference participants discussed program assessment and institutional processes for curriculum reform in light of the Carnegie Foundation’s report, *Educating Lawyers: Preparation for the Profession of Law*, and the Clinical Legal Education Association’s *Best Practices of Legal Education: A Vision and a Road Map* by Prof. Roy Stuckey, et al. Prof. Deborah Maranville, Director of the UWLS **Clinical Law Program** and the Unemployment Compensation Clinic, chaired the conference planning committee (other members were Dean Ed Rubin, Vanderbilt University, Prof. and former Dean Judith Wegner, University of North Carolina, Professors Roberto Corrada, University of Denver, Michael Schwartz, Washburn University, Paula Lustbader, Seattle University and Alice Thomas, Howard University School of Law). Debbie notes, “This is an exciting time in legal education; because of the widespread interest, we opened the Conference to a wider audience than originally anticipated. We hope the conference will be a catalyst for implementing curriculum reform and legal education improvements in law schools around the country.” Additional details, podcasts and conference papers are available online at:

http://files.law.washington.edu/open/Crossroads_Conference/default/html

A gift of real property and an additional \$250,000 bequest will provide substantial assistance for educating University of Washington Law School students in alternative dispute resolution. The Honorable Gerard M. Shellan, recently retired from the King County Superior Court, arranged for these generous contributions through his estate plan. In discussions with students, he emphasized the benefits of mediation and the distinctions between trial preparation and preparing for mediation. Judge Shellan stated, “Alternative dispute resolution is now an equal part of the judicial system and handles more cases than public courts. The **Mediation Clinic** is giving us new lawyers who are prepared for this component of our court system.” Prof. Julia Gold, Director of the Mediation Clinic, stressed the importance of this gift in providing stable funding in the future and increasing the capability of the Clinic to serve the public and to provide law students with practical experience as mediators in disputes arising in the local community. Each year, two sections of eight students each are supervised by Julia and Prof. Alan Kirtley. Starting in different quarters, these sections maximize opportunities for second and third year students to learn the principles of mediation and to put their learning to work mediating disputes in the community.





Prof. Michael Robinson-Dorn, Director of the **Kathy and Steve Berman Environmental Law Clinic** at the University of Washington Law School, is executive producer of *The Third Trustee: Native Alaska and the Big Spill*, a documentary film about the continuing impact of the Exxon Valdez oil spill in Prince William Sound and the efforts of native Alaskans to enforce accountability for the continuing harm being experienced in the region. The Berman Clinic represented the interests of native Alaskans in seeking a re-opening of the federal lawsuit to enforce liability of ExxonMobil for ongoing damages. In the film, UWLS Prof. William Rodgers discusses the serious environmental issues associated with the oil spill. Billy Frank, Jr., was awarded a Northwest Regional Emmy as host of the film and photographers Kevin Ely and Kirk Miller were Emmy nominees.

The Pacific Coast Banking School (PCBS) sponsors annual awards to University of Washington Law School faculty and staff to recognize “outstanding efforts and contributions that exemplify the qualities of inspiration, collaboration, creativity, service excellence or commitment.” The **Clinical Law Program** is pleased to have two of its own among those selected to receive these SCALE Awards (Staff Commitment Advances Legal Education). Together with other Law School recipients, Prof. Jacqueline McMurtrie, Director of the Innocence Project Northwest Clinic, and Harold Daniels, Clinics Program Support Supervisor, were recognized at a luncheon where David A. Enger, Executive Director and CEO of PCBS, presented certificates, trophies and \$1,000 monetary prizes to each recipient.

Operated in conjunction with the Northwest Immigrant Rights Project, Washington’s primary provider of immigration legal services for low-income immigrants and refugees, the **Immigration Law Clinic’s** eight students are supervised by Director Signe Dortch, at the Project’s Seattle offices. As with other clinics of the Clinical Law Program at the University of Washington Law School, the Clinic’s students assume responsibilities for their clients’ legal problems and they dedicate much time and effort to resolving them. Below, a client of the Immigration Law Clinic describes his experiences:

Before I started working with the law students, Karl [Smith] and Danielle [Doyle], assigned to my asylum case, I was nervous because they were not yet lawyers. I worried that they would not know enough about U.S. asylum law to represent me. Karl and Danielle explained that after they met with Signe [Dortch], they would work together to make a plan for my case. They said they also expected to do a lot of research on their own about the situation in the country where I am from. Karl and Danielle are very different, but their styles fit together nicely. It was clear to me how much they respected each other and how well they worked together. They asked me a lot of detailed questions, and were determined to understand every aspect of my case. The asylum application Karl and Danielle assembled on my behalf was around 200 pages. I was amazed. When I read the articles they had gathered, I wondered, where did they find all this information? I learned later that they spent hours researching the situation in my country for those the government perceives to be opponents, like me. I believe a class like the UW's Immigration Law Clinic is a wonderful idea. Not only do people like





me get help, but students like Karl and Danielle learn how to be good lawyers and fight for their clients. My mom was so happy when I got the notice from Immigration that my asylum case was approved. She is relieved that now, I am safe. My plan is to find a job so that I can earn money to start attending school. I will never forget the Immigration Law Clinic or Karl and Danielle.

Once again, the **Federal Tax Clinic** has received the highest grant award available from the IRS, allowing continuation of high quality representation to eligible taxpayers in western Washington. The Clinic is located at the University of Washington Law School in Seattle. Under the direction of Prof. Scott Schumacher, in addition to handling tax controversies in administrative and judicial venues, the Clinic conducts outreach to those in the community speaking English as a second language (ESL). In the past academic year nine workshops and educational programs were held by Clinic students; there were contacts with more than 200 ESL taxpayers. Over 800 taxpayers received direct representation from the Clinic through Scott and the 14 JD and LLM students enrolled in the year-long Clinic. Tax issues addressed by the Clinic include: liens, innocent spouse claims, dependency exemptions, earned income tax credit, offers in compromise, installment agreements and start-up business deductions.

Winter quarter 2008 saw a legislative review component added to the **Children and Youth Advocacy Clinic** (CAYAC). Prof. Kim Ambrose, Acting Director of CAYAC, and Pam Crone supervised three students who, in conjunction with the Washington State Bar Association's Juvenile Law Section, analyzed proposed legislation relating to juvenile justice, child welfare and truancy and reported their results to the Section. Because of student interest and success of this effort, a three quarter, twelve credit, course in legislative advocacy was launched autumn quarter. Taught by Pam and Kim, the course is open to a larger number of students with an interest in the legislative process. Other CAYAC students scored victories for their young clients in court. In spring quarter, students secured a court judgment for their teenage client whose father had misappropriated and squandered the youth's inheritance from the deceased mother. The court also removed the father as the client's guardian to avoid any potential for further detrimental actions. Further court efforts to recover the youth's funds are underway in conjunction with pro bono private counsel.

Tim Jaasko-Fisher, Assistant Director of the **Court Improvement Training Academy** (CITA) located within the University of Washington School of Law Clinical Law Program, has been very busy organizing and supporting trainings throughout Washington on issues found in the child welfare legal system. Funded by the Washington State Administrative Office of the Courts, CITA operates under the umbrella of the UWLS Children and Youth Advocacy Clinic, directed by Associate Dean Lisa Kelly. In its first year of operation CITA has helped to support 25 trainings attended by a total of more than 1000 participants. Training topics have included infant mental health, substance abuse issues, parent-child visitation, racial disproportionality in foster care, and adolescent brain development. Several of the trainings already presented may be viewed online and downloaded through UW Television:

<http://uwtv.org/programs/displayseries.aspx?fid=5500> .





Recent trainings include “Child Welfare in Indian Country: The Ins and Outs,” a collaborative effort with the Suquamish Tribal Court. Scheduled trainings, resource materials, a listserv, links and other useful information are available at:

<http://www.uwcita.org> .

As part of their Clinic curriculum, students enrolled in the **Refugee and Immigrant Advocacy Clinic** design and implement projects to address systemic issues relating to poverty or the delivery of legal services. In conjunction with the Northwest Justice Project and supervised by Clinic Director Jill Dutton, students work with a variety of community entities to alleviate serious difficulties encountered by refugees and immigrants in Washington state. Projects undertaken in the past academic year include:

- Web-based training for doctors regarding medical documentation rules for obtaining a waiver of certain naturalization requirements for immigrants and refugees with disabilities;
- A joint effort with the Washington State Coalition for Language Access to create a statewide directory of interpreters;
- Creation of a training program and brochure for the immigrant community and DSHS staff concerning eligibility requirements for immigrants, particularly battered immigrant women, to receive public benefits-- the Washington State Department of Social and Health Services (DSHS) and Northwest Immigrant Rights Project are partners;
- Production of a brochure for victims of human trafficking setting out the legal process and rights associated with family law, unpaid wages, cooperation in criminal prosecutions of perpetrators, eligibility for public benefits and immigration status issues;
- A survey of Asian elders with the aid of a youth group to gather information that will assist in designing community education efforts and for enhancing the focus of pro bono legal assistance provided through the Asian Bar Association and the King County Bar Association.

The two-year-old **Entrepreneurial Law Clinic** (ELC) under Director Sean O’Connor, Faculty Advisor Prof. Richard Kummert and outgoing Program Director Katie Meyer, aggressively expanded student opportunities and public service through new collaborations with government and community organizations:

- Together with the Seattle Office of Policy and Management, the ELC will provide business and legal training to Somali and other immigrant business owners who are located along Martin Luther King Jr. Way; particularly those affected by Sound Transit’s light rail project in that area.
- Access to capital, business planning and legal assistance to low-income, women and minority entrepreneurs in distressed and underserved Washington communities is the focus of the collaboration with Community Capital Development.
- Partnering with Washington CASH, the ELC is assisting with business training and support to low-income women, people with disabilities, new immigrants and refugees who are engaged in self-employment ventures.
- The UW Institute of Translational Health Sciences and the ELC are working to facilitate more effective “bench to bedside” transitions of health sciences research into lifesaving products and services.





Joining the **Tribal Court Public Defense Clinic** as part time lecturer and supervising attorney, Brenda Williams is an additional asset to University of Washington law students. She also provides administrative assistance to the UW Law School’s Native American Law Center through fundraising and organizational supervision. Her background and experience include serving as a part-time Administrative Law Judge for the Office of Administrative Hearings, Employment Security Department, course instructor for the UW Paralegal Studies Certificate Program, staff attorney for The Defender Association. A UWLS alum, Brenda also earned her BA and Masters in Public Administration at the UW. Additional community-oriented activities include: serving on the Board of Governors and the Committee of Law Examiners of the Washington State Bar Association: the Minority and Justice Commission and holding seats on the boards of El Centro de La Raza and Seattle Central Community College Foundation.

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Naming of Clinic:



Viola Taliaferro

On October 3, Indiana Law honored Judge Viola J. Taliaferro (JD, IUB 1977) by dedicating the Viola J Taliaferro **Family and Children Mediation Clinic**. The clinic will continue Taliaferro’s vital work on behalf of children and families, providing a critical service to the community by working with low-income families to resolve paternity, child custody, and other issues in the best interests of the child. By training students to become certified family mediators, the clinic also helps address a pressing need in our society for legal professionals trained to deal with issues specific to children.

Presentation:

In May, Mark Need, Director of the Elmore Entrepreneurship Law Clinic, presented at the Emory School of Law’s conference, “Teaching Drafting and Transactional Skills: The Basics and Beyond.” Need’s presentations, “Drafting Engagement Letters” and “Avoiding Billing Profanities” addressed means by which to teach these practice skills to clinical students and interns.



Mark Need

Recognition:



Amy Applegate

Amy Applegate, clinical professor and director of the Viola J Taliaferro Family and Children Mediation Clinic, was honored October 2, with the 2008 Women in the Law Recognition Award. The award is presented by the Indiana State Bar Association to a female attorney in the state who has contributed to the legal profession as a whole or to a particular area of practice. The letter of nomination noted, “Amy has made a lasting substantial contribution to the legal profession. She has served as a mentor, teacher, and leader to female students, attorneys, and underrepresented females in the legal system and is an untiring inspiration to her students.





ALBANY LAW SCHOOL

Joseph Baum recently retired from his position as Director of the Litigation Clinic and has been appointed to the New York State Unemployment Insurance Benefits Appeals Board as a Principal Administrative Law Judge.



Joseph Connors

Joseph Connors, Director of Albany Law School's Health Law Clinic, was promoted to the position of Clinical Professor of Law, with a presumptively renewable five year contract.



Debbie Kearns

Debbie Kearns joined the law school faculty as a Visiting Assistant Clinical Professor and Director of the Low Income Taxpayer Clinic. She came to the law school from private practice where she represented individuals and for-profit and not-for-profit entities in tax planning, tax controversy and complex tax preparation matters. Professor Kearns started her legal career as an associate in the Private Clients department of White & Case, LLP, New York, N.Y., and most recently practiced as a senior associate attorney at Lavelle & Finn, LLP, in Latham, N.Y., where she has been since completion of her LL.M. in Taxation at New York University in 2005. Prior to joining the faculty, Professor Kearns taught Financial Planning for the Elderly as an adjunct professor at Albany Law School and has taught Corporate, Partnership and Trusts and Estates Taxation at The Sage Colleges. She has also lectured extensively on estate, income and gift taxation throughout her years in private practice. Professor Kearns is the Chair of the Taxation Committee of the Trusts and Estates Section of the New York State Bar Association and is an active member of the professional community through her participation on not-for-profit boards and committees and membership in various professional organizations.



Mary Lynch

Mary Lynch, Co-Director of the Albany Law Clinic & Justice Center, presented to the Committee on Legal Education and Admission to the Bar of the NYSBA on "Best Practices in Legal Education - the book, the BLOG, the movement" on Wednesday, September 10th in New York City at Debevoise & Plimpton, LLP. Professor Lynch was also the moderator for a conference on Tuesday, May 13, 2008 at the New York State Bar Association. The event was co-sponsored by the Fund for Modern Courts and the New York State Bar Association, and was titled "Challenges to Justice in Domestic Violence Cases in New York State: Gaps, Successes and the Future."

Kristofer Ostrom joined the Securities Arbitration Clinic as a Graduate Law Fellow in August 2008, after graduating from Albany Law School in May 2008. Kristofer was also a student intern in the Securities Arbitration Clinic during the 2007-2008 school term. Prior to attending Albany Law School, Kristofer graduated from the University of Chicago with a degree in Sociology. After graduation, he worked for T. Rowe Price in Colorado Springs, Colorado. At T. Rowe Price, he obtained his NASD Licenses as a mutual funds broker and eventually worked in their retirement accounting department, preparing various reports for auditors according to ERISA rules and guidelines.



Jeffrey Pearlman recently left his position as Director of the Low Income Taxpayer Clinic to serve as Assistant Counsel to Governor David Patterson.

Michele Poole, who recently completed a yearlong graduate fellowship in the Family Violence Litigation Clinic, is now a legal fellow for the New York State Unified Court System, clerking for Judge McGrath in Rensselaer County Supreme Court.



Laurie Shanks

Laurie Shanks, Clinical Professor of Law, received the Excellence in Service Award at Albany Law School's 157th Commencement Ceremony. Professor Shanks teaches CLE seminars and trial advocacy workshops throughout the nation. In addition, she has made significant contributions to the state and local bar, having served recently as a referee and hearing officer for the New York State Commission on Judicial Conduct; the Third Department's representative to the Criminal Justice Section of the New York State Bar Association; the New York State "Blue Ribbon" Task Force on Wrongful Conviction; and an active contributor to several bar committees, including New York State Chief Judge Judith Kaye's Commission on the Future of Indigent Defense; the New York State Bar Association's Special Committee to Ensure Quality of Mandated Representation; and the Capital District Women's Bar Association Committee on Judicial Screening and Rating.

Kathy Whelan, visiting associate clinical professor at Albany Law School since 2006, has accepted the position of Lawyering Professor.

DU Environmental Law Clinic

The DU Environmental Law Clinic is pleased to report that it has been asked to assist the Commission for Environmental Cooperation (CEC) in an effort to establish multiple environmental clinical programs at law schools in Mexico. The CEC is an international organization created by Canada, Mexico and the United States under the North American Agreement on Environmental Cooperation to address regional environmental concerns, help prevent potential trade and environmental conflicts, and to promote the effective enforcement of environmental law. Impressed by the recent efforts of DU environmental law students who successfully petition to the CEC to block a proposed natural pipeline from Mexico to Southern California, the CEC has launched a two-year initiative to assist Mexican environmental law professors and students launch local clinical programs. Mike Harris, Director of the DU Clinic, will participate in a day-long workshop designed to kick-off the initiative later this year entitled "Environmental Law Education: A clinical approach." Any environmental clinicians interested in learning more, or who may want to explore building a "sister" clinic relationship in Mexico, should contact Mike at mharris@law.du.edu.





ANNOUNCEMENTS

GEORGETOWN SUMMER INSTITUTE ON CLINICAL TEACHING -- SAVE THE DATE!

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U.S. SUPREME COURT JUSTICE RUTH BADER GINSBURG CUTS RIBBON ON WILLAMETTE CLINICAL LAW PROGRAM'S NEW HOME

SALEM, Ore. — On September 12, 2008, Willamette University College of Law welcomed U.S. Supreme Court Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg to campus for two days of events with students, faculty and friends. Ginsburg participated in a ribbon-cutting ceremony during the dedication of the law school's new Oregon Civic Justice Center, the new home of Willamette's Clinical Law Program.

Held on the front steps of the newly renovated building, the event drew more than 100 people, who gathered to witness this important milestone in the law school's history. The crowd was welcomed by College of Law Dean Symeon C. Symeonides, who had the honor of inviting Ginsburg to cut the ribbon, officially opening the Oregon Civic Justice Center. Following the ribbon cutting, Ginsburg was asked to unveil a plaque on the front of the structure — which honored her role in the dedication of the building.

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SAVE THE DATE
ABA/NLADA 2009 Equal Justice Conference

May 14-16, 2009
DoubleTree Hotel at the Entrance
to Universal Orlando, Orlando, Florida

Bringing together all components of the legal community to discuss equal justice issues related to the delivery of legal services to the poor and low-income individuals in need of legal assistance. Look for updates and register soon at www.equaljusticeconference.org

SALT Events

Don't miss these SALT Events in at the AALS Annual Meeting in San Diego:
SALT Cover Workshop <<http://saltlaw.org/events/salt-cover-workshop>>
Wed, 01/07/2009 - 8:00pm - 9:30pm

Thomas Jefferson School of Law
2120 San Diego Avenue, Room 200
San Diego, CA, 92110

Each year SALT convenes a Cover Workshop at the AALS Annual Meeting, bringing together faculty and practitioners to discuss important legal issues. This year the SALT Cover Workshop is titled: The Way Forward: The Post Election 2008 Progressive Agenda.

SALT Annual Dinner <<http://saltlaw.org/events/salt-annual-dinner>>
Fri, 01/09/2009 - 6:30pm
The Prado in Balboa Park
1549 El Prado
San Diego, CA, 92101

2009 SALT Great Teacher Award Steve Wizner
<<http://saltlaw.org/2009-salt-great-teacher-award>>

2009 M. Shanara Gilbert Human Rights Award Rhonda Copelon
<<http://saltlaw.org/2009-m-shanara-gilbert-human-rights-award>>

Washington University Clinical Affairs Program's 9th Annual Access to Justice Colloquium: Critical Perspectives on Court and Law Reform March 27, 2009

The conference builds on the substantive areas of Wash U's client-based legal clinics and community-based lessons of their work. It will include panels on Success and Failures in Children; Youth and Family Justice Reform; Critical and Ethical Perspectives in Interdisciplinary Practice, Pursuing Environmental Justice: Obstacles and Opportunities Using Intellectual Property to Preserve Access to Justice, Criminal Justice, and Domestic Violence.

Jane Spinak (Columbia) will be the keynote. Other speakers include: Mae Quinn (Tennessee), Marie Kenyon (St. Louis University); Adele Morrison (NIU, visiting at Wash U), Brendan Roediger (Wash U.), Leigh Goodmark (Baltimore), Helen Kang (Golden Gate), Liz Hubertz (Wash U.), Kathy Andria (American Bottom Conservancy); Doug Eller (Grace Hill Settlement House);, Michael Kwun (Electronic Frontier Foundation); David Deal (Wash. U); Chuck McManis (Wash U.)





AALS in San Diego

Please save Tuesday, January 6 from 4-7 if you are coming to the AALS in San Diego.

You are invited to a workshop to celebrate the launching of the Skills Training for Ethical and Preventive Practice and career Satisfaction (STEPPS) program, at California Western School of Law in San Diego, California.

Workshop: Technology, Ethics and the Practice of Law: Training the 21st Century Law Student

Speaker: Catherine Sanders Reach,
Director of the ABA Legal Technology Resource Center

Date: Tuesday, January 6, 2009
(eve of the AALS Annual Meeting in San Diego)

Time: 4:00-7:00 Presentation & Reception

Where: California Western School of Law, 350 Cedar St., San Diego, California

Of interest to: Deans, faculty, and staff involved in curricular reform, professional responsibility training, skills training and librarians. Transportation will be available between the AALS Conference Hotel and the Law School for this event.

PLEASE GO TO: <<https://www.kintera.org/site/apps/ka/rg/register.asp?c=pmL6KhNXLvH&b=4742575&en=kvJPI4MSIJTJ6MUKdKOKbP2JvK1IeOULiL5IhMXIpK0JiMaE>> TO REGISTER ON LINE FOR THIS FREE WORKSHOP

For more information about STEPPS, visit www.cwsl.edu/stepps <<https://webmail.cwsl.edu/exchweb/bin/redirect.asp?URL=http://www.cwsl.edu/stepps>> or see "The STEPPS Program Introduces Law Students To Real World Lawyering", <http://www.thecompletelawyer.com/volume4/issue4/article.php?ppaid=9475> <<http://www.thecompletelawyer.com/volume4/issue4/article.php?ppaid=9475>>

CSALE DATA IS HERE

The results of the Center for the Study of Applied Legal Education's 2007-08 Survey of Applied Legal Education are now available free of charge at <<http://www.CSALE.org>>. The results provide valuable insight into the state and nature of applied legal education in areas including program design and structure, pedagogical techniques and practice, and the treatment of applied legal educators in the legal academy. Over 147 schools provided data on their overall programs, challenges they face, and the rights and responsibilities of those teaching in them. Four hundred and ten in-house, live client clinics and 235 field placement programs provided detailed information on how they teach and operate. And hundreds of individual clinicians provided information on a wide range of topics including voting rights, promotion and retention standards, and compensation. For a report summarizing the results, or to get the raw data, please visit <<http://www.CSALE.org>>.





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PLEASE RESPOND TO THE CLINICIANS' LEGAL WRITING SURVEY

Tonya Kowalski, Associate Professor of Law at Washburn University, is soliciting responses to her survey about how clinicians teach or mentor legal writing in the clinical setting. The responses will be used to develop teaching tools and curricular recommendations for encouraging the transfer of legal skills from legal writing programs to clinics and beyond. Prof. Kowalski recently presented preliminary results at the 2003 Midwest Clinical Law Conference, but needs more responses to ensure that the results provide a good cross-section of clinician experiences and viewpoints. Please consider taking a few moments to participate in the study by either downloading the survey from her faculty webpage to complete at your convenience, or by using the online version, which is divided into Part I and Part II and which can be completed piecemeal if necessary.

Full URL: http://www.surveymonkey.com/s.aspx?sm=kS_2fuVIDENSi_2fr5gfi0VwDQ_3d_3d

"Tiny" URL: <http://tinyurl.com/5lnasg>

Clinical Legal Writing Survey Part 2 of 2:

Full URL: http://www.surveymonkey.com/s.aspx?sm=DgS9x1h_2bAW_2fO3mgPE81MuQ_3d_3d

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THE UNIVERSITY *of* MARYLAND SCHOOL OF LAW

The Clinical Law Program at the University of Maryland School of Law presents

35th Anniversary Conference
CURRICULUM REFORM: LINKING THEORY AND PRACTICE
Friday, March 6, 2008

Join us as we continue the cycle of best practices discussions that have occurred across the country in response to the recently published BEST PRACTICES FOR LEGAL EDUCATION and the Carnegie Foundation Report, EDUCATING LAWYERS. We will focus on efforts of curricular reform, highlighting innovative programs in legal education that were implemented in response to these publications or otherwise fulfill their spirit, and discuss the centrality of clinical legal education to curricular innovation and reform.

Confirmed panelists include:

- Bryan Adamson, Seattle University School of Law
- Susan Bryant, CUNY School of Law
- Jon Dubin, Rutgers University School of Law
- Peter Joy, Washington University School of Law
- Dean Lisa Kloppenberg, University of Dayton School of Law
- Larry Marshall, Stanford Law School
- Todd Rakoff, Harvard Law School
- Dean Karen Rothenberg, University of Maryland School of Law
- Dean Rodney Smolla, Washington and Lee University School of Law
- Antoinette Sedillo Lopez, University of New Mexico School of Law

For more information and to register, please visit
www.law.umaryland.edu/35thConference.



PUBLICATIONS

Annette Appell, Representing Children Representing What?: Child Advocacy & Norm Enforcement, 39 Columbia Human Rights Law Rev. 573 (2008).

Annette Appell, The Endurance of Biological Connection: Heteronormativity, Same-Sex Parenting and the Lessons of Adoption, 22 B.Y.U.J. Pub. L. 289 (2008).

Emily Hughes, Mitigating Death, 18:2 Cornell J.Law & Pub.Pol'y (forthcoming).

Emily Hughes, Taking First-Year Students to Court: Disorienting Moments as Catalysts for Change, 28 Wash. U. J. Law & Pol'y (2008) (in press).

Clinical Professor Carwina Weng recently published "Individual and Intergroup Processes to Address Racial Discrimination in Lawyering Relationships," in *Critical Race Realism: Intersections of Psychology, Race, and Law* (Gregory S. Parks et al. eds., 2008).

Hugh Lee (Alabama) has just published "*The Alabama Elder Law Hornbook*" by West Publishing Company.





Job Opportunities

Washington College of Law

American University Washington College of Law seeks applications for a tenure-track clinical faculty position. Washington College of Law's in-house, "live-client" Clinical Program is nationally recognized for its leadership in scholarship, development of clinical methodology, contributions to increasing access to justice for under-served clients and breadth of offerings. The Washington College of Law currently has nine live-client clinical offerings in the areas of community and economic development, criminal justice, disability, domestic violence, general practice, intellectual property, international human rights, taxation, and women and the law.

(1) Minimum qualifications include a J.D. degree, three years experience as a lawyer, a commitment to clinical teaching, and a demonstration of scholarly interest in one or more fields of law.

American University Washington College of Law is committed to a diverse faculty, staff and student body and encourages the applications of women and minorities. American University is an EEO/AA employer. Review of applications will begin shortly. Appointments will be for the 2009-2010 academic year.

All inquiries should be by mail; please do not contact committee members by phone. Although there is no formal deadline, we will begin interviewing candidates for tenure-track positions early in the fall, so interested persons are encouraged to apply as soon as possible. All applicants should submit a cover letter and resume to:

Professor Brenda V. Smith
Chair, Appointments Committee
American University
Washington College of Law
4801 Massachusetts Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20016





Fordham University, Experienced Clinician Position

Fordham University School of Law seeks an experienced clinical legal educator for a faculty position to commence no later than August 2009. Fordham has a vibrant clinical program, with a clinical faculty of more than 20 offering an extensive simulation program and live client/real matter clinics in more than a dozen practice areas. This appointment may be to a tenured or tenure-track position, to a presumptively renewable long term contract, or to a visiting position, depending on the record and interests of the successful applicant.

We invite applications from candidates who have a distinguished academic background, five or more years of teaching experience, a record of excellence in academic scholarship, and a commitment to service in the law school and the community. The successful candidate will have primary responsibility to develop and teach a new live-client clinic or to further develop and teach in an existing live-client clinic. S/he will also have the opportunity to teach simulation and non-clinical courses depending on his or her interests and the needs of our students.

Candidates must be admitted to, eligible for admission to, or willing to sit for the New York Bar. Fordham University is an equal opportunity/affirmative action institution and particularly encourages applicants of diverse backgrounds to apply.

Resumes and letters of application describing the applicant's research interests and teaching fields should be forwarded to the Fordham Law School Experienced Clinician Selection Committee no later than December 15, 2008 at EC@law.fordham.edu or to:

Ms. Diana Marin
Fordham University School of Law
33 W. 60th Street, 9th Floor
New York, NY 10023

For further information, please contact Ms. Marin at 212 636 6220.





Immigration Clinic Visiting Professor

Barry University School of Law seeks applicants with a demonstrated commitment to clinical legal education for a “look-see” visiting appointment to create an Immigration Clinic. The Immigration Clinic would be the third in-house clinic at the Law School. Students currently work in the Children and Families Clinic and Earth Advocacy Clinic.

Duties include working collaboratively with other teachers in the clinical program; direct supervision of third-year students in client representation and project work; development of curriculum, simulations, and advocacy materials; and joint classroom teaching.

The initial position would be a visiting faculty position with the hopes of converting the position into a permanent position when the School acquires sufficient funding. If the position became permanent the faculty member would be on our tenure-track system. In addition to the teaching responsibilities, the faculty member would be expected to achieve excellence in scholarship and service to the school and community. The position can begin as soon as January 1, 2009.

The Barry University is a Dominican Catholic university. The main campus is in Miami Shores, Florida. The Barry University School of Law is located in Orlando, Florida, a vibrant and sunny place to live and to attend school. The Law School received full accreditation from the American Bar Association in December 2006. Barry University is an equal opportunity employer and people of color, women and others with diverse backgrounds are encouraged to apply.

QUALIFICATIONS

J.D. degree or its equivalent. A minimum of three years of post-law school work experience is required and five years of such experience is preferred. Substantial experience in trial and appellate deportation defense is strongly preferred. Clinical teaching or supervisory experience is also preferred. A record of scholarship or evidence of the ability to produce scholarship is required. Bar membership and willingness to seek admission to the Middle District of Florida Federal Court.

We will begin to review applications in early fall so interested candidates should apply as soon as possible. Please send resume and cover letter to:

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Columbia Law School
Visiting Clinical or Associate Clinical Professor for one or Both
Semesters of 2009-2010

Columbia Law School seeks a Visiting Clinical Professor to teach its Non-Profit Organizations/Small Business Clinic for one or both semesters of 2009-2010. Begun in 1985 as the Community Development Clinic, the Clinic is one of the oldest clinics in the country devoted to neighborhood revitalization through transactional work on behalf of non-profit organizations and small businesses. The Clinic serves clients located primarily in underserved communities by helping them to structure their enterprises, develop effective governance policies, enter into contracts, leases and other transactions and meet regulatory requirements. Most of the Clinic's clients address needs in New York City; some work on human rights and economic development matters abroad.

Starting from a well-developed curriculum and well-established sources of clients (particularly in the non-profit area), the Visiting Professor will be responsible for all aspects of running the Clinic: including course planning and teaching, client selection, supervision and mentoring of law students in representing clients, Clinic administration, and community education and outreach.

Visitors are invited to participate in all colloquia and other aspects of academic life at the Law School, including the monthly meetings of a diverse and supportive clinical faculty.

The successful applicant will be a licensed attorney who has 4+ years of experience and demonstrated skill in representing non-profits and/or small businesses in the areas identified above and a record of strong academic achievement and commitment to public interest work. Clinical teaching experience and demonstrated ability to work with culturally and economically diverse communities are highly desirable. Review of candidates will begin immediately and continue until the position is filled.

Please refer questions to the Clinic Director, Barbara Schatz, at bschatz@law.columbia.edu.

Apply online at academicjobs.columbia.edu/applicants/Central?quickFind=50994. Please also send cover letter, resume, writing sample or publication and names of three references to Professor Schatz at:

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