#### CLINICAL LEGAL EDUCATION ASSOCIATION

### **CLEA Newsletter**

#### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

A belated Happy New Year to all! CLEA started the year by adding several new board members: Patience Crowder (Denver); Anjum Gupta (Rutgers); Janet Thompson Jackson (Washburn); and Karla McKanders (Tennessee). Jeff Pokorak (Suffolk) and Binny Miller (American) were re-elected to the Board as well. Kate Kruse (UNLV) was elected Vice President and Donna Lee (CUNY) Secretary, and Claudia Angeles (NYU) reprises her role as Treasurer of our Board. Leaving the Board are Esther Canty-Barnes (Rutgers), Bob Kuehn (Washington University), and Yoli Rodero (Vanderbilt). Thanks to all of you for your service to CLEA; as an all-volunteer organization, we rely heavily on our board to carry out CLEA's mission. Thanks also go to the Election Committee--Sameer Ashar (UC Irvine), Evelyn Cruz (ASU), Maritza Karmely (Suffolk), Kate Kruse and Alex Scherr (Georgia)—for helping us to recruit a strong, diverse slate of Board members for the coming years. I personally want to thank Ian Weinstein (Fordham), CLEA's Immediate Past President, whose leadership of CLEA during this incredibly tumultuous time has been invaluable. I am grateful for his wisdom and support.

One of CLEA's core missions is to advocate for the clinical community before the various American Bar Association bodies that set the standards for accrediting law schools, and we have been busy again with that task this winter. Claudia Angelos, Kate Kruse, Ian Weinstein and I all made presentations to the Standards Review Committee in November 2011, underscoring the importance of the Committee's deliberations given the crucial decisions that they will make about standards governing outcomes, security of position, faculty governance, and other matters, and stressing CLEA's willingness to work with the Committee to develop policies that will best serve legal education as a whole and address the particular needs of clinical legal educators. In January 2012, the Standards Review Committee met in Washington, D.C. CLEA submitted comments to the Committee urging that the bar passage rate requirements remain at the current levels; those comments are available on CLEA's website at www.cleaweb.org/. Claudia Angeles and I attended the January meeting and spoke with a number of members of the Standards Review Committee, as well as members of the American Bar Association Council on Legal Education, about our concerns. We are



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excited about the opportunity to work with the new leadership in both the Standards Review Committee and the Council as the comprehensive review of the standards nears an end. In the coming months, particularly as security of position again comes to the fore, CLEA will remain engaged with the Committee and the Council and will actively advocate to preserve the hard won protections for security of position that have made such a difference to the clinical community.

In January, CLEA's Board and membership came together to discuss not only the issues that we have been focused on in the past, but what we might like to see CLEA do in the future. Board members brought a host of creative ideas for advancing CLEA's agenda over the coming year, both building on past successes (such as CLEA's Best Practices project, which you can read about on pages 3) and charting new territory. We look forward to bringing those projects to you as they develop, and we welcome your input on the places that you would like to see CLEA go.

We recognize that the clinical community has grown tremendously over the last few years, and that not everyone can come together at the annual Section on Clinical Legal Education Conference hosted by the AALS each spring. For that reason, CLEA has begun to partner with regional conferences, both by hosting receptions to talk about CLEA's work and through our New Clinicians Committee, chaired by Laura McNally (Case Western). We look forward to meeting many of you at these conferences and forging new connections among clinical faculty that otherwise might be missed. Look for CLEA at the Southern Regional Clinical Conference at the University of Tennessee and at other regional conferences throughout the year.

As you can see, CLEA has an ambitious slate for the year ahead. I thank you for giving me the opportunity to serve as president of such a vibrant, creative and essential organization, and hope that the work we do together over the next year will repay your confidence in me.

Leigh Goodmark
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#### **CLEA COMMITTEE REPORTS**

#### Clinics and Law School Rankings

For the past few years, CLEA's Rankings Committee has circulated a statement on the clinic listserv asking individuals who receive ranking ballots from the US News and World Report to focus on key factors such as: 1) the range and quality of clinical curricular offerings available to students; 2) the law school's security of position, academic freedom, and governance rights for faculty who teach clinics; and 3) the extent to which the school has fulfilled the goal of diversity in hiring for clinical positions with long-term security. As the statement explains, CLEA recognizes that there are numerous problems with ranking clinical programs. Accordingly, we welcome further ideas and input on these issues.

#### Task Force on Minorities in Clinical Legal Education

The Task Force was formed to examine and seek ways to address the lack of diversity in clinical legal education. Thus far, the Task Force has focused on the relationship between status/security of position and clinician diversity, which CLEA has incorporated into its' ABA standards advocacy. The Task Force will meet at the upcoming Conference on Clinical Legal Education to develop an agenda moving forward. Any thoughts and suggestions are welcomed and appreciated.

#### **Best Practices Implementation Committee**

The Best Practices Implementation Committee met during the AALS Annual Conference in Washington D.C. The committee is currently co-chaired by Lisa Bliss and Carrie Kass, who are overseeing two of the committee's initiatives, which are complimented by the ongoing Best Practices for Legal Education Blog. (http://bestpracticeslegaled.albanylawblogs.org/)The first is the development of a second book to follow Best Practices for Legal Education, "Building on Best Practices." The Building on Best Practices Book Subcommittee of the Best Practices Implementation Committee is working on a follow-up volume to Best Practices and has recruited an editorial board for that purpose. The Editorial Board initially contemplated a volume that would consist of individually authored chapters on a variety of topics not considered in detail in the original volume. Thus, the committee sent out a call for topic ideas last summer and a call for abstracts due in December. The committee received over 40 topic suggestions and almost thirty very fine abstracts or proposals. At a lively meeting during the AALS conference, however, the committee decided to pursue a different structure, more similar to the original Best Practices volume. During 2012 the committee will finalize topics and recruit coordinators for each topic to prepare a working draft for the topic. In addition, the committee will invite individuals with expertise in each topic and interest in the project to participate in a conference at University of New Mexico in March of 2013 to finalize the content. It is anticipated that many of the participants will be drawn from the pool of individuals who submitted abstracts in December. The co-chairs of the Beyond Best Practices Book Subcommittee are Antoinette Sedillo Lopez and Deborah Maranville. They welcome suggestions for additional potential authors.

The second initiative, the Facilitator Project for Implementing Best Practices, relates to addressing the needs of schools undergoing curricular reform and implementation of best practices. This initiative is focused on developing the best ways to facilitate the process of reform on a micro as well as macro level. This subcommittee is co-chaired by Ken Margolis, Bob Seibel and Howard Katz.

#### CLINIC NEWS

#### ALBANY LAW SCHOOL

On February 3-4, 2012, Albany Law School hosted the 2012 Northeast Regional Scholarship & Development Workshop. This workshop was developed for law faculty who do not have tenure and who seek an opportunity to develop their scholarship and discuss their teaching practices. Members of the Albany Law Clinic faculty facilitated.

On March 30, 2012, Albany Law School's Center for Excellence in Law Teaching (CELT), directed by **Professor Mary Lynch**, will host a national conference on "Setting and Assessing Learning Objectives from Day One" for law school faculty and administrators. The conference will focus on setting and assessing foundational objectives for law students, as well as what some law schools have already done to better structure curriculum and prepare students to meet proposed new American Bar Association standards. Members of the Albany Law Clinic faculty will be facilitating.

In November 2011, **Professor Benjie Louis** and her Tenant Foreclosure Protection Clinic led a conference on "Emerging Issues in Mortgage Foreclosure Affecting Tenants' Rights and Remedies." The conference compared and contrasted the law and practice in New York, Massachusetts, and Florida as well as the influence of federal law in this area.

On November 16, 2011, at the 2011 N.Y. State Commission on Quality of Care & Advocacy for Persons with Disabilities Contractor's Meeting, Civil Rights and Disabilities Clinic students presented on the Court of Appeals brief they recently wrote together with the law firm Patterson, Belknap, Web and Tyler and Disabilities Advocates Inc. (DAI). The case concerned the refusal of the N.Y. State Office of Mental Retardation to release records requested by the law school and DAI in an investigation concerning the agency's unnecessary institutionalization of individuals with developmental disabilities.

On Nov 11<sup>th</sup> **Prof. Burke**, the director of the Civil Rights and Disabilities Law Clinic, and Nicole Kulik and Stephen Barry, clinical students in the program were quoted in the New York Times in an article addressing a case which was brought by Albany Law School's Interim President & Dean, Connie Mayer. Professor Mayer brought the case with clinical students in 1989 when she served as director of the law school's Disability Law Clinic. The article is titled "For Disabled Care Complaints, Vow of Anonymity Was False" in the *New York Times* 11/11/11.

#### ARIZONA STATE UNIVERSITY SANDRA DAY O'CONNOR COLLEGE OF LAW

The Post-Conviction Clinic celebrated another success over a manifest injustice. Working with our community partner, the Arizona Justice Project, we were able to secure our client's release from prison after he had been sentenced in 1990 to a 50 year prison term for selling \$20.00 worth of cocaine base. Even under Arizona's strict sentencing laws, this was considered an extremely harsh sentence given the circumstances of the offense and the client's background. Others similarly situated received much lesser sentences. After almost three years of investigation and effort, we were able to convince the prosecution to agree to a resentencing. The end result was that the client was released from prison and allowed to rejoin his family on December 31, 2011. He served over 21 years in prison, where he completed his education and learned a trade. We are committed to helping him make the transition from prisoner to contributing member of society.

The Ruth V. McGregor Family Protection Clinic and the Civil Justice Clinic recently partnered to provide self-help information and consults during the largest Stand Down in the country for veterans experiencing homelessness. Over 1200 veterans attended the StandDown to receive information and assistance obtaining shelter, clothing, medical services, court services, and other forms of government assistance. Ten students, along with Associate Clinical **Professors Jaime Dahlstedt and Marcy Karin**, educated the community and offered select consults about safety planning, orders of protection, custody, disability is-

sues, unemployment insurance, employment protections, and other civil laws for the military community. Pictured are: Professors Dahlstedt and Karin, their students, a sex trafficking advocate that works with the McGregor Clinic, and Col. Joey Strickland, Director of the Arizona Department of Veterans' Services.



#### UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS LAW SCHOOL

Legal Clinic Update Notable Cases

**Professor Elizabeth Young**, together with her research assistant Drew Devenport, represented a University of Arkansas Honors student in immigration proceedings. The student, who had been brought to the United States as a small child, was facing deportation. Professor Young and Mr. Devenport were able to get prosecutorial discretion for the student, whose case has been administratively closed by the courts. They are continuing to work with the student on possible avenues to legal citizenship for the student.

#### Presentations

Professor **D'Lorah Hughes**, together with Professors **Christina A. Zawisza and Tienne L. Anderson** of The University of Memphis Cecil C. Humphreys School of Law, will present at the Southern Clinical Conference in Knoxville, Tennessee on "Global Cross-Cultural Perspectives on Teaching Social Justice in a Southern Political Climate". Professor Hughes will also be presenting at the Southeastern Association of Law Schools (SEALS) Conference in July as part of the SEALS New Scholars program. The topic of the presentation is "State Criminal Courts and an Unexpected Diaspora: An Empirical Study of Marshall Islanders in Northwest Arkansas".

#### Cross Disciplinary Programs

The University of Arkansas Law School Legal Clinic continues their partnership with the School of Social Work on the Law and Social Work Services Program. Under joint supervision by **Professor D'Lorah Hughes** at the clinic and **Professor Alishia Ferguson** of the School of Social Work, Intern Caitlin Forrest has worked with Juvenile Defense clients in the fall, and will work with Civil and Federal Bankruptcy clients this spring, helping connect them to social services in the Northwest Arkansas Community. Both faculty members are excited about this continued collaboration, and thank their departments and administrators for the support and enthusiasm for the project.

#### UNIVERSITY OF BALTIMORE

# School of Law

The University of Baltimore School of Law Clinical Program is pleased to announce the selection of its second Venable House of Ruth Access to Justice Partnership Fellow, Sarah Witri. Sarah is a third year student and is currently enrolled in the Family Law Clinic. She will begin her fellowship with the House of Ruth in the summer of 2012. The Venable House of Ruth Access to Justice Partnership grew out of an initiative headed up by Vice President Joe Biden to increase access to justice for women subjected to abuse in civil cases by creating

partnerships between law school clinics, law firms and public interest organizations. The University of Baltimore is one of the two clinics asked by the Office of the Vice President to pilot the program.

Michele Gilman and Leigh Goodmark presented their work at the Feminist Legal Theory Collaborative Research Network Conference in Washington, D.C. in January.

Professor Dan Hatcher moderated and presented his paper, "Don't' Forget Dad: Addressing Women's Poverty by Re-thinking Policies Forced on Poor Mothers and Fathers," at Theory and Praxis in Reducing Women's Poverty, the joint session of the AALS Sections on Poverty Law and Clinical Legal Education at the 2012 AALS Annual Meeting. The article is forthcoming in the American University Washington College of Law Journal of Gender, Social Policy and the Law.

## THE UNIVERSITY OF BALTIMORE SCHOOL OF LAW CENTER FOR FAMILIES, CHILDREN AND THE COURTS (CFCC)

Professor Barbara Babb, CFCC's Director, facilitated and presented a paper on Unified Family Courts at a plenary session for the American Bar Association Section of Family Law's Fall CLE conference. The plenary, "Promising Practices in Family Law Cases," looked at ways to improve the practice of family law. CFCC has published its Benchbook on Substance Abuse and Addiction for Family Courts. The benchbook is an outgrowth of a conference, "A Family Disease: The Impact of Addiction and Substance Abuse on Children, Families, Family Courts, and Communities," that CFCC co-sponsored with the American Bar Association Standing Committee on Substance Abuse, the Maryland Administrative Office of the Courts (AOC), and the Open Society Institute-Baltimore (OSI). Professor Barbara Babb will speak about CFCC's Truancy Court Program and its impact on law students at a national conference, Summit on School-Justice Partnerships, on March 11-12 in New York City. Professor Babb will participate in a panel on "Truancy - School Engagement and Re-engagement" with other national experts on school attendance.

#### BROOKLYN LAW SCHOOL

Lisa Smith is a member of the Externship section's membership committee. Please email Lisa Smith, <a href="Lisa.Smith@brooklaw.edu">Lisa.Smith@brooklaw.edu</a>, Seth Lahn, <a href="slahn@indiana.edu">slahn@indiana.edu</a>, or Erma Bonadero, <a href="ecbon-dae@CENTRAL.UH.EDU">ecbon-dae@CENTRAL.UH.EDU</a> if you are interested in serving on the committee. They would love to hear from you and welcome everyone's participation.

#### CARDOZO SCHOOL OF LAW

**Paris R. Baldacci**, Clinical Professor of Law, has inaugurated a new clinic this semester: the LGBT Litigation and Leadership Practicum. The Practicum provides a one-semester intensive lawyering experience in advocating for lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender rights. Seven students have been placed in both direct service and law reform LGBT settings (Gay Men's Health Crisis, Lambda Legal Defense and Education Fund, Sylvia Rivera Law project, ACLU LGBT Rights project). The goal of these placements is to expose students to both the litigation work of these organizations and also to their leadership role,

structure and strategies in advancing LGBT rights. An LGBT Rights Seminar co-requisite explores the history of litigation and other law-reform strategies to advance LGBT rights, critically reflecting on the legal theories and strategies that have guided this history, focusing on key cases in areas such as sexual privacy, family, marriage equality and gender identity.

### UNIVERSITY OF DENVER STROM COLLEGE OF LAW

#### **Faculty Highlights**

Christopher Lasch, Assistant Professor, Criminal Defense Clinic

Presented "Immigration Detainers." CLE presentation to the Colorado Bar Association. Denver, CO (November 2011).

Howard Rosenberg, Professor of Law, Criminal Defense Clinic

Presented on "Metro Volunteer Lawyers at 45: The Thursday Night Bar – A Journey Through the Past," *CBA CLE Legal Connection* (October 4, 2011).

Christopher Lasch and Robin Walker Sterling, Assistant Professor, Criminal Defense Clinic served as faculty members for Harvard's intersession Trial Advocacy Workshop (TAW) in January 2012.. Faculty members for TAW are experienced judges, professors and practitioners. The workshop includes simulated exercises on all aspects of trial practice, and focuses on the task of the trial lawyer to create in the consciousness of the fact-finders the precise fact picture, which reflects the lawyer's version of the case.

#### Announcements

Raja Raghunath, Assistant Professor, Civil Litigation Clinic

Raja received a grant from the University of Denver Faculty Research Fund (FRF) for his proposed "Procedural Justice Study of Protective Order Mediation Participants." In response to the FRF's Fall 2011 request for proposals, 18 proposals were submitted requesting a total of \$48,317, and 11 were approved for funding totaling \$28,501.

#### **Clinic Updates**

Michael Harris, Assistant Professor, Environmental Law Clinic

Students in the Environmental Law Clinic at the University of Denver Sturm College of Law on Feb. 1 filed suit in federal court to block the proposed "Over the River" industrial scale art project. The project proposes hanging polypropylene fabric panels over 5.9 miles of the Arkansas River, in scattered sections over a 42-mile stretch. The suit is being filed against the U.S. Bureau of Land Management on behalf of the grassroots, all-volunteer citizen group Rags Over the Arkansas River" (ROAR), whose members are dedicated to preserving and protecting the headwaters of the Arkansas River and Bighorn Sheep Canyon. The group opposes the industrial scale art project citing numerous environmental issues and dangers to the residents and visitors to the area. The suit is filed by students Mason Brown and Justine Shepherd, under the guidance of Professor Michael Harris. "The Bureau of Land Management and other government officials refuse to acknowledge that the impacts of this project are not 'short term' in nature," Harris says. "For a two-week exhibition, the BLM has authorized Christo to undertake a two-year construction project in one of the most environmentally sensitive areas along the Arkansas River. The boring of over 9,000 holes into the bedrock along the riverbank and the installation of a complex system of cables and anchors will damage the area's scenic, cultural and wildlife resources just as if the bureau had authorized the development of a massive mining operation in the canyon."

#### In the Media

Christopher Lasch, Assistant Professor, Criminal Defense Clinic

Tenth Amendment Center web radio —Interviewed about immigration and how it relates to states' rights (the interview begins at 43:00).

http://radio.tenthamendmentcenter.com/2011/12/tenther-radio-episode-25-louis-fisher-christopher-lasch/ (December 7, 2011)

**Michael Harris,** Assistant Professor of Law and Kevin Lynch, Fellow in the Environmental Law Clinic <a href="http://blog.heritage.org/2012/01.11/tales-of-the-red-tape-24-breeding">http://blog.heritage.org/2012/01.11/tales-of-the-red-tape-24-breeding</a>



#### **Immigration and Human Rights Clinic**

Under the supervision of Clinical Teaching Fellow Maunica Sthanki, Immigration and Human Rights Clinic students successfully represented a mentally disabled man from Tanzania. Evan Mascagni '11, Joseph Spilatro '11, and 3Ls Stacy Makris, Parisa Dada, Kelsey Genevich, and H. Moctezuma Perez-Casillas worked on the case for one year. As a result of their hard work the Immigration Court granted the client relief from removal under the Convention Against Torture and he has been released from custody.

**Kristina Campbell**, Assistant professor and Director, Immigration & Human Rights Clinic presented her work-in-progress, "*Humanitarian Aid is Never a Crime? The Politics of Immigration Enforcement on the U.S./ Mexico Border and Beyond*" at the Law and Society Association 2011 Annual Meeting in San Francisco, CA.



#### **HIV/AIDS Law Clinic**

#### Community Outreach - "Educate to Advocate"

UDC's HIV /AIDS Law Clinic, the second oldest such clinic in the country, has represented individuals and families infected and affected by the virus. Washington DC has one of the highest rates of HIV/AIDS in the country. On December 1, 2011, World AIDS Day Clinic students and faculty brought medical and social service providers, government officials and activists to Ward 7, one of the poorest communities in the District and, not surprisingly, with one of the highest incidence of the disease. The event included a screening of the film, "The Other City;" a documentary made in the community about the residents who live in the shadow of the Capitol but remain almost invisible to the lawmakers and lobbyists who live and work there. The film was followed by speakers who encouraged everyone in the audience to take advantage of free testing offered onsite and become more knowledgeable about contraception.

#### Embedded Law Librarians in Legal Clinics

The UDC-DCSL law clinics began the first experiment of embedding law librarians into clinics in the fall of 2010. That first semester **Helen Frazer**, **J.D.**, **LL.M.**, **M.L.S**., began working with the Juvenile and Special Education Clinic to reinforce the importance of legal research as a lawyering skill in the clinic setting. It quickly became clear that offering students assistance at the point of need is extremely effective. Since then, librarians **Gail Mathapo**, **J.D.**, **M.L.I.S**, **and Brittany Kolonay**, **J.D.**, **M.L.I.S**. have been embedded in the Community Development Clinic and Legislation Clinic. They have prepared clinic-focused legal research guides, given presentations on legal research and resources, and met with students to provide research support on individual clinic projects. Faculty and students alike have welcomed the program which is now in its second full year of operation.

#### The Took Crowell Institute for At-Risk Youth Juvenile and Special Education Law Clinic

Faculty and student attorneys continue to work on behalf of clients seeking special education services and avoiding disciplinary exclusion from school. In addition, clinic staff members are working with student attorneys to design and implement cutting edge systemic change projects.

For example, **Professor Joseph Tulman** is leading the effort to require the Federal Bureau of Prisons to recognize the rights of eligible D.C. felony inmates to receive special education and related services. Clinic Instructor **Kaitlin Banner** is organizing and training first and second-year law students at D.C. area law schools to represent children and parents in school discipline matters. Clinic Instructor Joyce McGee has opened an office in an underserved community to reach out to parents and other community members. Clinic Instructor Ramesh Kasarabada's project will ensure that low-income, IDEA-eligible high school students in the area served by the Institute's outreach clinic receive appropriate transition services as they prepare to finish high school and enter the workforce.



## School of Law

#### Bill of Rights Clinic - Civil Rights Litigation Clinic

The 12 students working as certified legal interns in the Bill of Rights Clinic have started the 2011-2012 academic year off on a high note! They have settled three employment discrimination cases and received monetary settlements of approximately \$50,500 for their clients, under the supervision of **Professor Tracey**McCants Lewis. The students regularly attend community meetings at the Pittsburgh Branch of the NAACP to meet with individuals who present with legal issues dealing with employment, housing and public accommodation discrimination. While the students provide legal representation on matters dealing with discrimination they have created a working relationship with the Allegheny County Bar Association Lawyer Referral Service to assist individuals who have family law and criminal law issues with obtaining an appropriate referral.

Adjunct Professor **Adrian Roe**, who co-teaches in the Bill of Right Clinic, recently supervised members of the Clinic in the preparation of a Petition for Writ of Certiorari filed in the United States Supreme Court. The clinic represented an inmate in an appeal to the United States Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit captioned *Sorrell v. Bledsoe*, Appeal No. 10-1649. The issue centered on whether a federal prisoner can obtain habeas corpus relief in relation to a constitutionally invalid sentencing enhancement. If the court does grant certiorari, the case would be heard in the spring or fall of 2012.

#### Community Enterprise Clinic

Ten third-year students currently serve approximately 70 nonprofit groups through the Law School's Community Enterprise Clinic supervised by Adjunct Clinical Professor **Norma Caquatto.** These clients typically need advice about formation, document preparation and guidance regarding corporate governance, regulatory compliance and best practices. The clinic serves clients who support the arts; promote redevelopment of distressed communities; preserve historic sites/districts; educate for health; rescue abandoned animals; establish religious ministries; develop youth sports programs; and create interfaith dialogue. These are some examples of our clients work: supporting a wellness network in central Pennsylvania; a youth empowerment organization; a soccer program in Cameroon seeking to educate youth and prevent the spread of HIV/AIDS; a Pittsburgh project reconditioning donated bicycles to give underprivileged youth to encourage health; and an interfaith and educational forum seeking to educate and promote dialogue and understanding about Christian, Jew-

ish and Muslim faiths.

#### Criminal Advocacy Clinic

The six students in the Criminal Advocacy Clinic, supervised by Adjunct Clinical **Professor KirshaWeyandt**, worked on cases in adult criminal court and juvenile court. The students began the semester by touring the Allegheny County Jail and the Allegheny County Medical Examiner's Lab. In October, they also observed oral arguments before the Pennsylvania Supreme Court and Pennsylvania Superior Court. Unemployment Compensation Clinic

The Pennsylvania Commonwealth Court issued its unreported Memorandum opinion in the case of Brent Green Sr. vs. U.C.B.R., 2232 C.D. 2010. The case was argued by two clinic students Tracy Jones and Matthew Russin, under the supervision of Adjunct Clinical **Professor Michael Simon.** Mr. Green had challenged the findings of the board with respect to the applicability of Section 402(e) of the law relating to willful misconduct. To be disqualified under this section, the conduct at issue must be work related. UPMC contended that Green violated a work rule that authorized the discharge of an employee who had been "charged with, and not found innocent of a crime which would diminish trust to the staff member's future performance." The record, however, contained evidence that this work rule only applied to nonsupervisory employees, and thus was inapplicable to Green, a supervisor.

### **#**FAULKNER**LAW**

In the Fall of 2011, the Jones School of Law at Faulkner University moved into the Allen Law Center, a significant expansion to the law school's building. The Allen Law Center includes new state-of-the art facilities for the clinical programs. The new clinical offices include a spacious, comfortable reception area, multiple conference rooms for client meetings, student offices and work space, faculty offices, a dedicated classroom, and a separate entrance for clients from their reserved parking spaces. The clinic offices are adjacent to the School of Law's new courtroom and coffee shop. The space is flexible enough to host advocacy teams, client lunches and professional meetings with the bar. The new facility affords the Elder Law Clinic, Family Violence Clinic and Mediation Clinic greater capacity for practice and a more sophisticated model for the students' training for law practice. The new space is designed for expansion and has enabled new internship collaboration with Faulkner's undergraduate paralegal program. The School of Law established its first clinic 15 years ago, and the new facilities prepare the clinical program for an exciting new era of work and education.

## FIU

#### FLORIDA INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL OF LAW

In coordination with the human rights clinic at the University of Miami, FIU College of Law Clinical Programs, led by Professor Juan Carlos Gomez, hosted more than 35 international human rights clinicians for their 2012 gathering on Saturday, February 4. Clinicians from American, Northeastern, Berkeley, Stanford, Harvard, Yale, Northwestern, UM, USC, UCLA, CUNY, NYU, Iowa, Texas, Wyoming, Virginia, University of North Carolina, and other law schools including one representative from Brazil, came together to share their work and to discuss issues in human rights across the world. **Peggy Maisel and Troy Elder** led a discussion on how clinics help students learn practical lawyering at a time when law schools are being questioned for not providing the skills and experience necessary to enter job market. Projects ranged from working with the oppressed in Cambodia to dealing with the causes of chronic human rights violations in Haiti.

The Public Interest Law Center at the Florida State University College of Law welcomed its third clinic this fall: The Medical Legal Partnership. **Wendi Adelson** directs this clinic, and has just published a novel that chronicles the lives of her clients who are former victims of human trafficking. This is Our Story is available on Amazon kindle and hard copy at wendiadelson.com For more information, check out <a href="http://www.amazon.com/This-is-Our-Story-ebook/dp/8005MRA7NQ/ref=sr\_1\_1?s=digital-text&ie=UTF8&qid=1326904309&sr=1-1">http://www.amazon.com/This-is-Our-Story-ebook/dp/8005MRA7NQ/ref=sr\_1\_1?s=digital-text&ie=UTF8&qid=1326904309&sr=1-1</a>



#### SCHOOL OF LAW

INTERNATIONAL LAW AND DEVELOPMENT IN AFRICA CLINIC, LEITNER CENTER FOR INTERNATIONAL LAW AND JUSTICE

Launched in Spring 2008, the International Law and Development in Africa Clinic, hosted by the Leitner Center for International Law and Justice, partners Fordham Law students with Ghanaian law students and the African Center for Development Law and Policy (ACDLP) to study international development law and policy and then research, develop and implement their own small-scale, sustainable legal projects in Ghana. The students study the history and development of Ghana, as well as project design and proposal drafting. The clinic offers the opportunity to travel to Ghana for a fact-finding mission to meet the Ghanaian partners and interview stakeholders. Successful proposals receive funding and stipends are available to Ghanaian and Fordham Law students to spend the summer bringing their projects to fruition. The Fall 2011 students developed three projects. The legal aid project partnered with Legal Aid Scheme of Ghana on two initiatives: Legal Aid Week in October 2011 to raise awareness and support for the scheme; a national survey of legal service providers maps existing services and identifies gaps that Legal Aid expansions target to fill. The family justice project partners with Virtue Foundation and the Ghanaian judiciary to assist with the planning and implementation of a pilot family justice center in Ghana. The customary law project partners with the Asantehene, the King of the Ashanti – one of the largest ethnic groups in Ghana – to publish a law report and online database of the court decisions to increase awareness and access to judicial decisions of customary courts.

#### **GEORGE WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY**

#### SCHOOL OF LAW

#### THE JACOB BURNS COMMUNITY LEGAL CLINICS

For the 2011-12 academic year, the Jacob Burns Community Legal Clinics are operating from offices at 1919 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, a mere 4 blocks from the White House. At the end of the calendar year, we are slated to return to our former location at 2000 G St. NW, which is being enlarged, updated, and reconfigured to meet our expanding clinical program's needs. In Spring, 2013, we hope to inaugurate our renovated quarters with a celebration of not just our new digs but also the 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the founding of the GW Clinics. Stay tuned for further announcements of these upcoming events.

Our new Neighborhood Law & Policy Clinic, taught by Professor Jessica Steinberg, is off to a great start. Students are representing clients on a host of law and policy matters linked to issues of poverty, including housing conditions cases, public benefits hearings, and parole termination matters. Our newly named Family Justice Litigation Clinic, taught by Professor Laurie Kohn, is also thriving, having added civil protection order hearings in domestic violence cases to its longstanding docket of domestic relations matters. In 2011-12, we welcomed back **Professor Annie B. Smith**, a 2009-11 Friedman Fellow, as a visiting faculty member directing the International Human Rights Clinic while Professor Arturo Carrillo is on sabbatical. Annie is spearheading the Clinic's Human Trafficking Project, representing a group of 18 guest workers in federal litigation in the Southern District of Florida. The lawsuit is now in the discovery phase, having survived all pre-trial motions, including the defendants' motion to dismiss. In 2012-13, Professor Smith will begin a tenure-track clinical teaching position at the University of Arkansas Law Center (where she will join another GW Clinic alum, Professor Elizabeth Young, who runs the law school's Immigration Clinic). Another former Friedman Fellow, Amanda Spratley, will begin a tenure track clinical teaching position in 2012-13, opening a Community Economic Development Clinic at the law school at University of Massachusetts-Dartmouth. We are delighted for Annie and Amanda, and we wish them both well as they embark on the next chapter of their academic careers. Kudos to Amanda as well on the forthcoming publication of her LL.M. thesis, Connecting Law and Creativity, in Vol. 8, Issue 2 of the Hastings Business Law Journal (Spring, 2012). We are also delighted this year to have the company of a new class of clinical fellows. The 2011-13 Friedman Fellows are: Nancy Craig, Esq., who is working with Professor Jeffrey Gutman, primarily on employment law

cases in the Public Justice Advocacy Clinic; **Wyatt Feeler, Esq.,** who is working with **Professor Anne Olesen** on criminal appeals cases in the Federal, Criminal, and Appellate Clinic; **Anne Smetak, Esq.**, working with **Professor Jessica Steinberg** in the Neighborhood Law & Policy Clinic, and **Caroline Rogus, Esq.** working with **Professor Laurie Kohn** in the Family Justice Litigation Clinic. All of them are making significant contributions

to our clinics while they are immersed in our LL.M. training program for clinical teachers.

In November, 2011, **Professor Joan Meier** presented "Developments in the Law of Domestic Violence in the United States," to delegates from China at an event organized by the ABA Rule of Law Initiative and UNICEF Study Tour. In October, she spoke on "Problems with Child Protection in the Family Courts," at a Congressional briefing on the effects of domestic violence on children. In September, at a domestic violence seminar at the University of Akron, Professor Meier gave the keynote address entitled, "Distinguishing Different Types of Domestic Violence – Promise or Peril?"

In September, 2011, **Dean Phyllis Goldfarb** spoke to a delegation of Egyptian lawyers and professors at a meeting organized by the Protection Project, addressing the role of legal clinics in criminal defense mat-

ters that follow from popular uprisings. In October 2011, Dean Goldfarb presented a paper entitled, "Back to the Future of Clinical Legal Education, at a symposium held at Boston College Law School. Dean Goldfarb also served as a planning committee member and a small group facilitator for the Clinical Law Review Writers' Workshop, held at NYU Law School in September, 2011. Friedman Fellow Shana Tabak presented a paper, The Untapped Legitimacy Potential of Transitional Justice within Ongoing Conflict at the Clinical Law Review Writers' Workshop. In January, 2012, she also presented a paper, Creating Reality with a Word: Genocide and Group Rights, at a conference entitled Violence, Memory and Human Rights, held at the University of South Florida in Tampa.

In June, 2011, **Professor Jeffrey Gutman** was elected Treasurer of the D.C. Bar. In October, 2011, **Professor Annie Smith** spoke to delegates from Russia on a panel entitled "Legal Aid to Trafficking Victims in the U.S." that was organized by the ABA's Rule of Law Initiative. As a member of the Family Court Training Committee, Professor Laurie Kohn planned DC's 2011 Family Court Conference, serving as moderator of a plenary panel and a concurrent session. In Fall, 2011, she conducted a training program on interviewing, confidentiality, and conflicts of interest for students involved in GW's pro bono program. In January, 2012, she served as a commentator at the Feminist Legal Theory Conference held at GW.

In Fall, 2011, **Professor Susan Jones** spoke at a GW summit on job creation in DC, advocating for job creation, self-employment, and worker-owned cooperatives for formerly incarcerated persons returning to DC neighborhoods. In January 2012, Friedman Fellow Jacqueline Laínez presented a paper, *Legal Issues in Social Entrepreneurship*, at the 26<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference of the United States Association for Small Business and Entrepreneurship (USASBE) held in New Orleans.

#### **Public Justice Advocacy Clinic**

Students taught by **Professor Jeffrey Gutman and Friedman Fellow Nancy Craig**, filed two federal Freedom of Information Act suits; filed a brief in the D.C. Court of Appeals in an unemployment compensation matter; won three other unemployment compensation cases; settled a pre-filing wage and hour case for \$7,000; after trial in D. C. Superior Court, won a \$20,000 judgment, plus costs and attorney's fees, in another wage and hour matter, and after a protracted judgment collection effort handed a check for \$15,000 to a wage and hour client. In November, they also won *D.L. v. D. C.*, a 2005 class action lawsuit on behalf of disabled preschool children and their parents, when U.S. District Judge Royce C. Lamberth held that the DC public schools had failed to fulfill their statutory obligations to provide the class with special education services.

#### **Immigration Clinic**

In January, 2012, students in the Immigration Clinic, directed by Professor **Alberto Benitez**, won affirmative asylum for a client from Nepal, a Christian minister who had been threatened by an extremist Hindu group. Students are now beginning the process of bringing the client's family to the U.S. Also in January, the Immigration Clinic won asylum for a client from Ethiopia who had been arrested, beaten, and imprisoned due to his peaceful political activity.

#### Federal, Criminal, and Appellate Clinic

In February, 2012, students in the Federal, Criminal, and Appellate Clinic, taught by **Professor Anne Olesen** and Friedman Fellow Wyatt Feeler, won an appeal from a client's conviction for resisting arrest on the

the grounds that the arrest had not been lawful.

#### **Domestic Violence Legal Empowerment and Appeals Project**

Legal Empowerment and Appeals Project (DV LEAP), directed by **Professor Joan Meier**, convened an interdisciplinary team of experts, including **Professor Margaret Drew**, who are involved in addressing the problem of protective parents fighting in family court for the custody of their children. As part of a training project funded by a grant to DV LEAP from the Office on Violence Against Women, the experts consulted on the development of an effective training program on custody and abuse issues for judges, attorneys, advocates, and custody evaluators.

#### **Small Business and Community Economic Development Clinic**

In 2011-12, students in the Small Business and Community Economic Development Clinic, directed by Professor Susan Jones and Friedman Fellow Jacqueline Lainez, provided legal assistance and counseling to a new DC food cooperative, one of the oldest African American mosques in the US focused on community development, and the founders of a college scholarship fund for historically disadvantaged students. As part of the clinic's action research initiative, students prepared for publication a white paper, *Perspectives on the Creative Economy*, underwritten in part by the Washington Area Lawyers for the Arts (WALA). Another white paper on workforce development in DC, researched and written by clinic students, is currently in the editorial phase and slated for publication in 2012.

#### **International Human Rights Clinic**

Students in the International Human Rights Clinic, taught by **Visiting Professor Annie Smith and Fried-man Fellow Shana Tabak,** were lead authors of a shadow report, *Human Rights Violations of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender People in Jamaica*, submitted in October, 2011 for consideration at the 103<sup>rd</sup> Session of the UN Human Rights Committee. Students collaborated with local activists to help draft other shadow reports on the treatment of LBGTI communities for submission to the UN Human Rights Committee. Clinic students also drafted reports in collaboration with activists in Jamaica and Guatemala, advocating for these countries to live up to their treaty obligations regarding treatment of LGBTI communities.

#### **Health Insurance Counseling Project**

In Fall, 2011, the Health Insurance Counseling Project, co-directed by Professor Suzanne Jackson, who also teaches GW's Health Rights Law Clinic, was named the highest-performing program of its kind in the country. This honor was the result of the program's performance on ten different measures established by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, which funds State Health Insurance Assistance Programs in every state and the District of Columbia.

Recently, students in the Family Justice Litigation Clinic, taught by Professor Laurie Kohn and Friedman Fellow Caroline Rogus, conducted a two-day trial in D.C. Superior Court, obtaining a protection order for a survivor of sexual assault. Students also obtained protection orders, including custody provisions, for two survivors of domestic violence. In another clinic case in D.C. Superior Court, students presented two days of oral arguments in a family law case on an issue related to parentage.

#### GEORGETOWN UNIVERSITY LAW CENTER

Wally Mlyniec (Georgetown) has just been elected Chair of the Board of the National Juvenile Defender Center. The National Juvenile Defender Center (NJDC) was created in 1999 to respond to the critical need to build the capacity of the juvenile defense bar and to improve access to counsel and quality of representation for children in the justice system. In 2005, the National Juvenile Defender Center separated from the American Bar Association to become an independent organization. NJDC gives juvenile defense attorneys a more permanent capacity to address practice issues, improve advocacy skills, build partnerships, exchange information, and participate in the national debate over juvenile crime. Also elected to the Board was Randy Hertz of NYU. Continuing on the Board are Abbe Smith (Georgetown) and Bridgett Ortega (John Marshall, Atlanta).

The Harrison Institute for Housing and Community Development at Georgetown has two new staff members. Raquel Skinner has joined the clinic as a staff attorney and adjunct professor and Alina Ball has joined the staff as a Fellow.

#### GOLDEN GATE UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW

On behalf of client Pacific Environment, the Environmental Law and Justice Clinic (ELJC) at Golden Gate University School of Law obtained a favorable decision from the California Public Utilities Commission (PUC) that strengthens clean energy policy in California. The decision makes clear that utility companies should always consider conservation and renewables before fossil fuel facilities in procuring energy. ELJC Professor Deborah Behles led a team of student clinicians who participated in every aspect of this proceeding, including drafting the briefs and appearing at hearings. "This decision prevents the utilities from undermining California's development of renewable energy. Now California can more effectively move toward reducing its reliance on fossil fuels," said Patrick Sullivan, one of the law students who worked on the case. "This common sense approach should go a long way in helping California meet its clean energy goals," said Aaron Gaspard, another student on the team.



#### LAW SCHOOL

Hamline University School of Law Clinical Professor Mary Jo B. Hunter along with Prof. April Schwartz of Touro Law School have published the 4th edition of a research compilation of tribal courts in a book titled *United States Tribal Courts Directory*. The book provides users with admission information as well as all pertinent information for tribal courts across the country. Prof. Schwartz and Prof Hunter plan to create it as an online resource in the near future.



### HARVARD LAW SCHOOL

Students in Harvard Law School's clinics have been busy working locally, nationally, and around the world. Here are a few highlights:

The **Cyberlaw Clinic** served as co-counsel to OpenCourt in cases before the Massachusetts Supreme Judicial Court, arguing that restrictions on OpenCourt's public archive of court proceedings constituted an unlawful prior restraint. The clinic also collaborated with the Human Trafficking and Modern Day Slavery Project at the Harvard Kennedy School's Carr Center to develop data, statutory research, case studies, and judicial training materials related to the use of technology in sex and labor trafficking.

This past fall, students in the **Harvard Negotiation and Mediation Clinic** worked with attorneys at the newly created Consumer Financial Protection Bureau to help design a system for handling potential appeals from regulated banks. In January, one team of students traveled to Jerusalem and the West Bank with the organization Seeds of Peace to train future Israeli and Palestinian leaders in conflict management skills, while other students traveled to Chile to help the Chilean Ministry of Justice assess his courtannexed mediation program.

Harvard Law School's **International Human Rights Clinic** helped to halt the adoption of treaty language permitting the use of cluster munitions at the Fourth Review Conference for the Convention on Conventional Weapons. In December, a separate clinical team submitted an *amicus curiae* brief to the U.S. Supreme in support of petitioners in a major Alien Tort Statute case, *Kiobel v. Royal Dutch Petroleum Co.* 

#### UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND

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Through a grant by the University President's Office, the JustAdvice® Initiative, by Professor Leigh Maddox, expanded to the Eastern Shore of Maryland. JustAd-



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vice<sup>®</sup> is a low cost legal consultation initiative of the Clinical Law Program that provides Maryland residents a place to ask their legal questions. This student run program now operates in five locations in Maryland, with three locations in Baltimore City and two on the eastern shore. During the Law School semester, our program offers two 3-hour sessions per week where residents may sit down with a Rule 16 student attorney and a Maryland volunteer attorney to discuss their legal issues. JustAdvice also has social work students to offer assistance and referrals as needed. Our program fills a critical service gap by aiding those who exceed the income restrictions of traditional legal assistance programs, but cannot afford private counsel. Through our sessions, we hope to empower customers to solve their issues and to make justice accessible to those most in need. In its short history, JustAdvice<sup>®</sup> has reached beyond the 1000 customer mark.

**Michael Pinard** was named a White House "Champion of Change," for his work as a lawyer devoted to closing the justice gap in America. He was recognized along with fifteen other individuals at a White House ceremony on October 13, 2011. At the ceremony, Attorney General Eric Holder and Senior Counselor for Access to Justice, Mark Childress, participated in a live web stream conversation for law students about providing much needed legal services to people who cannot afford them.

**Douglass L. Colbert:** Co-chairs the Society of American Law Teachers (SALT) Access to Justice Curriculum Reform (encouraging faculty to incorporate material that familiarizes students with the crisis in access to counsel and with a lawyer's pro bono duty to serve the unrepresented) and is also the Co-chair of the National Association of Criminal Defense Attorneys Task Force on Pretrial Justice (guaranteeing right to counsel at initial appearance; pretrial supervision in lieu of financial bail).

Hn a landmark ruling, Maryland's Court of Appeals ruled unanimously that indigent defendants' right to Acounsel includes legal representation at their first appearance before a judicial officer. The high court's decision responded to a class action suit filed five years ago on behalf of Baltimore city's poor and lower-income population who sought counsel's advocacy when a commissioner decided the issue of pretrial liberty or Abail. Access to Justice Clinic students, supervised by **Professor Doug Colbert**, collaborated with pro bono nattorneys, Michael Schatzow and Mitchell Mirviss of the Venable law firm.

\*\*Prof. Bowman-Rivas' MSW, LCSW-C was appointed to a three-year term on the executive board of the aNational Alliance of Sentencing Advocates and Mitigation Specialists (NASAMS). NASAMS is a section of the National Legal Aid and Defender Association (NLADA). Professor Bowman-Rivas is the Program Manager of the Law & Social Work Services Program at the Francis King Carey School of Law. The Program Merves clients of the Clinical Law Office, many of whom are struggling with social services needs, in addiction to their legal issues. Graduate students from the UM School of Social Work provide services under and experimental experiments.

\*\*Peter Holland\* was the recipient of two awards recently receiving the Simon K. Walton Award by the, Mary-gland Association for Justice (2011), and the Champion of Human Rights and Justice Award presented by the Maryland Legal Services Corporation. The Walton award is given to a person or who was acted on behalf of injured consumers. "The recipients, through their work, demonstrated a compassion and commitment to Pkeeping Maryland families safe through advocacy on behalf of Maryland consumers, and/or on behalf of athose seeking to advance or preserve access to the courts."

American Public Health Association (APHA) Annual Meeting, Panel: Health Law Special Interest Group. Environmental Law, District of Columbia, November 1, 2011. *Hydraulic Fracturing: Potential Health Impacts and Public Health Response*.

He University of Maryland, Baltimore, and Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, Summit on a Childhood Obesity, Panel: How to Build a Model Local Public Health Program, Baltimore, MD, November 116, 2011. *Locals Taking Lead: Tobacco Control in Maryland*.

hMaryland State Council on Cancer Control 18<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference, Panel: Promising Practices and Ideas for Cancer Plan Implementation, Hunt Valley, MD, November 29, 2011. *Policy, Environmental and Systems I Change*.

<sup>a</sup> She presented at Physicians Scientists and Engineers for Healthy Energy (PSE) and the Mid-Atlantic Center for Children's Health and the Environment (MACCHE) Conference: "Epidemiologic and Public Health Considerations of Shale Gas Production: The Missing Link," Arlington, VA, January 9, 2012. *Hydraulic Fracturing: State and Federal Regulation*.

<sup>c</sup>Kathleen moderated at the Maryland Journal on Race, Religion, Gender, and Class, Fall Symposium: Proitecting Our Children: A Critical Look at LGBT Youth and Anti-Bullying Policy, Baltimore, MD, November a11, 2011. Moderated two panels: *An Examination of Current Policy and Action* and *A Forward Looking* 1 *Approach*.

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**Toby Treem Guerin** was a Co-presenter at the 2011 Association for Conflict Resolution Annual Conference, *Public Institutions and Public Policy: Promoting the Resolution of Public Policy Issues on a State-Wide Level* October 13, 2011.

Renee Hutchins wrote and op-ed piece that that appeared in the January 29<sup>th</sup> edition of the Baltimore Sun. Prof. Hutchins offered her take on United States v. Jones, the Supreme Court case decided in January declaring law enforcement's installation of a GPS device on an automobile unconstitutional. Prof. Hutchins has been looking at the impact of advancing technology on the fourth amendment for some time and has written one of the seminal law review articles on these complex issues (Tied Up in Knotts? GPS Technology and the Fourth Amendment, 55 UCLA L. Rev. 409 (2007)). To see the op ed, visit: <a href="http://www.baltimoresun.com/news/opinion/oped/bs-ed-scotus-gps-20120129,0,934859.story">http://www.baltimoresun.com/news/opinion/oped/bs-ed-scotus-gps-20120129,0,934859.story</a>.

#### **Peter Holland** presented at the following:

National Consumer Law Conference: panelist, "ABC's of Defending Debt Collection Suits; presenter and panelist, day long "Debt Collection Defense Intensive" (November 4-6, 2011)

Pro Bono Resource Center of Maryland: Trained approximately 40 pro bono lawyers in "Defending Debt Buyer Lawsuits in State Court" (University of Maryland School of Law, October 27, 1011)

Maryland Judicial Institute: Taught sessions on Statutory Attorneys Fee Shifting and Overview of Consumer Law to Maryland Judges (Judicial Training Institute, Annapolis, October 12, 2011)

Maryland Partners for Justice Conference: Trained approximately 40 public interest lawyers in Debt Collection Defense (Pro Bono Action Center, at the Maryland Convention Center, May 26, 2011)

University of Maryland Consumer Law Clinic: Trained approximately 30 private practice attorneys in Debt Collection Defense and Affirmative Claims (University of Baltimore School of Law, May 20, 2011)

Maryland Judicial Leadership Session: Panelist, "Procedural Fairness and the High Volume Docket" (Judicial Education Conference Center, Annapolis, MD April 13, 2011)

**Leigh Maddox** was a panelists at the CATO Institute's Ending the War on Drugs: Impact on Rights and the Rule of Law in the United States, District of Columbia, November 14, 2011. *The Rule of Law Requires the Abolition of Prohibition: A Quest for Justice.* 

#### Kathleen Dachille:



Published an Op-Ed, *Sorrell and the Future of Commercial Speech Regulations*, with Micah Berman and Julie Ralston Aoki, published by The Jurist, October 4, 2011.

The University of Maryland's International Clinic is embarking on its third year of human rights work in Namibia. The Namibia portion of the Clinic, led by **Professor Barbara Olshansky**, is working with local and international groups to establish the human right to water for Namibia's rural population who lack access to the minimum amount of water necessary for human survival. The Clinic has also been collaborating with DLA Piper's New Perimeter Pro Bono program and the Namibia Paralegal Association (NPA) to draft the first comprehensive guide, entitled *Namibian Law and Paralegal Skills Manual*. In Namibia, paralegals are human rights educators and advocates who volunteer and serve as the sole source of access to justice for Namibia's rural poor.

Michael Pinard was a panelist at *The Way to Carnegie: A Conversation about Pedagogy, Social Justice and Cost in Experiential Legal Education*, Boston College Law School, October 28, 2011

Maura Sweeney Moderated a panel: *Protecting Clients and Communities in Immigration Enforcement*, Maryland Partners for Justice Conference, Baltimore, Maryland, May 26, 2011.

She presented *Representing Your Non-Citizen Client*, Maryland Office of the Public Defender, Baltimore, Maryland, September 22 and November 14, 2011 and *Immigration 101*, Maryland Legal Aid Bureau, Domestic Law Unit, November 17, 2011. She also presented "Immigration Law and Psychiatric Care or Testimony," University of Maryland Forensic Psychiatry Fellows Program, Baltimore, Maryland, January 13, 2012.

#### MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY COLLEGE OF LAW

Associate Clinical Professor of Law **Nicole S. Dandridge**, Michigan State University (MSU) College of Law's accomplished Small Business & Nonprofit Law Clinic Director, has been awarded clinical tenure by the Law College faculty, meaning a rolling contract that presumptively never ends. A well-published scholar, Professor Dandridge has also recently earned multiple grants, en route to expanding her program to include high-impact research, policy, and outreach projects. Her current project, the Community Economic Development Inclusiveness Project, centers on efforts to enhance the values of quality, connectivity, and inclusiveness within the university's educational and work environments, including offering legal assistance to international entrepreneurs. She is also launching a new research project to identify legal and government barriers to entrepreneurial activity and job creation in the state, with a focus on Detroit.

The MSU College of Law Legal Clinic was one of eight national recipients of the Thomson Reuters Super-Lawyers ProBono Award for the acclaimed work of its eight clinical programs (Immigration, Small Business/Nonprofit, Housing, First Amendment Law, Plea & Sentencing, Civil Rights, Tax, and Chance at Childhood).

MSU College of Law Housing Law Clinic Assistant Clinical Professor of Law **Elan S. Nichols** filed a Comment, aided by a Research Assistant, with the Michigan State Legislature concerning two proposed bills that would have critically cut short the mortgage loan modification and redemption period processes under Michigan's foreclosure laws. The bills did not advance, and in December the mortgage modification program was extended in Michigan.

The MSU College of Law Housing Law Clinic Fair Housing Project announces the publication of a special section on fair housing law articles in a regional legal newspaper, *Briefs*. The articles, written by students, ranged in topics from sexual orientation discrimination in housing, to protections for the mentally ill in housing settings, to fair lending. The section can be seen on pages 33-45 at <a href="http://inghambar.org/files/February%202012%">http://inghambar.org/files/February%202012%</a>

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Professor Nichols presented an informational seminar and legal memorandum for the MSU Office of Visiting International Students Program and related MSU international student organizations' Libyan students last summer. The students' academic program and residential funding was cut short due to the unrest in Libya, and the students had to abandon their studies and homes and go back overseas in some cases.



The International & Comparative Human Rights Practicum, directed by **Marty Geer**, was held in New Delhi, India during the winter intersession. The Practicum, now in its second year, is a 3-week experientially based course involving faculty and students from India and the United States. After the Practicum's successful first year, the ABA site evaluator concluded: "Overall, I have not seen nor heard of a program that so conscientiously and effectively exposed its students to the legal community, the disjuncture between the laws and their implementation, the challenges to implementation, and the raw struggles for basic human rights." Following that site visit, the ABA approved the program for another five years. This year's program was again taught by GAJE members Professors Krishna SevaRao, M.R.K. Prasad, Fatma Marouf, and Marty Geer at the National Law University in New Delhi, as well as several guest speakers. A poster presentation of the program was shown at the AALS Clinical Conference in Seattle.

Marty has been busy. He also teamed up with **Raquel Aldana (McGeorge) and Bill Berman** (Suffolk), in a double session, *Transforming Students, Transforming Ourselves: Teaching and Learning about Social Change in Context-Three Models of International Clinical Cooperation*, at the GAJE & IJCLE Worldwide Conference at the University of Valencia, Spain. At the conference, Marty was also elected to the International Steering Committee of GAJE for a four-year term.

Congratulations to **Fatma Marouf** on her victory in the 9th Circuit Court of Appeals, *Cole v. Holder*, 659 F.3d 792 (9th Cir. 2011), involving an Afro-Honduran man with serious physical injuries and gang-related tattoos who applied for relief from deportation under the Convention Against Torture, based on his fear of being tortured by the police, rival gang members, and vigilante groups in Honduras. The Ninth Circuit vacated the BIA's decision denying relief, holding that "the BIA did not give reasoned consideration to potentially dispositive testimony by Cole's expert witnesses, corroborating documentary evidence, or evidence concerning removal of tattoos. Nor did it address Cole's argument regarding the intentional denial of medical care or assess Cole's risk of torture in the aggregate." UNLV's immigration clinic is representing Mr. Cole *pro bono* on remand to the BIA.

Boyd is pleased to announce that Mike Kagan has joined our faculty and now teaches with Fatma in the Immi-

gration Clinic, as well as teaching Immigration Law and other courses. Mike comes to us with extensive experience in refugee work, scholarship, and teaching in the Middle East.

Anne Traum presented her paper, "Mass Incarceration at Sentencing," at the ABA Criminal Justice Section Colloquium for Criminal Justice Legal Educators in Washington, D.C.

Ann Cammett, Kate Kruse, and Elizabeth MacDowell participated in the 4th Clinical Law Review Clinical Writers Workshop at New York University School of Law. Kate, who is one of the Co-Editors-in-Chief of the Clinical Law Review, is co-organizing the workshop, an annual event that brings together clinicians engaged in scholarship from across the country to present and discuss their articles. Anni and Elizabeth presented their co-authored work in progress, "Intersectional by Design: Critical Theory, Clinical Pedagogy & Transformative Activism."

#### UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA-CHAPEL HILL



**Professor Deborah Weismann** presented on Engaging Political Economic Structure: Domestic Violence beyond the Criminal Justice Pradigm, VAWA Revisited: Violence Against Women 2011, Yale Law School, Oct. 29, 2011, New Haven, Conn.

Deborah also presented as part of panel at American University, Washington College of Law on September 23 -24, 2011, From Paradigm to Policy: The Politics of Mexican Immigration, ClassCrits IV: Criminalizing Economic Inequality.

#### **BLUHM LEGAL CLINIC**

Bluhm Legal Clinic students and faculty, in partnership with local and national organizations and law firms, secured the exonerations of 11 wrongfully convicted prisoners during the 2011 Fall semester. This significant achievement underscores the impact of important criminal justice reform work being done by the faculty and students of the Bluhm Legal Clinic's Center on Wrongful Convictions and Center on Wrongful Convictions of Youth.

#### **Center on Wrongful Convictions**

Juan Rivera, a client of the Bluhm Legal Clinic's Center on Wrongful Convictions, was recently released from

prison on January 6, 2012 after being wrongfully incarcerated for 19 years. Students and staff from the CWC along with lawyers from Jenner & Block originally won the exoneration on Friday, December 9, 2011, when the Second District Illinois Appellate Court reversed Rivera's rape and murder conviction. Larry Marshall JD '85, co-founder of the Center with current Executive Director Rob Warden, and now the Director of the Clinic at Stanford law School, and his students, joined with the Center and Jenner teams to brief and argue the case before the appellate court. Over the years, more than 30 Northwestern law students contributed to this victory, including several who continued to work on the case after graduating from the Law School.

The Center on Wrongful Convictions won the exoneration of Jacques Rivera, who was convicted of a gang-related murder 21 years ago in Chicago and sentenced to 80 years in prison. Rivera's exoneration is the 70th Cook County exoneration since the Center began tracking such cases in 1989. Rivera was released on October 4, 2011. Center attorneys **Jane Raley and Judy Royal** represented Jacques Rivera.

#### **Roderick MacArthur Justice Center**

The Center recently won a multi-million dollar jury verdict for a client who served 16 years in prison for a murder that he did not commit. On January 24, 2012, a federal jury in Chicago awarded Thaddeus (T.J.) Jimenez \$25 million in damages for the harm he suffered for his wrongful incarceration from 1993 until his exoneration in 2009. MacArthur Justice Center director **Locke Bowman**, along with Northwestern Law alumnus Stuart Chanen JD '85 and Lisa Carter of the Valorem Law Group, and Jon Loevy of Loevy &Loevy, handled this civil case arising from T.J.'s wrongful conviction.

#### **Immigration Law Clinic**

In a case that has taken six years, the Immigration Law Clinic of the Children and Family Justice Center finally won asylum for a mother of three from Tanzania who was the victim of severe domestic violence. After she fled Tanzania, she divorced her husband and was granted sole custody of her three children, but feared returning to her country where her abusive ex-husband was waiting for her there with plans to take her children and circumcise their two daughters. Two students, Michael Monteleone JD '12 and Alex Ruge JD '12, played key roles in preparing the prehearing brief that was filed prior to the October 2011 hearing. Over the past six years, at least ten other students have worked on this case. Students interviewed witnesses in Tanzania; researched Tanzanian civil and customary laws; and found two experts, a psychologist who specializes on the effects of domestic violence and a leading human rights lawyer in Tanzania, who provided pro bono expert testimony.

#### **Center for Wrongful Conviction of Youth (CWCY)**

The Center (http://cwcy.org/) played an integral part in two cases resulting in the exoneration of 9 youth who were wrongfully convicted through false confessions. Robert Taylor, James Harden and Jonathan Barr, all of whom were teenagers at the time they were convicted based upon their false confessions of the 1991 rape and murder of a 14-year-old suburban girl, had their convictions vacated on November 3, 2011. The vacated convictions were based on DNA evidence that excluded them and implicated a known sex offender.

Taylor was represented by Joshua Tepfer, Laura Nirider, and Steven Drizin of the CWCY.

In another case, the CWCY obtained DNA testing, for four men who as teenagers were convicted in 1995 for the rape and murder of a 39-year-old woman in the Englewood neighborhood of Chicago. Their convictions rested on confessions. Judge Paul Biebel vacated the convictions of the four, including CWCY client Terrill Swift.

#### Students and Faculty Travel to Malawi to Represent Prisoners

Northwestern Law clinic students Alexis Ortiz LLMHR '12, Shin Hahn JD '11, Stella Lee JD '12, Maribeth Gainard JD '11, Kari Talbott JD '12, and Katherine Moskop JD '12 accompanied Professor Sandra Babcock to Malawi. The project focused on continuing to advocate on behalf of approximately 200 prisoners who received mandatory death sentences under an antiquated sentencing law later found to be unconstitutional by Malawi's High Court. The students also interviewed and prepared bail applications for a number of men who had been held in pretrial detention for years, which resulted in the release of 36 prisoners over the last five years.

Most recently in November 2011, Professor Babcock returned to Malawi for a tenth time with clinic students **Katie Pulaski JD '12** and **Kaitlyn Pritchard-Williams JD '12**. During the interviews they conducted on previous visits, they identified a number of men who were sentenced to death for crimes they committed as juveniles. Their death sentences have since been commuted to life, but they have served over a dozen years in an adult maximum security prison when they should have been tried and sentenced in the juvenile system. The team sought their release by meeting with prosecutors and defense lawyers. They also traveled to two prisons to investigate how they could assist prisoners who have no entitlement to legal counsel. Finally, they met with villagers to discuss an innovative program in alternative dispute resolution.

#### PACE UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW

The Pace Law Post-Conviction Project team successfully overturned a judgment on appeal, and was granted the right to complete further DNA testing in an effort to prove their client's innocence. The team, comprised of Pace Law students Aharon Diaz, Nick Weiler, Danielle Brown, Sidney Lister, and faculty advisor, Professor Adele Bernhard, has spent thousands of hours working to prove their client, Keith Bush, innocent. The case focuses on a murder that occurred after a party in 1976 for which Bush was found guilty. Since that verdict, witnesses have recanted and DNA evidence has surfaced that may prove Bush innocent.

In 2009, a Suffolk County judge denied a request to test the remaining fingernail scraps, underwear, and a hat for DNA. Over two years later, the Pace Law Post-Conviction Project team has seen that ruling overturned in their clients' favor. The Appellate Division, Second Department decided in an unsigned opinion on December 20, 2011 to allow testing of the fingernail scraps and upheld the exclusion of the underwear and hat. This ruling should go a long way in proving Mr. Bush innocent. **Professor Bernhard** said the panel's holding was "incredibly important," noting that the ability to match someone else's profile "increases the persuasiveness of the evidence" of Mr. Bush's innocence. The victory was also reported in the New York Law Journal. See <a href="http://newswire.blogs.law.pace.edu/2012/01/23/post-conviction-project-victory-reported-in-ny-law-journal/">http://newswire.blogs.law.pace.edu/2012/01/23/post-conviction-project-victory-reported-in-ny-law-journal/</a>



Professor Michael Foreman argued a case in the U.S. Supreme Court yesterday concerning the Family and Medical Leave Act. His students in the Civil Rights Appellate Clinic worked extensively on the case and attended yesterday's argument. Here are some links to the story: <a href="http://www.google.com/hostednews/ap/article/ALeqM5hrtx4BgSyzwpKBxSOEiuRtNnAr3Q?">http://www.google.com/hostednews/ap/article/ALeqM5hrtx4BgSyzwpKBxSOEiuRtNnAr3Q?</a> docId=8f1999e15c16451da9bc57ca33225b74 <a href="http://law.psu.edu/news/coleman\_argument">http://law.psu.edu/news/coleman\_argument</a>

#### **RUTGERS SCHOOL OF LAW-NEWARK**



The Rutgers-Newark Law School faculty, at its January 26 meeting, observed the 80th birthday of Professor Frank Askin, believed to be the oldest active clinician in legal education. The huge scarlet and black birthday cake had a huge Rutgers "R" on the fringe. Askin founded the Rutgers Constitutional Litigation Clinic in 1970 and has been its faculty director for the past 42 years. Askin is also the senior member of the Rutgers faculty, having been appointed upon his graduation from the school in 1966. He holds the title of Distinguished Professor and Robert Knowlton Scholar. He has also served as one of the General Counsel of the American Civil Liberties Union since 1976. In addition to his clinic activities, Askin also teaches Civil Procedure and Election Law.

The Law School is excited to announce that the faculty recently voted unanimously to add to our clinical offerings an Immigrant Rights Clinic, which launched in January 2012. **Professor Anju Gupta** directs the clinic and teaches non-clinical courses at the law school. The clinic serves the local and national immigrant population through a combination of individual client representation and broader advocacy projects. Some IRC students represent immigrants seeking various forms of relief from removal, including asylum for persecuted individuals; protection for victims of human trafficking; protection for battered immigrants; protection for victims of certain types of crimes; protection for abused, abandoned, or neglected immigrant children; and cancellation of removal. Other students engage in broader advocacy projects on behalf of organizational clients, primarily immigrant rights organizations. The subject matter of the advocacy projects will vary from year to year, but might include detention conditions, due process concerns, access to counsel, family reunification, conditions of supervision, consequences of criminal convictions, or enforcement issues. The final products of the projects will vary and might include toolkits for practitioners, research reports, white papers for legal services organizations, amicus briefs, or pro se materials for litigants. In addition to directing and teaching in the clinic, Professor Gupta, who was recently elected to the CLEA Board of Directors, teaches Refugee Law and Professional Responsibility.

Clinic and Professor Penny Venetis and students in Rutgers Law School – Newark's Constitutional Litigation Clinic recently submitted an amicus brief to the U.S. Supreme Court in two human rights cases, *Esther Kiobel v. Royal Dutch Petroleum Co.* and *Asid Mohamad v. Palestinian Authority and Palestine Liberation Organization.* At issue is whether corporations can be sued for violating human rights under the Alien Tort Claims Act of 1789 (ATCA) and the Torture Victims Protection Act of 1991 (TVPA). The Clinic's amicus brief, filed on behalf of civil liberties lawyers and scholars, asks the Supreme Court to look to well established civil rights law under 42 U.S.C. sec. 1983, which has been interpreted for the past 50 years to allow for civil rights suits against corporations when appropriate state action is present. Oral argument was held on February 28, 2012. **Professor Venetis** also presented a paper at the AALS human rights section in January 2012, entitled: "The Broad Jurisprudential Significance of *Sosa v. Alvarez-Machain*: An Honest Assessment of the Role of Federal Judges and Why Customary International Law Can be More Effective Than Constitutional Law for Redressing Serious Abuses." The article is scheduled to be published in the Temple Political and Civil Rights Law Review in February of 2012, and is Professor Venetis's third article on human rights to be published in six months.



#### SEATTLE UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW

In September, Governor Gregoire granted clemency to a Seattle University clinic client who had been sentenced to life without parole. The client had been one of the first people to receive such a sentence under Washington's Three Strikes law. Paul Holland and two Clinic students, Ryan Pauley and Josh Springer, filed the petition for clemency in 2009 based on the client's impressive record of constructive activity during his incarceration.

In September 2011, Seattle University School of Law hosted, "Learning to Listen, Listening to Learn: Improving Domestic Violence Response – Third Annual Domestic Violence Symposium." Jane Stoever (Seattle U.) was a lead member of the planning committee and Deborah Epstein (Georgetown) provided a keynote address for this two-day conference, which was attended by an interdisciplinary audience of over 400 people.

Lisa Brodoff, along with her Legal Writing colleagues Professors Mary Bowman and Sara Rankin, spoke on a panel at the AALS conference in D.C. in early January. We presented on collaborative legal writing and clinical skills projects that enhance student skills and motivation during the first year program. These integrated skills projects utilize "real world" legal problems and engage students with legal writing faculty, clinical faculty, and community service.

Bryan Adamson, Lisa Brodoff, Mary Jane Brogan, Paul Holland, and Jane Stoever are participating in a Racial Justice Leadership Institute at Seattle University. The purpose of the institute is to train faculty and staff in leadership skills for working in all areas of the profession in ways that resist systems of privilege and oppression.

At the Northwest Clinical Law Conference last Fall, Jane Stoever and Paul Holland presented on the use of narrative theory in advocacy. Jill Dutton presented on "Teaching about Language Access in Experiential Learning—the ABA Standards"

**Gillian Dutton**, who teaches the judicial, civil and criminal seminars in the externship program, developed a new seminar for international externs this year. Gillian presented the course, and her efforts to incorporate the concept of attorneys as global citizens into her other seminars, in a workshop at the Externship 6 Conference in Boston this March. Due to expanding interest in externships, Seattle University has added additional faculty in the criminal seminar and in a new seminar that focuses on the role of externs in business and in-house counsel positions.

Gillian continues to work on language access and is considered a national expert in that area. She provided technical assistance at a day-long convening of 90 federal government agencies on September 16th, 2011 in Washington, D.C. Organized jointly by the Annie E. Casey Foundation and the Center for Immigrant Integration at the Migration Policy Institute, "Implementing Language Access Plans: What Works? What Counts?". Gillian gave the welcome address at the annual conference of the Washington State Coalition for Language Access held in Olympia Washington(October 2011). Gillian also led a session for Washington state agencies at the conference entitled "Implementing a Successful Language Access Program." She presented on "The Role of Language Access in Immigrant Integration" in October 2011.

This past year, Gillian worked with SU's first Leadership for Justice Fellow, Kristi Cruz, as a consultant to draft the ABA Standards on Language Access. The standards were approved February 7 by the ABA House of Delegates at the ABA midyear meeting in New Orleans. To review the complete revised Standards, the ABA Resolution 113, and the CCJ / COSCA Resolution in support of the Standards, see: <a href="http://www.americanbar.org/groups/legal">http://www.americanbar.org/groups/legal</a> aid indigent defendants/initiatives/language access.html

### SETON HALL | LAW

#### **Presentations**

Rachel Lopez, Clinical Teaching Fellow, Seton Hall Law School Center for Social Justice, was a speaker on *Getting Away with Murder: The False Choice between Peace and Justice in Post-Conflict Society*, at VIO-LENCE, MEMORY, AND HUMAN RIGHTS: AN INTERDISCIPLINARY CONFERENCE, held at the University of South Florida, in Tampa, Florida, in January 2012.

**Lori A. Nessel,** Professor of Law and Director of the Seton Hall Law School Center for Social Justice, served as the Commencement speaker at the recent ceremony in honor of the students who graduated from L'Ecole Superieure Catholique de Droit de Jérémie (ESCDROJ), a small Catholic law school located in Jérémie, Haiti, and a sister school of Seton Hall Law. Professor Nessel delivered a commencement address in October 2011 that tied the law schools together, bound by their shared commitment to social justice.

#### Cases

Linda Fisher, Professor of Law, and Practitioner-in Residence Kyle Rosenkrans, of Seton Hall Law School Center for Social Justice, recently filed an *amicus* brief in the New Jersey Supreme Court case, *U.S. Bank v. Guillaume*. Several years into a statewide foreclosure crisis, the New Jersey Supreme Court is set to issue its first significant opinion that could clarify the rights of hundreds of thousands of New Jersey homeowners facing foreclosure in the years to follow. Working with the Center for Responsible Lending in Washington, D.C., Professors Linda Fisher and Kyle Rosenkrans and their students in the Civil Litigation Clinic, Prabhkaran Bedi '12, Michelle O'Brien '12, Wolfgang Robinson '12 and German Rozencranc '12, filed a brief that centered on the importance of enforcing long-standing state and federal protections for homeowners facing foreclosures. The brief highlighted several key issues: 1) the evidence necessary to obtain default foreclosure judgments, 2) the content of foreclosure notices sent to borrowers and 3) procedures for litigating defenses under the federal Truth in Lending Act. Pictured left to right: Prof. Fisher, Michelle O'Brien '12, German Rozencranc '12 and Practitioner Kyle Rosenkrans. The Center for Social Justice's *amicus* brief can be read at: http://law.shu.edu/ProgramsCenters/PublicIntGovServ/CSJ/Making-a-Difference-Cases.cfm.

The **Seton Hall Law School Center for Social Justice**, co-counsel Education Law Center, and the Gibbons Fellowship in Public Interest and Constitutional Litigation recently settled a historic class-action lawsuit, *M.A v. Newark Public Schools and New Jersey Department of Education*, against Newark Public Schools and the State of New Jersey, resolving claims that the District and State had failed in their obligations to appropriately locate, evaluate, and educate children with disabilities. The settlement, protecting the interests of several thousand Newark children, will result in major improvements in special education services in NPS. Students will be able to access special education services on a timely basis and will be provided with compensatory education for services they missed in the past. Highlights of the order include implementation of a comprehensive special education database; mandatory staff training; extensive reporting of compliance activities; guidelines for corrective action; independent monitoring of special education services; and communication with Newark residents about the order and progress made under it.



**Shavar Jeffries**, Associate Professor of Law, Seton Hall Law School Center for Social Justice, and the Center's Urban Revitalization Project represented the parents and children in this matter for nearly a decade. In addition to Professor Jeffries, former Practitioner-in-Residence Avidan Cover and Clinical Teaching Fellows Jessica Yager and Scott Michelman, and a series

of clinical students also worked on this case and helped to achieve this result. Professor Jeffries represented the plaintiff class in this case from 2001-2008, when he recused himself from further involvement upon assuming the role of Assistant Attorney General for the State of New Jersey. His recusal continued thereafter, when he was elected in April 2010 to the Newark Public Schools Advisory Board.



**Barbara Moses**, Visiting Clinical Professor, Seton Hall Law School Center for Social Justice, successfully negotiated a favorable post-appeal settlement on behalf of the Center's client, Ismoil Samadov, obtaining both a significant improvement in the client's "conditions of supervision" and a substantial fee award in the wake of the Third Circuit's decision in *Yusupov v. Attorney General*, 650 F.3d 968 (3d Cir. 2011). Mr. Samadov, an Uzbeki Muslim, applied for withholding of removal on the ground that he would be persecuted and tortured should he be deported to Uzbekistan. The immigration courts, including the Board of Immigration Appeals, agreed that Mr. Samadov would be persecuted and tortured if deported, but denied his application on the ground that he was a danger to the security of the United States. Professor Baher Azmy, Seton Hall Law Center for Social Justice, who previously directed the Civil Rights and Constitutional Litigation Clinic and is now on leave serving as Litigation Director at the Center for Constitutional Rights, appealed the BIA ruling to the Third Circuit, where Mr. Samadov's case was consolidated with the appeal of another Uzbeki Muslim, Bekhzod Yusupov. The Third Circuit unanimously held that neither Mr. Samadov nor Mr. Yusupov was a danger to the United States, and took the unusual step of directing the BIA to grant their applications for withholding of removal.

#### **New Programs**

**Lori Nessel**, Professor of Law and Director of the Seton Hall Law Center for Social Justice and **Rachel Lopez**, Clinical Teaching Fellow, launched the Center's new Guatemala Rule of Law Program. Prof. Nessel and Fellow Lopez led a delegation of six Seton Hall Law students to study and support the development of the rule of law in different regions of Guatemala in October 2011. The Program exposed students to issues involving access to justice in a post-conflict country and support the human rights work of local Guatemalan partners. Pictured, front row left to right: Jennifer Vasquez '13, Fellow Rachel Lopez, Jessica Zamora '13, Kimberly Krone '12, and Sebastian Sanchez '12. Back row, left to right: Javier Calderón, a law student at Universidad Rafael Landívar, Matthew Blair '13, CSJ Director, Professor Lori Nessel, and Santos Flores '12.

During the visit, the delegation met with Guatemalan law students, professors, judges and human rights advocates who shared their struggles to promote rule of law through advocacy, litigation, direct legal services and legal education.

#### ST. LOUIS UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW

The Clinic joined with the Law School's Center for the Interdisciplinary Study of Law to present "Battered Women Who Kill," a symposium which included presentations by women who served lengthy sentences after killing their abusers, as well as presentations by Clinic faculty who served as their attorneys.

Clinic students joined with students from the Banking Regulation course to attend a training on foreclosure actions in Illinois. The students from both groups will work together to represent families in a new foreclosure mediation program in Madison County, Illinois.

Clinic faculty and students, led by SLU's new Dean, **Annette Clark**, made a return trip to Joplin, Missouri, in October to spend fall break helping the victims of last May's devastating tornado. The team provided a legal clinic, cleaned a farm field of storm debris, and worked with Joplin High School students on their presentation skills in a national constitutional competition.

Clinic students and faculty are serving as the Court's Attorney in bringing contempt actions in St. Louis County to enforce orders of protection. The team presents evidence to uphold court orders which require respondents to attend batterers' intervention programs.

The Director of the Missouri Department of Labor visited at the Legal Clinic to thank students for their representation of unemployed Missourians seeking unemployment compensation benefits.

Civil Litigation Clinic students, supervised by Professor **Brendan Roediger**, continue to focus on housing and consumer issues, including foreclosure defense and debt collection practices. The Clinic is currently moving for class certification in a lawsuit on behalf of East Saint Louis residents residing in substandard housing purchased on an installment or "bond for deed" basis.

Other Civil Litigation Clinic students, supervised by Professor **John Ammann**, traveled to federal court in Jefferson City to participate in a mediation session as part of the effort to resolve a class action against the State of Missouri which claims the State has failed to adequately provide mental health services for the deaf.

The Community & Economic Development Clinic, in an interdisciplinary effort, worked with the School of Medicine to obtain 501(c)(3) status for a new nonprofit which will provide pediatricians in Haiti training in the latest medical techniques to benefit children. The nonprofit will also help support a new school in Haiti for the



poorest children there.

Child advocacy students started a new project with medical residents at St. Louis Children's Hospital called "keeping the power on" to address utility insecurity in patients and clients of the St. Louis children's health advocacy project. Students will utilize multiple mediums of advocacy from legislative advocacy to direct advocacy with utility agencies.



Professor Amany Ragab Hacking discussed anti-immigration legislation in an hour-long televi-

sion program on a St. Louis station. In addition, she presented at the Externships 6 conference in Boston on "Designing an Effective Classroom Component for Students in Diverse Placements" and will present at the upcoming AALS Clinical Conference in Los Angeles on preparing students for judicial externships and clerkships.

## UNIVERSITY OF ST. THOMAS SCHOOL OF LAW INTERPROFESSIONAL CENTER FOR COUNSELING AND LEGAL SERVICES

Professor **Mark Osler**, Director of the Federal Commutations Clinic, is featured on Fox 9 News, explaining the history of pardon power On January 12, 2012. Watch the full story, <u>Professor Examines Pardon Power, History</u>.

The Minnesota Spokesman-Recorder covers the work of **Prof. Nekima Levy-Pounds** in a December 14, 2011 story, <u>Local law professor finds her calling in civil rights work</u>.

**Prof. Artika Tyner**, Clinical Faculty in the Community Justice Project, was featured in the Alan Page Alumni Foundation Martin Luther King Service Day e-newsletter.

Our IPC Co-Director, **George Baboila**, was the recipient of the 2011 THE HEART OF SOCIAL WORK AWARD. We are overjoyed by our very own winning the prestigious national award. Congratulations George! Please read more about the honor from George's colleagues in the School of Social Work. <a href="http://www.stthomas.edu/ipc/news/counseling/GeorgeHeartSocialWorkAward.html">http://www.stthomas.edu/ipc/news/counseling/GeorgeHeartSocialWorkAward.html</a>

Professor **Virgil Wiebe**, Director of the Legal Services Clinic and the Immigration Law Practice Group, speaks of Gadhafi's death and his work with the Mines Advisory Group on Channel 5 Eyewitness News. <a href="http://kstp.com/article/stories/S2338181.shtml">http://kstp.com/article/stories/S2338181.shtml</a>

Prof. **Jennifer Wright**, Director of the Elder Law Practice Group (ELPG), was interviewed by the St. Paul Pioneer Press on October 1, 2011 about the exploitation of an elderly couple by family members.

"Ruben Rosario: Aging St. Paul couple losing home to alleged family deceit"

In the wake of the Amanda Knox case in Italy, Professor Virgil Wiebe, Director of the Legal Services Clinic and the Immigration Law Practice Group, was interviewed by CBS Minnesota on October 3, 2011 about what rights U.S. citizens carry with them as they travel abroad. <a href="http://minnesota.cbslocal.com/2011/10/03/good-question-what-are-americans-legal-rights-abroad/">http://minnesota.cbslocal.com/2011/10/03/good-question-what-are-americans-legal-rights-abroad/</a>

#### STANFORD LAW SCHOOL



In December 2011, the Illinois Appellate Court reversed the conviction of Juan Rivera, a client whom a large group of Stanford Law students represented. Just hours after the prosecutor's announcement on January 6, 2012 that he would not appeal the decision, Mr. Rivera walked out of prison and breathed free air for the first time in more than 19 years. Mr. Rivera had been convicted twice of a 1992 rape and murder of an 11-year old. The conviction was based on a confession he signed after 36 hours of tag-team questioning and while in a psychotic state. The Appellate Court found evidence that the interrogators had leaked facts to him and that the interrogators and prosecutors had then claimed that Mr. Rivera's knowledge of these facts was proof positive of his guilt. The students who worked on the case are: Davida Brook, Chad Clark, Kara Kapp, Aaron Kurman, Rachel Marshall, Sara Mayeux, Allegra McLeod, Annie Osburne, Zoe Palitz, Michelle Parris, Patricia Pei, Nick Xenakis & Katie Young. Professor Larry Marshall wrote the appeal brief. Lawyers and students from Northwestern Law School's Center on Wrongful Conviction and the Chicago office of Jenner & Block also participated in the appeal.

#### VERMONT LAW SCHOOL

When **Amanda George**, Vermont Law School Class of 2011, met her client in VLS's Vermont Immigrant Assistance (VIA) project, she found the young woman's accounts of abuse suffered at the hands of her husband "appalling." She had come to the U.S. as a child, married at a young age, and appeared to Amanda to be "completely terrified and exhausted from her husband's emotional, physical, and sexual abuse." Following a few months of evidence gathering, a VAWA self-petition was filed on behalf of the client; Tyler Corn, VLS '12, then played a major role in helping the client subsequently attain lawful permanent resident status. VLS

Assistant Professor Arthur Edersheim, VIA Project Coordinator since 2003, involves about 25 students per year in the project. Case types focus on the most vulnerable immigrants in often-complex cases,

U Visas (victims of crime) and VAWA and I-751 waivers (both dealing with domestic violence). Art is a member of the Vermont Human Trafficking Task Force, and has begun a collaborative relationship with the University of Vermont's Behavioral Therapy and Psychotherapy Center to further develop the Center's New England Survivors of Torture and Trauma (NESTT) program, which helps torture survivors file asylum applications. As part of the effort, VLS JD students will partner with UVM PhD psychology students on cases to improve the effectiveness of both forensic evaluations and presentation of evidence.



#### **Appellate Advocacy Clinic**

The Appellate Advocacy Clinic, with eight students this year, is handling seven appeals in five different appellate jurisdictions: Fourth Circuit, Seventh Circuit, Eleventh Circuit, Delaware Supreme Court, and North Carolina Court of Appeals. The cases include one direct criminal appeal, two federal habeas corpus cases in which the underlying convictions were in state court, two common law negligence cases, a state prisoner's lawsuit removed to federal court, and a federal tort claim that also involves bankruptcy law. The Clinic has won two of the appeals and is either still briefing or awaiting decision in the others.

On January 24, 3L Clinic member Hannah Davis argued to the Fourth Circuit in *Lisenby v. Lear*. The case poses issues of first impression for any circuit: whether defendant law enforcement officials can remove a case from state court to federal court based on federal question jurisdiction, when the plaintiff could not have filed the case in federal court himself due to his status as a "three-strikes" plaintiff under the Prisoner Litigation Reform Act; and whether the appellate court has jurisdiction to review an order remanding the case to state court.

The Clinic attended oral arguments at the Supreme Court of the United States, toured the courthouse, and met with Clerk of Court William Suter, on January 17. An attorney in one of the cases argued that day was later a guest speaker at one of the Clinic's weekly meetings.

Carol Turowski developed a new court "Scientific Evidence in the Criminal Cases". The course explores the increasingly important intersection of law, science, social science and technology in the criminal justice system.

Carol participated in the Wake Forest Law Review Fall Symposium, *Community Prosecution and Community Defense*, on Nov. 3, 2011 organized and hosted by **Professor Ron Wright.** 

#### **UPCOMING CONFERENCES**

#### SOUTHERN REGIONAL CONFERENCE

The Southern Clinical Conference will gather clinicians from across the South and elsewhere in Knoxville at the University of Tennessee on March 16 and 17. The theme of the conference is *CLINICAL EDUCATION AND THE PURSUIT OF SOCIAL JUSTICE*, and a wide variety of presenters and topics around this theme should prove to be a terrific professional experience. The conference promises to be an excellent opportunity to get together with fellow clinicians, both old colleagues and new, to identify common issues, to improve our professional lives and share ideas about the teaching, service and scholarship in which we engage. Please consider attending. The full schedule and registration materials can be found at <a href="http://www.law.utk.edu/clinic/12SoClinicConfSched.pdf">http://www.law.utk.edu/clinic/12SoClinicConfSched.pdf</a>

#### UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND FRANCIS KING CAREY SCHOOL OF LAW

Balancing Science and Politics: The Challenges of Implementing Medical Marijuana Laws – April 13, 2012

The Maryland Carey School of Law's Law & Health Care Program, Network for Public Health Law—Eastern Region, and Maryland School of Pharmacy will host a conference entitled *Balancing Science and Politics: The Challenges of Implementing Medical Marijuana Laws*. This conference is an example of how work produced by a legal clinic—the Public Health Law Clinic directed by Kathleen Dachille—can be blended with scholarly work of traditional faculty—Diane Hoffmann, Associate Dean—to create a multidisciplinary approach to a public health problem.

Seventeen states and D.C. have passed laws decriminalizing the use of medical marijuana; other states are considering such measures. Each jurisdiction has taken a different legislative and regulatory approach to decriminalization, resulting in a patchwork of laws across the nation. Issues to be addressed at the conference include:

1) Preemption Issues in State Decriminalization Efforts; 2) Legal Issues Relating to Marijuana Dispensaries; 3) Public Health Implications of Medical Marijuana Decriminalization; and 4) Monitoring and Medical Marijuana in Health Care Facilities. The final session of the conference will feature an interactive discussion in which conference participants will discuss what the ideal elements of a model medical marijuana decriminalization law might be.

The goal of the conference is to bring together state regulators, public health officials, legal academics, health scientists and academics, legislators and others to discuss lessons learned from efforts to decriminalize medical marijuana and recommendations for future legislative efforts in this area. For more information contact Virginia Rowthorn at <a href="www.vrowthorn@law.umaryland.edu">wrowthorn@law.umaryland.edu</a>

### 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Veterans' Legal Assistance Conference & Training – April 20, 2012:

Designed for lawyers, law students, veterans, policy makers and other service professionals, this conference will provide a forum for discussion of critical legal issues facing our veterans, including claims related to traumatic brain injury, military sexual trauma, and family law matters. The conference also includes a training session for lawyers interested in representing veterans *pro bono* in claims for service-connected disability benefits. The conference & training are FREE, but advance registration is required.

**Conference organizers include:** Homeless Persons Representation Project, Pro Bono Resource Center of Maryland, University of Maryland Francis King Carey School of Law – Clinical Law Program and the Veterans' Affairs and Military Law Committee of the Maryland State Bar Association. **To register for the conference or training, contact Kiah Elmore at 410-837-9379 or <a href="mailto:kelmore@probonomd.org">kelmore@probonomd.org</a>** 

## The 10th Annual Colloquium of the International Union for the Conservation of Nature (IUCN) Academy of Environmental Law Global Environmental Law at a Crossroads - July 1-5, 2012.

The year 2012 will mark the 40th anniversary of the Stockholm Conference on the Human Environment and the 20th anniversary of the Rio Earth Summit. But when world leaders gather for the "Rio+20" conference next June, they will face a markedly different climate than during their previous gatherings. Despite rising concern for the environment, efforts to advance global environmental governance are facing headwinds in the wake of the global financial crisis and the failure to reach consensus on a post-Kyoto response to climate change.

The IUCN's 10th Annual Colloquium will consider alternative future paths for the development of global environmental law and governance in the aftermath of the UN's "Rio+20" Conference. Looking backwards, the Colloquium will examine what has worked and what has failed and why. Looking forward, it will explore opportunities for overcoming political resistance to sustainable development policies and new strategies for improving national, regional and international environmental law.

For more information, please contact Suzann Langrall, Coordinator, Environmental Law Program at <u>slangrall@law.umaryland.edu</u> or 410-706-4529.

#### ATROCITY CRIMES LITIGATION YEAR-in-REVIEW CONFERENCE

The Center for International Human Rights at Northwestern University School of Law will host the Annual Atrocity Crimes Litigation Year-in-Review (2011) Conference on March 14, 2012, at the Special Tribunal for Lebanon in The Hague. Each year the CIHR convenes this conference to examine the practice and jurisprudence of the major war crimes tribunals during the immediately preceding calendar year. Moderated by Professor David Scheffer, the conference brings together prosecutors, judges, defense counsel, investigators, and administrators of the tribunals, as well as a distinguished academic commentator, to hold a day-long discussion about the preceding year's developments in the dynamic field of international criminal law and where it is litigated.

#### UNIVERSITY OF BALTIMORE SCHOOL OF LAW

#### CENTER FOR FAMILIES, CHILDREN AND THE COURTS

CFCC will host its fourth annual Urban Child Symposium, "The Beginning or the End? The Urban Child's Experience in the Juvenile Justice System" on April 12, 2012. **Professor Bernardine Dohrn**, Clinical Associate Professor of Law and founder/immediate past director, Children and Family Justice Center, Northwestern University School of Law, will be the keynote speaker. For further information about CFCC and any of its initiatives, please contact Professor Barbara A. Babb at 410-837-5661, bbabb@ubalt.edu, or consult CFCC's website at: http://.law.ubalt.edu/cfcc.

The American Bar Association Criminal Justice Section is holding roundtables throughout the country discussing how to reduce the criminal justice system's reliance on incarceration. The New York State roundtable will be in June at Brooklyn Law School. Please e-mail professor Lisa Smith at <a href="mailto:lisa.smith@brooklaw.edu">lisa.smith@brooklaw.edu</a> with any articles or proposals that might be appropriate for discussion at the roundtable.

The American Bar Association's Special Committee on Gun Violence will be hosting a CLE entitled "Lawyers, Guns, and Doctors: The Emerging 'Gun Rights' Challenge to Free Speech on Personal and Societal Harms Arising from Firearms," at the ABA annual meeting in August. If anyone is interested in this particular CLE topic or joining this committee please email <u>Lisa.Smith@brooklaw.edu</u>.

Representing the Vulnerable and Remembering Ralph Abascal: Lessons from the 1970s will be held at

UC Hastings College of Law Alumni Reception Center, 200 McAllister Street, Second Floor, Friday, March 16, 2012,11:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. Please visit the featured events section at www.uchastings.edu to register.

Clinical Theory Workshops to be held at New York Law School: **Friday, March 30, 2012**: Renée M. Hutchins, University of Maryland School of Law, *You Can't Handle the Truth! Appellate Review of Credibility* **Friday, April 20, 2012**: Robert J. Condlin, University of Maryland School of Law, *The Curious Case of Transformative Dispute Resolution: An Unfortunate Marriage of Intransigence, Exclusivity, and Hype* 

All clinical and skills teachers are invited, and you're welcome to get on the e-mail distribution list to receive the papers even if you don't expect to make it to New York City for the meetings. If you'd like to be on the e-mail list, please contact Steve Ellmann, who chairs the workshops, at <a href="mailto:stephen.ellmann@nyls.edu">stephen.ellmann@nyls.edu</a>.

# WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY (ST. LOUIS) SCHOOL OF LAW YOUTH JUSTICE CONFERENCE EVOLVING STANDARDS IN JUVENILE JUSTICE:

#### FROM GAULT TO GRAHAM AND BEYOND

#### Day One - Thursday, March 22, 2012

Our programming begins on Thursday at 12:00 noon with a lunch hour *Public Interest Law & Policy Speaker Series* talk by Professor Kris Henning (Georgetown Law). Professor Henning will address the topics of **Over-criminalization of Normal Adolescent Development in Communities of Color and the Crisis in Indigent Juvenile Defense** in the Bryan Cave Courtroom. For more information about this talk, including CLE details, visit the event webpage: http://law.wustl.edu/pilss/index.aspx?id=1058

Immediately following the PILPSS talk we celebrate the anniversary of *Liddell v. Board of Education of St. Louis*, a landmark school desegregation case, with a Thursday afternoon conference. This event, **Liddell is 40: Commemorating the Desegregation Movement in St. Louis and A Look at the Future of Urban Education**, will feature speakers including Paulette M. Caldwell (NYU Law), Maurice R. Dyson (Thomas Jefferson School of Law), D. Bruce LaPierre (Washington University Law), Judge Stephen Limbaugh Sr., Michael Liddell, Kimberly Jade Norwood (Washington University Law), Cedric Merlin Powell (University of Louisville), Wendy Parker (Wake Forest University Law), Leland Ware (University of Delaware Law) and Dr. John A Wright. For more information about this event, including registration and CLE details, please visit the event webpage: <a href="http://law.wustl.edu/events/pages.aspx?id=9076">http://law.wustl.edu/events/pages.aspx?id=9076</a>

#### Day Two - Friday, March 23, 2012

On **Friday, March 23, 2012**, we will host our *12th Annual Access to Equal Justice Colloquium*, sponsored by the Washington University Clinical Legal Education Program, Missouri Office of the Public Defender, the National Juvenile Defender Center, and the Gephardt Institute for Public Service. This day-long conference will focus on the past, present and future of juvenile justice. The goal of this event, **Evolving Standards in Juvenile Justice: From Gault to Graham and Beyond**, is to engage theoretical and practical issues in youth justice and advocacy, building and sharing expertise on the national, regional, and local levels.

This program will feature plenary panels with juvenile law experts from across the country including Doug Abrams (University of MO Law), Tamar Birckhead (UNC Law), Tim Decker (MO Division of Youth Services), Steve Drizin (Northwestern Law), Sarah Jane Forman (Detroit Law), Tricia Harrison (SLU Law), Kristin Henning (Georgetown Law), Randy Hertz (NYU Law), Kim McLaurin (Suffolk Law), Kathryn Pierce (Washington University Law), Lourdes Rosado (Juvenile Law Center), and Sandra Simkins (Rutgers Law). Interdisciplinary sessions and working group discussions will focus on such issues as adolescent development, parents as partners in youth justice, disproportionate minority contact with the justice system, and

school-to-prison pipeline problems. For more information about this event, including registration and CLE/CEU details, visit the event webpage: <a href="http://law.wustl.edu/accessequaljustice/">http://law.wustl.edu/accessequaljustice/</a>

## The Clinical Law Review will hold its next Clinical Writers' Workshop on Saturday, September 29, 2012, at NYU Law School.

The Workshop will provide an opportunity for clinical teachers who are writing about any subject (clinical pedagogy, substantive law, interdisciplinary analysis, empirical work, etc.) to meet with other clinicians writing on related topics to discuss their works-in-progress and brainstorm ideas for further development of their articles. Attendees will meet in small groups organized by the subject matter in which they are writing. Each group will "workshop" the draft of each member of the group. Participation in the Workshop requires the submission of a paper because the workshop takes the form of small group sessions in which all members of the group comment on each other's manuscripts. By June 30, all applicants will need to submit a mini-draft or prospectus, 3-5 pages in length, of the article they intend to present at the workshop. Full drafts of the articles will be due by September 1, 2012.

As in the previous *Clinical Law Review* Workshops, participants will not have to pay an admission or registration fee but participants will have to arrange and pay for their own travel and lodging. To assist those who wish to participate but who need assistance for travel and lodging, NYU Law School has committed to provide 10 scholarships of up to \$750 per person to help pay for travel and lodging. The scholarships are designed for those clinical faculty who receive little or no travel support from their law schools and who otherwise would not be able to attend this conference without scholarship support. **Applicants for scholarships will be asked to submit, with their 3-5 page prospectus, by June 30, a proposed budget for travel and lodging and a brief statement of why the scholarship would be helpful in supporting their attendance at this conference. The Board will review all scholarship applications and issue decisions about scholarships in early July. The scholarships are conditioned upon recipients' meeting all requirements for workshop participation, including timely submission of drafts.** 

If you have any comments or suggestions you would like to send us, we would be very happy to hear from you. Comments and suggestions should be sent to Randy Hertz at <a href="mailto:randy.hertz@nyu.edu">randy.hertz@nyu.edu</a>.

-- The Board of Editors of the Clinical Law Review

#### **BOOKS AND PUBLICATIONS**





West Publishing Company released the Fourth Edition of Alabama Elder Law co-authored by **Hugh M. Lee** (with Jo Alison Taylor). This 1450-page treatise addresses the most common legal issues faced by elderly clients. The treatise is the primary resource for elder law practitioners, the treatises provides easy access to some basic sources of law, analysis of the issues, suggested strategies, and useful forms. Hugh directs the Elder Law Clinic.

#### UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS LAW SCHOOL

Professor **Tim Tarvin** published "Bankruptcy, Relocation, and the Debtor's Dilemma: Preserving Your Homestead Exemption Versus Accepting the New Job Out of State", 43 Loy. U. Chi. 141 (2011).

#### CLEVELAND MARSHALL COLLEGE OF LAW

**David Barnhizer,** has two forthcoming articles: "The Purposes and Methods of American Legal Education", 36 Journal of the Legal Profession, Issue 1 (2012); and "Abandoning an "Unethical" System of Legal Ethics", 2012 Michigan State Law Review, Issue 1.

#### UNIVERSITY OF CONNECTICUT SCHOOL OF LAW

**Jim Stark and Doug Frankel** (Pennsylvania) completed the second edition of their widely adopted mediation textbook, The Practice of Mediation: A Video-integrated Text. The book will be published by Aspen Law & Business in April, 2012.

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## CREIGHTON UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW

**Kelly Lynn Anders** published a book, Advocacy to Zealousness: Learning Lawyering Skills from Classic Films (Carolina Academic Press) 2012. Details are available at <a href="http://www.cap-press.com/books/isbn/9781594607981/Advocacy+to+Zealousness">http://www.cap-press.com/books/isbn/9781594607981/Advocacy+to+Zealousness</a>.

# UNIVERSITY OF DENVER STURM COLLEGE OF LAW

**Christopher Lasch**, published *Litigating Immigration Detainer Issues*, a chapter in Colorado Bar Association, Immigration Law for the Colorado Practitioner (2011).

# UNIVERSITY OF DETROIT MERCY SCHOOL OF LAW

Professor Sarah Jane Forman's article *Countering Criminalization: A Youth Development Approach to School Searches* was published this winter in The Scholar: St. Mary's Law review on Minority Issues, Volume 14, Number 2.

#### UNIVERSITY OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA SCHOOL OF LAW

**Kristina Campbell** (Assistant Professor and Director, Immigration & Human Rights Clinic) published an article in the most recent issue of the Harvard Latino Law Review, *The Road to SB 1070: How Arizona Became Ground Zero for the Immigrants' Rights Movement and the Continuing Struggle for Latino Civil Rights in America, 14 HARV. LATINO L. REV. 1* (2011).

## FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW

Larry Krieger published his article "The Most Ethical of People, the Least Ethical of People: Proposing Self Determination Theory to Measure Professional Character Formation" in the Fall, 2011 St. Thomas Law Journal.

## GEORGE WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW

Professor **Peter Meyers** published *Fixing the Flaws in the Federal Vaccine Injury Compensation Program*, 63 Administrative Law Review 785 (2011).

Professor **Susan Jones** co-authored (with Shirley J. Jones) *Innovative Approaches to Public Service Through Institutionalized Action Research: Reflections from Law and Social Work*, 33 U. Ark. Little Rock L. Rev. 377 (2011).

Professor **Arturo Carrillo** co-authored *Re-imagining the Human Rights Law Clinic*, 26 Maryland Journal of International Law Review 80 (2011).

Professor **Laurie Kohn** co-authored the 2011 edition of Litigating Protection Order Cases, a practice manual used by attorneys litigating domestic violence cases in the D. C. courts.

Dean **Phyllis Goldfarb** co-authored *Re-vision Quest: A Law School Guide to Designing Experiential Courses Involving Real Lawyering*, 56 New York Law Review 517 (2011-12).

#### GEORGETOWN UNIVERSITY LAW CENTER

**Michael Diamond** has just completed the editing of a book, Community Home and Identity, comprised of papers from a prior ALPS conference, that will be published by Ashgate.

# UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND FRANCIS KING CAREY SCHOOL OF LAW

Jane Barrett

Published the article *When Business Conduct Turns Violent: Bringing BP, Massey, and Other Scofflaws to Justice*, 48 American Criminal Law Review 287 (2011).

# **Brenda Bratton Blom**



Forthcoming: Book Published with others, Community Economic Development Law: A Text for Engaged Learning (2012)

# **Douglas L. Colbert:**



Published the article *Prosecution Without Representation*, 59 Buff. L. Rev. 333-454 (2011)

Published the article *Clinical Law Professors' Professional Responsibility*: Preparing Law Students to Embrace Pro Bono, 18 Geo. J. on Poverty Law & Pol'y 309 (2011)

#### Jerome Deise:



Published with others, *The Confrontation Clause and the Hearsay Rule: What Exceptions are Testimonial?*, 40 University of Baltimore Law Forum 155 (2010) (with others).

# **Deborah Thompson Eisenberg:**



Published *Money, Sex, and Sunshine: A Market-Based Approach to Pay Discrimination*, 43 Ariz. St. L.J. 951 (2011).

Her piece, Shattering the Equal Pay Act's Glass Ceiling, 63 SMU L. REV. 17 (2010), was selected for reprint in WOMEN AND THE LAW (West 2011), a collection of leading articles in the field.

## Peter Holland:



Published, *The One Hundred Billion Dollar Problem in Small Claims Court: Robo-Signing and Lack of Proof in Debt Buyer Cases*, 6 Journal of Business & Technology Law 101 (2011).

#### Renée Hutchins:



*Book Review*, 47 Criminal Law Bulletin 522 (2011) (reviewing Michelle Alexander, The New Jim Crow (2010)).

Published, *Anatomy of a Search: Intrusiveness and the Fourth Amendment*, Search and Seizure Law Report, Mar. 2011, at 21.

## Michael Pinard:



Blog: *Engaging Reentry*, The White House/Champions of Change Blog, October 2011. **Maureen Sweeney:** 



"Penalty and Proportionality in Deportation for Crimes," Saint Louis University Public Law Review, vol. 31, No. 1 (forthcoming 2012).

#### MICHIGAN STATE LAW REVIEW

Professor of Law, MSU Law Tax Clinic Director, and overall Legal Clinic Director **Michele LaForest Halloran** edited Chapter 19 of the recently-published 5th edition of the ABA Publication *Effectively Representing Your Client Before the IRS* (the chapter addresses innocent spouse relief under the Internal Revenue Code).

Professor Halloran's article on *United States v Home Concrete & Supply* was published in Preview of United States Supreme Court Cases, Vol 39, Issue 4 (January 2012).

#### UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA-CHAPEL HILL SCHOOL OF LAW

Professor Deborah Weissman has the following publications:

Feminism in the Global Political Economy: Contradiction and Consensus in Cuba, forthcoming, 41 U. Balt. L. Rev. (2012)

North Carolina's Connection to Extraordinary Rendition (with Immigration/Human Rights Clinic students) Jan. 2012 available at <a href="http://www.law.unc.edu/documents/clinicalprograms/finalrenditionreportweb.pdf">http://www.law.unc.edu/documents/clinicalprograms/finalrenditionreportweb.pdf</a>



**Locke Bowman** published "Efficiency and Cost: The Impact of Videoconferenced Hearings on Bail Decisions," (Co- Authored by Shari Seidman Diamond, Manyee Wong, and Matthew M. Patton) *Journal of Criminal Law and Criminology* (2010).

## Robert P. Burns published:

Narrative and Drama in the American Trial, Northwestern Public Law Research Paper No. 11-60 (2011).

"The Dignity, Rights, and Responsibilities of the Jury: On the Structure of Normative Argument," Arizona

State Law Journal (2011); Northwestern Public Law Research Paper No. 11-59. (Forthcoming).

"What Will We Lose If the Trial Vanishes?" Northwestern Public Law Research Paper No. 11-48 (2011).

**Steven Drizin** published "The Lee Arthur Hester Case and the Unfinished Business of the United States Supreme Court to Protect Juveniles During Police Interrogation," *Northwestern Journal of Law and Social Policy* (2011).

**Thomas F Geraghty** published "The Children and Family Justice Center's 20th Anniversary: Splendid Accomplishments and a Wonderful Future," *Northwestern Journal of Law and Social Policy* (2011); "Child Friendly Legal Aid in Africa" (with Diane Geraghty) UNICEF, UNODC and UNDP, (2011).

**Steven Lubet** published: "Haley Barbour, Slavery and the Citizenship Test," *SALON* (2011). The Oberlin Fugitive Slave Rescue: A Victory for the Higher Law, North & South, Vol. 13, 2011; Northwestern Public Law Research Paper No. 11- 11(2011).

**Joseph Margulies** "Deviance, Risk, and Law: Reflections on the Demand for the Preventive Detention of Suspected Terrorists" *Journal of Criminal Law and Criminology* (2011).

"Terrorizing Academia," (Co-authored by Hope Metcalf), Journal of Legal Education.

**Stephen Reed published** "Clinical Legal Education at Crossroads: A Self- Focused Self-Study of Self" Clinical Law Review (2010).

**David Scheffer** published *All the Missing Souls: A Personal History of the War Crimes Tribunals*, David Scheffer, Princeton University Press (2011); "Maximizing Opportunities to Deter Further Atrocity Crimes," *Human Rights International Criminal Law Online Forum*, Office of the Prosecutor, International Criminal Court and the UCLA School of Law Sanela Diana Jenkins Human Rights Project (2011); "The Argument for the Prosecution," *The New Republic Online Review* (September 26, 2011); The Least Wanted Most Wanted Man," *Foreign Policy* (2011). "The Value of Steve Heder's Research on the ECCC's Personal Jurisdiction, and an Afterword on the Purpose of the Dispute Settlement Mechanisms," *Cambodia Tribunal Monitor* (August 8, 2011; "Did the U.S. Violate International Law by Killing bin Laden?" *In the Arena.* • "Introduction: Atrocity Crimes Litigation During 2010," *Northwestern Journal of International Human Rights* (2011); "Conference: Lines of Inquiry Memorandum" *Northwestern Journal of International Human Rights* (2011).

**Cynthia Wilson** published: "Externships in Public Service Experiential Learning Guidebook," Consortium for the Advancement of Public Service in Law Schools, (2011).



**Doug Frenkel and Jim Stark** (Connecticut) published "*Mediator's Work: What Do Empirical Studies of Persuasion Tell Us?*" was published as the first on a two-part series in the Fall 2011 issue of Dispute Resolution Magazine.

## PEPPERDINE UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW

**Laurie Serafino's** article entitled "No Walk in the Dog Park: Drafting Animal Cruelty Statutes to Resolve Double Jeopardy Concerns and Eliminate Unfettered Prosecutorial Discretion," will be published by the Tennessee Law Review. Her second article, entitled "American Legal History through Bob Dylan's Eyes," will be published by the Fordham Urban Law Journal.

#### ROGER WILLIAMS UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW

Lori Barron, Director of the School's Feinstein Institute for Legal Service, published *Learning How to Learn: Carnegie's Third Apprenticeship*, 18 Clin. L. Rev. 101 (2011)

## SEATTLE UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW

**Jane K. Stoever**, Freedom from Violence: Using the Stages of Change Model to Realize the Promise of Civil Protection Orders, 72 Ohio St. L.J. 303 (2011).

#### VERMONT LAW SCHOOL

Christine N. Cimini published *Undocumented Workers and Concepts of Fault:* Are Courts Engaged in Legitimate Decisionmaking?, 65 Vanderbilt Law Review (March 2012).

#### WAKE FOREST SCHOOL OF LAW

Carol Turowski's article, Whose Client is it Any way: When Should the Teaching Stop and the Protection of the Client's Interest Begin? Is schedule for publication this spring as part of the University of Baltimore Symposium.

# WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY (ST. LOUIS) SCHOOL OF LAW





Peter Joy (Wash. U.), Rationing Justice by Rationing Lawyers, 35 WASH. U. J.L. & POL'Y 205 (2011).

**Peter Joy (Wash. U.)**, Does the Lawyer Make a Difference? Public Defender v. Appointed Counsel, 27 ABA CRIM. JUSTICE \_\_\_ (forthcoming Spring 2012) (with Kevin McMunigal).

Mae Quinn (Wash. U.), Feminist Legal Realism, 34 HARV. J.L. & GENDER 1 (2012).

**Mae Quinn (Wash. U.)**, The Fallout from our Blackboard Battlegrounds: A Call for Withdrawal and a New Way Forward, 15 IOWA J. OF GENDER, RACE & JUSTICE \_\_\_\_ (forthcoming 2012).

#### WHITTIER LAW SCHOOL

Professor William Wesley Patton, J. Alan Cook and Mary Schalling Cook Children's Law Scholar, Whittier Law School; Lecturer, UCLA David Geffen School of Medicine, Department of Psychiatry has published:

The Psychiatric And Legal Implications Of Media Ethics Codes Regarding The Publication of Child Abuse Victim Data: A Proposed Deontological Model Code [to be published in 16 U. C. Davis J. of Juv. L. & Policy, Issue 2, Summer 2012];

Connecticut's Failed Open Juvenile Dependency Court Pilot Project: Presumptively Open Juvenile Court Doors Closed Again To Protect Abused Children [to be published in Journal of Child and Fam. Adv. Spring 2012];

*Getting Back To the Sandbox: Designing A Legal Policy Clinic* [to be published in the International Journal of Clinical Legal Education, V. 16 Feb. 2012];

Viewing Child Witnesses Through A Child And Adolescent Psychiatric Lens: How Attorneys' Ethical Duties Exacerbate Children's Psychopathology, 16 Widener Law School Symposium on Child Witnesses 369.

# **NEW CLINICIANS**





Tanya Cooper will be joining the school of law as Assistant Professor of Clinical Instruction and Director of the school's Domestic Violence Clinic. Tanya currently is an instructor with the clinical programs of The David Clark Law School of the University of the District of Columbia.

## ALBANY SCHOOL OF LAW



Visiting Assistant Clinical Professor **Benjie Louis** has been awarded a long-clinical tenure position.

term contract,



# CHARLOTTE SCHOOL of LAW

Charlotte School of Law welcomes mid-year two attorneys to our clinical teaching faculty. First is Rocky Cabagnot, a new full-time faculty member. Rocky is developing a Community Economic Development Clinic, currently set to open this summer. He is a former Directing Attorney of the Revitalize Our Communities Project (ROCP), a community economic development initiative that focused on assisting both urban and rural not for profit organizations with missions of alleviating poverty throughout 32 counties in north Florida. Prior to serving as the Directing Attorney of ROCP, Professor Cabagnot was both an AmeriCorps Attorney and Equal Justice Works Fellow at an LSC funded legal services program in Gainesville, Florida.

Second is Rebecca Horton, who is taking over the responsibility for our Entrepreneurial and Nonprofit Law Clinic (ENLC). An adjunct faculty member, Professor Horton brings over twelve years of transactional practice experience to the position. The majority of her experience is in the area of finance with a large law firm in Charlotte, but she has also practiced in the areas of general corporate, estate planning and real estate law. She has represented a broad range of clients from elderly pro-bono patients in a nursing home to small business owners to large international financial institutions.

## UNIVERSITY OF CINCINNATI COLLEGE OF LAW



**Kenyatta Mickles** has been appointed Assistant Professor of Clinical Law and will direct the Domestic Violence and Civil Protection Order Clinic. Kenyatta has been serving as acting director.

# UNIVERSITY OF DENVER STURM COLLEGE OF LAW



**Kevin Lynch** accepted an offer to join the University of Denver Sturm College of Law Environmental Clinic next year as a tenure track professor. Currently Kevin is a fellow in the school's Environmental Law Clinic.

# UNIVERSITY OF DETROIT MERCY SCHOOL OF LAW

Sarah Jane Forman joins the University Detroit Mercy School of Law as assistant clinical professor. Professor Forman is spear-heading the Youth Justice Clinic, which will represent youth in school disciplinary and delinquency matters in Detroit. She also teaches a course in Juvenile Justice.



# School of Law

**Robert Capristo,** Esq. joined the Duquesne Law Clinic as an Adjunct Clinical Professor and Clinic Coordinator of the Civil and Family Justice Law Clinic.

**Justin Romano**, Esq. joined the Duquesne Law Clinic as an Adjunct Clinical Professor in the Unemployment Compensation Clinic.

**Kirsha Weyandt** joined the Duquesne Law Clinic as an Adjunct Clinical Professor in the Criminal Advocacy Clinic.

Tracy McCants was named Assistant Professor of Law. She joined the faculty at Duquesne Law School as a tenure-track clinical professor. She has served as the Acting Director of the Clinical Legal Education for over two years while teaching as an adjunct in the Bill of Rights-Civil Rights Litigation Clinic, focusing on employment discrimination matters.

# UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND FRANCIS KING CAREY SCHOOL OF LAW

The Clinic welcomes our newest Fellows:

Erin Doran – Environmental Law Clinic

Matthew Peters - Environmental Law Clinic Michelle Saloman - International Clinic Will Tilburg - Public Health Law Clinic

**Leslie Turner** – Health Care Delivery and Child Welfare Legal Issue Clinic

#### UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA - CHAPEL HILL SCHOOL OF LAW



Erika Wilson has joined the law school as an Assistant Professor and Faculty Supervisor of the Civil Clinic.

#### RUTGERS SCHOOL OF LAW-NEWARK



Rutgers Law School-Newark is delighted to welcome **Anju**, who joined our faculty this past fall. In addition to directing an immigration clinic, Professor Gupta teaches non-clinical courses at the law school. The clinic serves the local and national immigrant population through a combination of individual client representation and broader advocacy projects.

#### SEATTLE UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW

Anjana "Anji" Malhotra is the first Clinical Teaching Fellow at the Fred T. Korematsu Center for Law and Equality at Seattle University School of Law. Anji is co-teaching a newly created Civil Rights Amicus Clinic, taught for the first time this Spring 2012. Our Associate Dean for Faculty Development and Executive Director of the Korematsu Center, Professor Robert Chang, has entered the clinical teaching realm for the first time by co-teaching the Amicus Clinic with Anji. This two year fellowship is designed to help train our fellow to enter the legal academy either as a clinical law or doctrinal professor.

# PROMOTIONS AND TRANSITIONS

# ALBANY LAW SCHOOL



Associate Clinical Professor **Deborah S. Kearns** has been awarded a clinical tenure track position. Professor Kearns currently runs the Low Income Taxpayer Clinic at Albany Law School and has directed the tax clinic and taught various other courses since joining the faculty in 2008.

# DUQUESNE UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW



**Laurie Serafino** has accepted an appointment at Duquesne University School of Law to serve as the Director of Clinical Education and an Associate Professor of Law. In addition to managing Duquesne's clinics, she will teach criminal procedure.

## UNIVERSITY OF NEW MEXICO SCHOOL OF LAW

With great pride and enthusiasm, the University of New Mexico School of Law will be welcoming to our faculty:



Professor Aliza Organick, currently of Washburn University School of Law



Yael Cannon, currently a Practitioner in Residence at American University Washington College of Law.

We look forward to their great contributions to our clinical programs.



**J. Michael Norwood** has taken Emeritus Status at the University of New Mexico School of Law. **April Land** has been appointed as the Associate Dean for Clinical Affairs.

# HONORS AND AWARDS

# FAULKNER UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW



Prof. Jeff Baker was honored as the school's Professor of the Year.

# WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY (ST. LOUIS) SCHOOL OF LAW

Robert Kuehn, the Associate Dean for Clinical Education and Co-Director of the Interdisciplinary Environmental Clinic, received the 2012 William Pincus Award for Outstanding Service of and Commitment to Clinical Legal Education from the American Association of Law Schools. The Pincus Award is the AALS's highest award in the area of legal education and recognizes excellence in service, scholarship, program design and implementation, and other activity benefiting clinical legal education and the advancement of justice.