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ANNUAL MEETING ALERT

Wednesday, Jan. 4
6:30 p.m.
"Open" Executive
Committee Meeting
Hilton Hotel
Elmwood Room
CASH BAR

All Committee Chairpersons should be prepared to make a short committee report.

Thursday, Jan. 5 9:00 a.m.-5:15 p.m. Clinical Section Program Grand Ballroom D

9:00-12:15 p.m.
Topic: The Contents of a Clinical Curriculum

Should there be clinical offerings in all three years? Should these courses be sequenced? If so, how? Should clinical courses be required? If so, how many and in what years? What should the relationship be between courses involving simulations and fieldwork? How much information acquisition, interviewing, counseling, negotiation, argument and trial advocacy should be offered? When? At what level of difficulty? What place do ADR courses have

in the curriculum? How can they be integrated with information acquisition, and trial advocacy? With what level of proficiency do we want our students to graduate?

12:15-2:00 p.m. Luncheon with Speaker

Luncheon tickets are available in advance from Professor Bill Greenhalgh (Georgetown), Section Chairperson. Make your check in the amount of \$14.00 payable to AALS. Any tickets remaining on January 5 may be obtained from Susan Kovac, Chair-Elect in New Orleans.

2:00-2:45 p.m.
"Empirical" Scholarship

Introduction to Methodologies and Suggested Topics

2:45-3:30 p.m.
The Mechanics and
Politics of Writing Grant
Applications

3:45-5:15 p.m. New Teachers Workshop

New Teachers will meet in small groups with

experienced teachers to discuss common problems

or

Discussion groups on morning presentations

5:30-Annual Business Meeting

Election of new officers and executive committee members. Committee reports.

Friday, January 6, 1989 Committee Meetings Sheraton Hotel

Rooms to be announced. See list at Annual Meeting. Anyone who has been serving, or wants to join a committee, should keep this time open. Especially important working sessions will be conducted by In-House, Externship, Legal Services (and external funding), Political Interference and Attorney Fees Committees. If you have not yet contacted Susan Kovac to let her know of your interest in serving (i.e. working) on a committee, please do so now. (615) 974-2331.

REPORT OF THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE

The Nominating Committee, Gary Palm (Chicago) chairperson, reports that the following individuals will stand for election at the Section's business meeting in New Orleans.

Chairperson-elect:

Graham Strong (UCLA)

Executive Committee: Jane Johnson (Tulane) (3-year terms)

Jeffrey Hartje (Denver)

SPRING 1989 WORKSHOP ON CLINICAL LEGAL EDUCATION

The 1989 Workshop on Clinical Legal Education will be held May 4-6, 1989, in Washington, D.C. Topics to be discussed at the workshop include 1. Ethics: The Case of the Troublesome Tenant;

- 2. Training Supervisors;
- 3. Informal Discussions on Educational Theory, Fundraising, Marketing and Current Political Issues;
- 4. Dealing with Difference; and
- 5. Informing the Clinical Experience: Three Perspectives -Law and Economics, Feminist and Critical Legal Studies.

Dennis E. Curtis (Southern California) chaired the planning committee for this workshop. Other members of the committee were Richard A. Boswell (Notre Dame), John S. Elson (Northwestern), and Carol B. Liebman (Boston College). Details of the Workshop will be sought for the March 1989 issue of the CLINICAL SECTION NEWSLETTER.

This NEWSLETTER is a forum for the exchange of points of view. Opinions expressed here are not necessarily those of the Section and do not necessarily represent the position of the Association of American Law Schools.

SPECIAL PROGRAM ANNOUNCEMENT

Political Interference With Clinical Programs: The Current Battles and What They Mean For You

Friday, Jan. 6 Rosella Room, Sheraton Hotel, 4th Floor 9:00 - 11:30 am (Breakfast will be served)

This year has seen renewed efforts to interfere with several clinical programs. A committee investigated the Environmental Law Clinic at the University of Oregon. A case involving the Rutgers Constitutional Litigation Clinic is now pending in the New Jersey Supreme Court. At Brooklyn Law School, opposing counsel in a civil rights case attempted to pit the clinic against the law school to settle the clinic's request for attorneys' fees. The tenure fight at CUNY (Queens) continues. Faculty from these four school will speak and answer questions. Afterwards, a panel will examine these problems. Among they questions for the panel are: whether the recent attacks have a common theme; can clinics effectively shield themselves from the attacks; does academic freedom fully protect teachers in "live-client" clinics; can clinics — which have an educational mission — recovery attorneys' fees; and whether law schools oar outside funding sources can legitimately influence case selection.

Speakers:

Michael Axline and/or John Bonine, University of Oregon, Eugene, Oregon

Rhonda Copelon, City University of New York Law School at Queens College, Flushing, New York

Minna J. Kotkin, Brooklyn Law School, Brooklyn, New York

John M. Payne, S.I. Newhouse Center for Law and Justice, Rutgers University, Newark, New Jersey

Panelists:

William W. Greenhalgh, Georgetown University Law Center, Washington, D.C.

Stefan Krieger, Southern Methodist University School of Law, Dallas, Texas

Douglas L. Parker, Georgetown University Law Center, Washington, D.C.

Dean Hill Rivkin, University of Tennessee College of Law, Knoxville, Tennessee

Moderators:

Katherine Hunt Federle, University of Hawaii, Richardson School of Law, Honolulu, Hawaii

Charles D. Weisselberg, University of Southern California Law Center, Los Angeles, California

JOB ANNOUNCEMENTS

The following job announcements have been received by the NEWSLETTER since the October/November issue.

Practising Law Institute (PLI) invites applications and nominations for the position of Director of Programs. PLI is a non-profit organization whose goal is the training of lawyers. Each year PLI conducts almost 300 programs nationally and publishes materials, texts, video and audio cassettes. PLI also conducts programs by satellite to fixed locations, including law offices and provides in-house training.

The Director of Programs will lead a staff of six attorneys who plan and implement seminars on national continuing legal education (CLE) topics. The main responsibility involves managing and administering these seminars, including the management and training of professional staff.

Ideal condidates should meet the following requirements: (1) Law degree; (2) Experience in designing and implementing professional education programs or comparable training experience; (3) Minimum 10 years overall work experience; (4) Minimum of 3 to 5 years managerial experience; (5) Experience in and knowledge of CLE field a plus. To apply: All applications must be in writing; salary history must be included. Deadline is December 31, 1988. Reply to: Ms. Marie Kennedy, Personnel Manager, Practicing Law Institute, 810 Seventh Avenue, New York, NY 10019.

CHRISTIC INSTITUTE, a public interest law firm, seeks a litigation director. Responsible, in consultation with the General Counsel, for strategy decisions, assignment of workload to attorneys and support staff, and general management of litigation department. Minimum 5 years experience in all phases of federal litigation. Send resume and two writing samples to Elaine Dodge, Christic Institute, 1324 N. Capitol Street, Washington, DC 20002.

GEORGETOWN UNIVERSITY LAW CENTER, Women's Law and Public Policy Fellowship Program. Applications are now being invited for Women's Law and Public Policy Fellowships for law school graduates who have a strong interest in women's rights and wish to work for one year, in Washington, D.C., with private and public organizations and agencies on legal and policy issues affecting the status of women. Application should be submitted on or before December 31, 1988. Contact: The Women's Law & Public Policy Fellowship Program, Georgetown University Law Center, 25 E Street N.W. – 4th Floor, Washington, DC 20001. Telephone: (202) 662-9640.

All of the above are Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Employers. Minorities and women are especially encouraged to apply.