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2005 WCL Commencement

The Commencement ceremony will be held on **Sunday, May 22 at Bender Arena on the main campus of American University**. Doors open at noon and seating is first come, first served; this is not a ticketed event. Complete details about Commencement may be found at www.wcl.american.edu/commencement.cfm

The cap and gown company that rents regalia was at the law school on **Thursday, March 17**. For web based ordering, please copy and paste the link of the company's website:
<http://www.herffjones.com/college/graduation/index.cfm?fuseaction=intro.disclaimer&siteid=5860&CFID=2587820&CFTOKEN=32767110>

We have made arrangements with the following vendors for discounts:

American Airlines: 800-433-1790 Provide: A 4455 AA or AWD#: B136000

Continental Airlines: 800-468-7022 Provide the Z Code: ZH01 and Agreement Code: UCB9N7

Avis: 800-331-1600 Mention: D 087106

Savoy Suites Georgetown: 202-337-9700 Mention: Washington College of Law
Commencement Dates covered: 5/20; 5/21; 5/22/05

Finally, if you are concerned that your name might be mispronounced, please see Associate Dean Jaffe in the Office of Student Affairs (suite 300).

OFFICE OF THE REGISTRAR

E-mail: registrar@wcl.american.edu

PRE-REGISTRATION FOR FALL 2005: Pre-registration for Fall 2005 classes will begin on April 11 and further information will be sent out in the Docket prior to that date. A course schedule of classes will be available after Wednesday, March 30. Students who may have stops of any kind should check to be clear to register during their allocated period.

ATTENTION PROSPECTIVE MAY 2005 GRADUATES: A list of all students (JD and LLM) who have applied for May 2005 graduation is posted outside the Registrar's Office, Suite 304 and in the 6th floor lounge behind the dining area. Please check this list to see (1) whether your name appears, and (2) that your name is spelled correctly as you wish it to appear on your diploma. *Please notify us of any changes or problems immediately.* If you plan to graduate in May and have not applied, you **MUST COMPLETE** an Application to Graduate immediately. Applications are available in the Registrar's office, and on-line at <http://www.wcl.american.edu/registrar/gradapp.pdf>.

PRE-REGISTRATION FOR SUMMER 2005 SEMESTER: Continues and students may continue to add/drop classes throughout the first week of classes. There is no lottery or priority system for summer pre-registration. Schedules for summer course listings and exam information may be found in the Registrar's Office (suite 304) and on-line under Course Listings and Exam Information. Students who have stops of any kind will be unable to register unless they clear these stops.

ATTENTION MARYLAND BAR APPLICANTS: The Certification as to Pre-legal education-Part One section of the MD Bar Application is to be completed by the college or university which awarded the undergraduate degree.

ATTENTION ALL BAR EXAM APPLICANTS: Please be sure to consult your state's bar exam website for bar exam application deadlines and carefully read all instructions. You may find your state's bar examiner website at www.barexam.org. If you are required to supplement your application with some form of intent to graduate certificate, you must submit your forms/requests to the Registrar's Office (room 304) as soon as possible. If you have questions regarding certification, please contact Betty Sepulveda, x4080.

ANONYMOUS GRADING NUMBERS: All students must use anonymous grading numbers, and not names, on all school examinations. These are available on my.american.edu under Personal Links at the bottom (WCL Anonymous Grading Number). Students may also find previous semesters' grading numbers here.

REGISTRAR'S OFFICE HOURS FOR SPRING 2005 SEMESTER

Monday	9:00 a.m. - 6:30 p.m.
Tuesday	9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday	9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.
Thursday	9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.
Friday	9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

To make other arrangements or schedule appointments outside regular office hours, please call 202-274-4080.

OFFICE OF THE DEAN

Department of Communications and external relations of the

ORGANIZATION OF AMERICAN STATES (OAS)
cordially invites you to our third lecture of The Lecture Series of the Americas
featuring
Mr. Philippe Kirsch, President of the International Criminal Court

Speaking on
The International Criminal Court and the Enforcement of International Justice.

Followed by a round-table discussion and question and answer session on the conference theme with panelists: Clare Roberts, President of the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights; Diane F. Orentlicher, Professor of International Law at American University; David B. Rivkin, member of the UN Sub-Commission on the Promotion and Protection of Human Rights and partner at Baker & Hostetler, LLP; and Michael Matheson, member of the U.N. International Law Commission and Visiting Professor at the George Washington University Law School. Irene Klinger, Director of the OAS Department of Communications and External Relations, will moderate the panel session.

Thursday, March 31, 2005, At 3:00 PM
Organization of American States, Hall of the Americas
17th Street & Constitution Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20006

The OAS gratefully acknowledges the generous contribution of the *San Martin de Porres University* in Lima, Peru to the lecture series
Please visit the Lecture Series web site at www.oas.org/lecture for more information on past and upcoming events.
Admission is free. To register, please e-mail the OAS at officeofexternalrelations@oas.org or fax (202-458-6319). Participants are requested to be in their seats 20 minutes early as the event will be broadcast live throughout the Hemisphere.

OFFICE OF STUDENT AFFAIRS

New Writing Competition:

The Lawyers' Committee for Cultural Heritage Preservation student writing competition. The Committee will accept nominations through June 15, 2005. Award: \$200-\$300.
www.culturalheritagelaw.org

Other Writing Competitions as posted outside Room 300!

Armed Forces Law Standing Committee Writing Award Award: Certificate
<http://www.abanet.org/scafl/writeaward.html>

7th Annual William W. Greenhalgh Student Writing Competition- Award: \$2,000, publication of winning essay in *Criminal Justice* magazine, and expense-paid trip to ABA Annual Meeting.
Entry deadline: March 31, 2005 <http://www.abanet.org/crimjust/cjmag/greenhalgh.html>

The Customs and International Trade Bar Association and Brooklyn Law School are sponsoring the **Andrew P. Vance Memorial Writing Competition** Deadline: May 2, 2005. Awards: \$500-\$1,000. <http://www.brooklaw.edu/students/journals/bjilvance.php>

2005 Information Technology Law Writing Competition. Deadline: postmarked no later than April 30, 2005 and received no later than May 10, 2005. **Award:** \$250
<http://www.cla.org/2005claitcomprules.pdf>.

Foley & Lardner LLP is sponsoring the Sixth Annual Intellectual Property Writing Competition for papers addressing intellectual property topics such as patents, copyrights, domain names, trademarks, computer law, and trade secret law. Awards: a \$5,000 Grand Prize to one first-year law student; a \$5,000 Grand Prize to one second-year law student Deadline: May 15, 2005 http://www.foley.com/news/event_detail.aspx?eventid=387

The NRA Civil Rights Defense Fund is sponsoring a writing contest for law students. The subject of the contest is "The Right of the Individual to Keep and Bear Arms as a Federally Protected Right." Cash prizes will be awarded to first, second, third, and fourth place winners in the amounts of \$5,000, \$3,000, \$2,000, and \$1,000 respectively. Submissions must be postmarked or delivered on or before May 31, 2005.
http://www.nradefensefund.org/docs/writing_contest.html

New York State Bar Association Health Law Section's Barry Gold Memorial Health Law Student Writing Competition Entries must discuss a health law issue under New York State law or a health issue under federal law and its impact on New York State Law or the regulatory environment in New York State. First prize: \$1,000; second: \$500. Deadline: June 1, 2005. email: lbataille@nysba.org

Michael Greenberg Student Writing Competition Deadline: June 15, 2005 Award: \$1,000.
www.nlgla.org.

Nathan Burkan Memorial Competition. Deadline: June 30, 2005. Award: \$250; \$600.
<http://www.ascap.com/burkan/index.html>

The Theodore Tannenwald, Jr. Foundation for Excellence in Tax Scholarship and The American College of Tax Counsel announces the 2005 Tannenwald Writing Competition. The subject may be any topic in the field of taxation. Prizes: \$3,500- \$1,500 Deadline: July 1, 2005
http://www.americantaxpolicyinstitute.org/pdf/tannenwald_info.pdf

OFFICE OF DIVERSITY SERVICES

Sherry Weaver, Director – (202) 274-4032 – Suite 300 – sweaver@wcl.american.edu
Hours: 9:00 am-5:00pm--MTuWF Noon -8:00pm: Th

SPRING DIVERSITY EVENTS:

Friday, April 1 Diversity Welcome Room

9:00 AM-4 PM Accepted Students Day Rm. TBA

Saturday, April 2 9th Sylvania Woods Conference on African Americans
 11:00AM-4:00 PM & the Law
 Rooms 603/602/ *From Law School to Esquire: You CAN Get There*
 Dining Room *from Here, Pt. 2*
Keynote Speakers: Craig Thompson, Law offices of Peter Angelos
 William “Billy” Martin, Blank Rome LLP
 Warren Brown, CakeLove and Love Café
North Star Awardee: Rhonda VanLowe, Rolls-Royce, NA

Wednesday , April 6 Tea with the GC:
 4:00 American University Counsel Mary Kennard
 Rm. 600 speaking on (minority) corporate counsel and education law as
 career options

STUFF ON THE TABLE

D.C. Minority Attorney Networking Series -- **NEW**
 Jones Day Minority Reception w/Judge Walton -- **NEW**
 Crowell & Moring Diversity Scholarship
 Finnegan, Henderson, et al -- Diversity Scholarship
 “How to Manage Law School Debt” by Sarah Kellogg
 WSJ Career Journal Career Fair
 Richard D. Hailey ATLA Law Student Scholarship
 Law Student Assignment Possibilities with US Attorney's Office
 Congressional Hispanic Caucus Institute Scholarship Awards
 Sidney B. Williams Jr. Scholarship - Minority students interested in intellectual property law
 DuPont Legal Minority Job Fair
 IP/Gender program event
 WALRAA 1st -Year Diversity 8-minute Networking Event and Reception
 Boston Lawyers Group Students of Color Job Fair

Legal Analysis Study Group:

UPCOMING EVENTS:

First Years:

Special Session for the Appellate Brief

Thursday, March 31

Time: 6: 30

Room: 101

Appellate Brief and Exam-Taking Support:

- Sunday, April 3
 Time: 1pm – 3pm
 Location: Rm. 601
- Saturday, April 9
 Time: 1pm – 3pm

Location: Rm. 527

OFFICE HOURS (By Appointment Only):

Rhonda VanLowe will hold office hours in Rm. 300 on the following dates:

- Thursday, March 24 (6pm – 8:15pm)
- Thursday, March 31 (6pm – 8:15pm)
- Sunday, April 10 (1pm – 3:15pm)

Sign-up sheets will be available in **Rm. 300**. Please feel free to either call Rhonda at (703) 621-2775 or email her at rhonda.vanlowe@rolls-royce.com if you would like to schedule an appointment for another time.

Watch the *Docket* and the bulletin board adjacent to room 300 for more information about sessions.

OFFICE OF FINANCIAL AID

Deans Fellow Alert

Appointments still pending for this year *must* be finalized by April 1 in order for payment to be processed by the end of the fiscal year, April 30. Contact Kareen Morgan at x4042 if you have questions. ***Note: Employment for the school year ends as of the last day of classes.***

Summer Aid

Summer applications are available on line and in the office. Apply by ***May 1*** to ensure receipt of your funds by the start of your program. To qualify you must:

- enroll in a minimum of six credit hours,
- have a 2005-06 FAFSA on file, and
- meet satisfactory academic progress standards.

2005-06 Grant Applicants

You must complete a *Verification Worksheet/Supplemental Information Form* to complete your file. The form is available in the office and on our web site. **Submit by May 1.**

Special Notice ~Summer Research Assistants

If you are considering work as a Research Assistant during the summer, be sure to file your FAFSA right away. Summer positions are likely to be offered under the Federal Work-Study program with federal eligibility required. More information will be provided as details are confirmed.

Prospective Graduates

Stafford Loan Borrowers - Exit Interviews

Be advised that you are required to complete Exit Counseling requirements prior to graduation. You will receive an information packet outlining the process shortly.

Bar Study Loans

Loans are available through private lenders to help meet prep course expenses. Depending on the lender, you can borrow up to \$15,000. Each of the lenders offering assistance for school year

expenses also offer Bar loans. You can find links to the various lenders on the *Alternative Loan* page of our web site or you can pick up an information sheet in the office.

Outside Scholarships

- **Sidney B. Williams Jr. Scholarship/American Intellectual Property Law Education Foundation** award. Apply at www.thurgoodmarshallfund.org
- **Energy and Mineral Law Foundation Law Student Scholarship. Deadline:** April 8, 2005
Information and applications are available at www.emlf.org.
- **Attorney-CPA Foundation Scholarship - Deadline:** April 30, 2005
- **H. Carl Moultrie I Scholarship - Deadline:** April 30, 2005
- **Key Bank Take 5 Scholarships** awarded each month through June 2005. Register online at www.Key.com/Take5.
- **Hudson County (NJ) Bar Foundation Scholarship** for county residents. **Deadline:** April 30, 2005
- **National Contract Management Association Scholarship. Deadline:** March 31, 2005
- **Association of Trial Lawyers of America** scholarship for second and third year students. Apply at www.atla.org/members/lawstud/auxilsch.aspx. **Deadline:** May 1, 2005
- **Women's Lawyers' Caucus of Mercer County (WLCMC)** award for women with ties to Mercer County, NJ. **Deadline:** April 1, 2005.
- **Robert A. Shuker Scholarship Fund, Inc.**, for residents of the DC metropolitan area - **Deadline:** April 15, 2005

Feel free to check the Outside Scholarship Binder for other scholarship opportunities

OFFICE OF PUBLIC INTEREST

Suite 515 - Phone: 202-274-4099 - Email: publicinterest@wcl.american.edu

The Sixth Annual Peter M. Cicchino Public Service Awards Dinner: "Poverty Lawyering in the 21st Century." Monday, March 28, 2005, 6:00 – 9:00 p.m. in the 6th floor dining area. RSVP required. RSVP to www.wcl.amreican.edu/secle.

Washington College of Law is proud of its students' commitment to public service and the human rights and human dignity of all people. Please join us in honoring:

Peter M. Cicchino Award Recipients:

Neha Misra – WCL Alumni Working Abroad
Kevin Layton – WCL Alumni Working Domestically
Amy Zaremba – WCL Class of 2005

Exceptional Pro Bono Service Honors – More than 175 Hours of Pro Bono Service:

Alexandros Aldous	Aaron Morris
Teresa Alutto	Abby Morrow Richardson
Kelly Barrett	Swati Parikh
Jonathan Singh Bedi	Christine Parsadaian
Rebecca Cambreleng	Mita Prakash
Shannon Daspit	Stephanie Richard

Katherine DeGovia
Jeff Eaby
Elizabeth Hogan
Synta Keeling
Sunah Lee
Eric Liang
Christine Lin
Whitney Louchheim
Kataryna Lyson
William M. Meyer IV

Avery Roselle
Chaitra Shenoy
Jessica M. Smith
Lina Soni
Richard V. Spataro
Penelope Spain
Debra Sudo
Kathleen Taylor
Albert Ting
Claire Trickler-McNulty

Pro Bono Service Honors – More than 125 Hours of Pro Bono Service:

Elizabeth Elia	Jennifer Lee
Erica Fabrikant	Janet Lee
Kimberly Foster	Megan C. Michiels
Julia Graff	Gunnar Rosenquist
Benjamin Holt	Nicholas Vitek
Raymond Janairo	R. Michael Waller
Nejib Jibril	Angela White
Jolsna John	Kenneth Wire
Seba Kurian	Amy Zaremba

Outstanding Pro Bono Service Honors – 75 or More Hours of Pro Bono Service:

Melissa Davis	Catherine E. Swallow
Nick Fulkerson	Margaret Sylvester
Andrew Stawar	

WCL Community Service Award Recipients:

Synta Keeling
Whitney Louchheim
Penelope Spain

Public Interest/Public Service Scholars Class of 2005:

David Baluarte	Stephanie Richard
Kelly Barrett	Claire Trickler-McNulty
Benjamin Holt	Nicholas Vitek
Nejib Jibril	R. Michael Waller
Pooja Mehta	Amy Zaremba
Abby Morrow Richardson	

Recipient of the NALP/PSLawNet Pro Bono Publico Award: Kelly Barrett

Recipient of the Notre Dame Feminist Jurisprudence Writing Award: Dana V. Kaplan

Recipient of the Choice USA Generations Legal Rights Award: Grace Pazdan

Program on Law and Government Jerry M. Hermele Book Award: Astrid Schmidt, LL.M.

Program on Law and Government Jerry M. Hermele Book Award: Chaitra Shenoy, JD

Elaine Osborne Jacobson Award for Women Working in Health Care Law: Ellee Walker

Postgraduate Public Interest Fellowship Recipients:

Natalie N. Maxwell, Equal Justice Works Fellowship

Amy Zaremba, Equal Justice Works Fellowship

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RSVP for the Equal Justice Works/Skadden Fellowship Workshop on March 31: 4:00 – 5:30 p.m. room 500. A must-attend session for students planning to apply for Equal Justice Works or Skadden post-graduate public interest fellowships. Mainly for 2Ls, the brownbag workshop will discuss the application and selection process, timelines and strategy. Space is limited and students must RSVP in advance to cegomes@wcl.american.edu.

SUMMER FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES: All application materials are available on the resource table outside the Office of Public Interest.

South Asian Bar Association Foundation of Washington, D.C.: The Foundation provides financial assistance in the form of summer fellowships to law students working at public interest agencies in the metropolitan D.C. area. The primary purpose of the fellowship is to help fund a student's internship with a public interest organization for the benefit of the South Asian community and the metropolitan D.C. area. **Application materials should be postmarked no later than April 29, 2005.**

Hispanic Bar Association of DC: HBA-DC provides two \$5,000 fellowships for first and second year law students working with public interest organizations over the summer. Sponsoring organizations must be non-profit, non-governmental organizations in metropolitan DC that provide direct legal services at little or no cost to clients. Top priority is given to applicants with sponsoring organizations in DC whose client base includes Latino District residents. Applications are available outside the Office of Public Interest. **Deadline: April 1, 2005.**

Montgomery County Women's Bar Foundation, Inc. Scholarship Fund: The Montgomery County Women's Bar Foundation is offering scholarships to help qualified individuals fund their law school educations. Awards range from \$500.00 to \$2500.00 per students. To be considered applicants should submit a completed application, a resume, a statement of interest and the contact information of three references to: Donna VanScoy, 50 West Montgomery Avenue, # 105, Rockville, MD 20850, (301) 610-0110. Applications are available in the Office of Public Interest. **Materials are due by May 1, 2005.**

April 5 Street Law Awards Dinner Honoring Supreme Court Justice Sandra Day O'Connor is seeking student volunteers: Street Law, Inc. is a leader in the development of highly acclaimed educational materials for teaching law, democracy, human rights, conflict resolution, and advocacy to high school students across the country and around the world. Street Law will host an Awards Dinner in Washington, DC on April 5th to honor US Supreme Court Justice Sandra Day O'Connor and her contributions to the organization. We are seeking student volunteers to help with this event.

Volunteer training begins at 4:30 p.m. at the JW Marriott Hotel, 1331 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC. Volunteers will be responsible for assisting with guest registration and

other responsibilities as needed. We will FEED you! Plus, you will have the opportunity to meet local and national leaders in the legal industry. **Interested volunteers should contact Elana Clements at etclements@verizon.net**

PUBLIC INTEREST ANNOUNCEMENTS LISTSERV: An interactive listserv for all students interested in posting or receiving emails from student groups regarding public interest programming and events. To subscribe to the listserv, send an email to listserv@listserv.american.edu. Leave the subject line blank, and in the body of the message, type "subscribe pi_wcl" without the quotes.

PRO BONO HONORS PLEDGE PROGRAM: All students are encouraged to participate in the Pro Bono Honors Pledge Program. Through the program, students pledge to complete 75 hours of pro bono and community service projects at organizations working on behalf of underprivileged and underrepresented populations. At least 50 hours of the pro bono work completed must be with an organization engaged primarily in law-related or legal work. However, students may complete up to 25 of their 75 hours in non-legal community service work. Students successfully completing the program are honored at graduation and at the annual Student Public Service Awards Reception.

Not sure if the work you're doing qualifies for pro bono hours? Contact the Office of Public Interest to find out. Work must be for the benefit of an underserved population and not for pay or academic credit. Community service work is non-legal work with an underserved population. Pro Bono work must be legal in nature under the supervision of an attorney.

All Pro Bono program materials are available on the web at <http://wcl.american.edu/publicinterest/probono.cfm>

For program descriptions and additional information visit the Office of Public Interest Events Calendar on the web at: www.wcl.american.edu/publicinterest

OFFICE OF SPECIAL EVENTS & CLE

Phone 202.274.4075 Fax 202.274.4079 Jennifer Dabson · Director Natasha Rennie · Assistant Director
Phone: 202.274.4075 · E-mail: secle@wcl.american.edu Website www.wcl.american.edu/secle

March 28, 2005

**The Sixth Annual Peter M. Cicchino Public Service Awards Dinner
6:00pm – 9:00pm 6th Floor Dining Room**

The Annual Peter M. Cicchino Awards for Outstanding Advocacy in the Public Interest program is held every year in honor of a beloved former Washington College of Law Professor, Peter M. Cicchino, who passed away in 2000. Professor Cicchino was both a brilliant scholar and teacher and was a brave and creative public interest lawyer. This program celebrates Professor Cicchino's outstanding devotion to public interest issues in all aspects of his life, by recognizing students and alumni who have demonstrated a similar dedication in their work. Attendees will engage in a substantive discussion of a public interest law theme to which Professor Cicchino was especially committed.

Contact/to register: The Office of Special Events & CLE at (202) 274-4075, secle@wcl.american.edu or visit www.wcl.american.edu/secle

March 30, 2005

Beijing + 10 “A Look at the Beijing Platform Ten Years Down the Road”

12:00pm – 1:30pm Room 603

Ten years ago, the Beijing Platform of Action came out of the Fourth World Conference on Women and was adopted by UN General Assembly. This year, the UN Commission on the Status of Women will review and appraise the implementation of the Beijing Platform by member states and will consider current challenges and forward-looking strategies for the advancement and empowerment of women and girls worldwide. Distinguished guest speaker The Honorable Linda Tarr-Whelan will discuss how far nations around the world have come in implementing the Beijing Platform, the discriminatory legislation that persists in many countries, and ways in which the Platform can be more effectively implemented.

Contact/to register: The Office of Special Events & CLE at (202) 274-4075, secle@wcl.american.edu or visit www.wcl.american.edu/secle

March 30, 2005

The Seventh Annual Grotius Lecture

5:30pm – 8:00pm Loews L'Enfant Plaza Hotel

Guest speaker will be The Honorable Justice Michael Kirby, AC, CMG, The High Court of Australia. Title of discussion: The Growing Use of International Human Rights Law in the Elaboration of Municipal Constitutions. A reception will follow the lecture. The event is the opening session of the ASIL 99th Annual Meeting.

Contact/to register: The Office of Special Events & CLE at (202) 274-4075, secle@wcl.american.edu or visit www.wcl.american.edu/secle

March 31, 2005

Election Protection and Democracy Expansion: A Constitutional Reform Agenda for the New Century

Time: 1:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. Room 603

The conference co-sponsored by the Law and Government and the American University Journal of Gender, Social Policy, & the Law, will feature three panel discussions. The first panel, “Do We Need a Constitutional Amendment Guaranteeing the Right to Vote?”, addresses the necessity of extending disenfranchised Americans the right to vote and be represented. In the second panel, “Graduating from Electoral College: Red-White-and Blue Proposals to Nationalize Our Presidential Elections,” panelists will discuss creative ways to transcend and transform the electoral college system to usher in direct national popular elections for president. A defender of the electoral college will respond. A third panel, “Diversifying Democracy: Enhancing Women and Minorities’ Chances for Political Participation and Electoral Success,” will address proposals to render the electoral system more accessible to women and minority candidates. The invited panelists—Democrats and Republicans; academics, politicians, and pundits—possess an impressive array of political perspectives, experience, and expertise.

Moderator: Mary Clark, Professor of Law, Washington College of Law

For more information about the event (including a list of speakers) and to register please contact: The Office of Special Events & CLE at (202) 274-4075, secle@wcl.american.edu or visit www.wcl.american.edu/secle

April 2, 2005

9th Sylvania Woods Conference on African Americans and the Law

10:00am – 5:00pm Rooms 602 & 603

The Sylvania Woods Conference on African Americans and the Law honors the memory of the late Prince George's County jurist, one of the first black graduates of the Washington College of Law. As in past years, the ninth annual conference will explore the impact of a significant legal issue(s) on the African- American community.

Contact/to register: The Office of Special Events & CLE at (202) 274-4075, secle@wcl.american.edu or visit www.wcl.american.edu/secle

ACADEMY ON HUMAN RIGHTS AND HUMANITARIAN LAW

Join us for the Summer Academy on Human Rights and Humanitarian Law!

The **Summer Academy** offers the only intensive, three week program in the world with human rights courses in both English and Spanish. Every year the Summer Academy hosts over 25 world-renowned visiting scholars and activists who teach courses on topics including regional human rights approaches; the United Nations; international criminal tribunals; economic, social and cultural rights; women's rights; terrorism and human rights; international humanitarian law; and much more. As a Graduate Certificate Program, the program is open to lawyers, professionals in the human rights field, and law students, who can earn up to seven credits toward their degree. For more information, please visit our website at www.wcl.american.edu/humright/hracademy/, e-mail us at hracademy@wcl.american.edu, or call us at 202-274-4070.

Summer Academy Faculty Highlight: Brian D. Tittmore

The *Academy* is pleased to announce that **Brian D. Tittmore** will again be joining us this summer. Brian D. Tittmore is a Human Rights Attorney with the Secretariat of the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights. Prior to joining the Commission, Mr. Tittmore practiced as a barrister and solicitor with the Civil Litigation Branch of the Canadian Department of Justice in Ottawa. He also held positions as Acting Executive Director and Senior Research Associate with the War Crimes Research Office in Washington, D.C., and has lectured and published in the fields of international humanitarian law, international human rights law and civil litigation. Mr. Tittmore holds a B.Comm. and LL.B. from the University of Saskatchewan and an LL.M. in International Legal Studies from the American University in Washington, D.C., and is a member of the Law Society of Saskatchewan and the Law Society of Upper Canada. Mr. Tittmore will be teaching "International Humanitarian Law" with Professor Robert Goldman. It is a two credit course that will be held from May 31-June 17, 2005. For more details about this class and others offered at the *Academy*, please visit our website at <http://www.wcl.american.edu/humright/hracademy/courses.cfm>.

CENTER FOR HUMAN RIGHTS AND HUMANITARIAN LAW

CENTER ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE CENTER IS SEEKING A SUMMER DEAN'S FELLOW Help Plan Exciting Human Rights Events for the Fall!

Beat the heat this summer and come work as a Dean's Fellow for the Center for Human Rights and Humanitarian Law! The Center is looking for an enthusiastic student to take a high level of responsibility for the Center's exciting programming. The Dean's Fellow will provide support to our many fun events and interesting projects, including the Center Summer Picnic, a major conference on international customary law, the annual Human Rights Film Series, and other upcoming projects for the Fall. The Fellow will also assist with marketing Center events, managing the Center listserv, and helping to create innovative new programming. This is a great opportunity to get involved and join the Center's team. We are a fast paced, dynamic office but we always have fun! Attention to detail, organizational skills, familiarity with Microsoft Office programs and proven interest in human rights issues are essential. Experience/skills in brochure/flier design are a plus. **To Apply:** send a cover letter and résumé to hharris@wcl.american.edu by April 8. Please indicate that you are applying for the Center's Dean's Fellow position in the subject line of the email.

JOIN THE RENÉ CASSIN EUROPEAN HUMAN RIGHTS MOOT COURT TEAM!

The Center for Human Rights and Humanitarian Law wishes this year's René Cassin team good luck as they go off to compete in Strasbourg and Paris! The Center is also recruiting for next year's team! The René Cassin European Human Rights Moot Court Competition is a simulation of an appearance before the European Court of Human Rights and is conducted entirely in French. WCL is one of only two teams from the United States to compete against 60 other teams from universities all over the world. New team members will participate in the April 2006 competition in Strasbourg and will work closely with a coach and receive independent study credit for the academic year. Those wishing to apply must be second or third year students during the 2005-2006 academic year, be fluent in French, and have a knowledge of and proven commitment to human rights issues. Interested students are also encouraged to enroll in the European Human Rights Law class offered by the Summer Academy on Human Rights and Humanitarian Law from May 31-June 17. **The deadline to apply for the René Cassin European Human Rights Moot Court Competition is April 15.** Please send a résumé and French writing sample to Henri Manga Bell at hmangalaw@yahoo.com and to Hadar Harris at hharris@wcl.american.edu. Don't miss this fantastic opportunity to participate in the world of human rights!

OTHER EVENTS

JUMP START YOUR DAY WITH....

ACTION FOR HUMAN RIGHTS COFFEE HOUR!

Every Wednesday, 8:30-10am, 6th Floor Student Lounge

Action For Human Rights sponsors early morning coffee hours for students, faculty and staff interested in human rights to come and share fair trade coffee and tea, bagels and donuts, ideas and inspiration. The weekly Coffee Hours provide a forum for announcements (at 8:50am & 9:30am), recruitment, campaign information – and a great place to get to know others interested in human rights. Come join us every Wednesday throughout the semester in the 6th floor Student Lounge (behind the cafeteria). Everyone is welcome, and the coffee is delicious!

AHR is trying to make Coffee Hour as eco-friendly as possible,

so please bring a travel mug!

**CULTURAL RESISTANCE TO OPPRESSION: EFFECTS ON
SOCIETY AND THE LAW**

Friday, March 25th, 10am-5pm, Room 603

This student collaborative draws upon domestic and international resistance to oppression by examining how people have survived through the use of culture and memory, and how their cultural resistance has acted to change society and the law. The conference will focus on indigenous resistance by examining Aboriginal and American Indian cultural resistance. International focus will be on Falun Gong in China, resistance dance and music in Palestine, the African Diaspora in the Caribbean, and South Asian Resistance movements. For more information, contact the Office of Special Events at secle@wcl.american.edu.

GET INVOLVED WITH ACTION FOR HUMAN RIGHTS!

Have new ideas for experiential learning programs? Have thoughts about how to make Coffee Hour more fun or more productive? Want to see some new programs related to domestic human rights or basic human rights? Join Action for Human Rights! We want to see what we can do to bring the WCL human rights community together and make Action for Human Rights more active. If you have participated in Action for Human Rights projects in the past or are interested in getting involved, please give us your input and brainstorm about what's next! To get involved, please contact Lauren Bartlett at lauren_bartlett@yahoo.com.

**GET UPDATES ON WHAT'S GOING ON AT THE CENTER AND AROUND TOWN—
JOIN THE CENTER'S EMAIL LIST!**

Keep up-to-date on human rights events, activities and resources at WCL and in the community by joining the Center's group email list! You will receive occasional updates (maximum one per week) about human rights goings-on right in your inbox. To subscribe, send an email to chrhupdate-request@wcl.american.edu. Leave the subject line BLANK and in the body of the message write SUBSCRIBE.

****NOTE HOTMAIL USERS:** Because of some technical problems, hotmail users may have difficulty subscribing to the listserve. Please consider subscribing from an alternate account. **If you receive an error message when subscribing, please forward it to afehling@wcl.american.edu**

EXTERNSHIP PROGRAM

Room 413 (202) 274-4200 www.wcl.american.edu/externship
Monday-Thursday 9:00am-5:30pm; Friday 9:00am-3:00pm
externship@wcl.american.edu

SUMMER EXTERNSHIPS

Summer Externship seminar schedules are up! We are offering 3-credit seminars, 1-credit seminars, and a long distance seminar. Registration is open until the beginning of the summer session. Please look on the Course Schedule website, or stop by the externship office (Room 413) to see course descriptions or old syllabi.

EXTERNSHIP PROGRAM BULLETIN BOARD

When **new** employers join the database, or when current employers contact the office regarding **upcoming deadlines**, the listings are advertised on the board. **Do not rely solely on the board, as it does not reflect all of the available opportunities!**

Search the Employer Database for opportunities, and/or to retrieve the complete listing for positions on the bulletin board. The Database is available on the Externship website www.wcl.american.edu/externship Username: **extern**; Password: **eagle**. The Employer Database is only for WCL student use. Please do not worry about the listing date as it may not reflect the most recent check for accuracy.

NEW EMPLOYER LISTINGS:

A number of newly added civil rights firms are specifically requesting WCL students:

Equity Legal—Kristen Galles. “I am a big firm drop-out who now runs a small civil rights practice in Alexandria, Va. I litigate cases involving discrimination in education, athletics, and employment—especially Title IX...I will teach the extern how to write actual legal pleadings. The extern may work with me to prepare pretrial discovery, to interview witnesses, and to work with expert witnesses.”

Delaney, McCarthy and Colton, P.C. Specializes in criminal law. They are looking for externs to assist in research and writing for capital defense work.

Michael J. Hoare, P.C. Specializes in employment law. Externs’ duties would include research, writing, fact-gathering from clients, and litigation preparation in discrimination cases.

Snider & Fisher, LLC. Extern would assist in client contact, as well as extensive writing, editing and research. Areas of practice include ADR, civil rights and labor law.

Bernabei & Katz, PLLC. Externs would assist in drafting motions regarding employment law, sexual harassment law, whistleblower law, and other civil rights and liberties matters.

Karl & Tarone. Employment law firm specializing in civil rights. Externs’ responsibilities would include interviewing witnesses and clients, researching, writing and cite checking briefs.

The Seltzer Law Firm. This practice is devoted to the enforcement of civil rights. Externs would participate in legal research, preparing discovery requests, and would attend court proceedings. Individuals with a sincere interest in civil rights and employment law are encouraged to apply.

For details about how to apply to these opportunities, as well as hundreds of others, please see the externship database or come by Room 413.

INTERNATIONAL EXTERNSHIP DATABASE NOW AVAILABLE!

The Externship Program has developed an exciting and impressive International Database based on months of research and networking. Students interesting in externing abroad should review the database and make an appointment to meet with Avis Sanders, Externship Director. Go to our website at www.wcl.american.edu/externship select **Employer Database**; enter the

username **extern** and password **eagle**; then select *International Database* from the top left-hand menu.

The Externship Office has been in recent contact with international externship placements that are still seeking students for the summer semester. These include:

The Netherlands Institute of Human Rights (SIM), which conducts and promotes research projects in the area international human rights law. SIM is a research institute of the Faculty of Law of Utrecht University. Academy on Human Rights and Humanitarian Law Partnership Institution. (*NETHERLANDS*).

The Center for Human Rights and Environment (CEDHA), which focuses on a variety of thematic topics, primarily in Environmental and Human Rights fields. They have two programs: an Internship/Externship Program (in Argentina) and an International Research Program (which could be conducted in the US). Externs may conduct research, fieldwork, training, and/or participate in other CEDHA programs. Spanish is preferred. The co-founder of CEDHA, a WCL alum and former professor, is very excited about hosting a WCL extern. (*ARGENTINA*).

Please see the Director, Avis Sanders, for more information about these opportunities.

INTERESTED IN EXTERNING IN ANOTHER STATE THIS SUMMER?

The **National Externship Program** makes it possible for students to extern in another state by participating in the Long-Distance Externship Seminar (3-credits). For more information, visit our website at www.wcl.american.edu/externship/national.cfm

Students interested in externing in another state should also speak with the Externship Office.

PROGRAM ON LAW AND GOVERNMENT

Upcoming events

March 31: "Election Protection and Democracy Expansion: A Constitutional Reform Agenda for the New Century"

12:30 – 6 PM, reception to follow Room 603

This event will consist of three panels - one on a constitutional amendment on the right to vote, one on the electoral college, and one on expanding opportunities for women and minorities in politics. Panelists and moderators include **John Anderson**, Center for Voting and Democracy; **Roger Clegg**, Vice President and General Counsel, Center for Equal Opportunity; **Anita Earls**, UNC Center for Civil Rights; and **David Moon**, Program Director, Full Representation Program, Center for Voting and Democracy.

April 6: Supreme Court Nominations: Prospects and Consequences for the Court and the Nation

Room 603 10:30 AM – 1:30 PM (lunch served at 11:50)

***** RSVP to 202-274-4075 or via e-mail to secle@wcl.american.edu *****

AM panel, moderated by Nina Totenberg of National Public Radio, includes:

- **Prof. Drew S. Days** Yale Law School; Solicitor General (1993-1996)

- **Prof. Charles Fried** Harvard Law School; Solicitor General (1985-1989)
- **Prof. Marci A. Hamilton** Cardozo School of Law, Yeshiva University
- **Prof. David A. Strauss** University of Chicago Law School

PM panel, moderated by Tom Goldstein of Goldstein & Howe, P.C., includes:

- **Bradford Berenson** Sidley, Austin, Brown & Wood; Associate White House Counsel (2001-2003)
- **Manuel Miranda** Legal Fellow, Heritage Foundation; former Counsel, Senate Majority Leader Bill Frist (R-Tenn.)
- **Clifford Sloan** Publisher, Slate Magazine; Associate White House Counsel (1993-1995)
- **Ronald Weich** Senior Counsel, Senate Minority Leader Harry Reid (D-Nev.)

April 11: "The Reforms of U.S. Intelligence and Counter-Terrorism Policy: Will They Work?"

5 – 7 PM, with reception to follow Room 603

Three months ago, Congress enacted the first sweeping reorganization of the nation's intelligence agencies in more than fifty years -- creating a new Director of National Intelligence and a National Counterterrorism Center. Additional recommendations for reform of the intelligence community are likely in the Report of the President's Iraq/WMD Commission, due at the end of March. WCL professor Dan Marcus will moderate the panel, which includes the following speakers:

Jamie Gorelick, currently a partner at Wilmer, Cutler, Pickering, Hale & Dorr, member of the 9/11 Commission, and former Deputy Attorney General of the United States from 1994-1997

John C. Gannon, Staff Director of the House Select Committee on Homeland Security, chairman of the National Intelligence Council from 1997-2001, and CIA Deputy Director for Intelligence from 1995-1997

Walter Slocombe, member of the Presidential Commission on Intelligence Capabilities Regarding Weapons of Mass Destruction, and former Undersecretary of Defense for Policy from 1994-2001

Michael Bopp, Staff Director and Chief Counsel to the Senate's Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

WAR CRIMES RESEARCH OFFICE

The WCRO serves as a source of expertise in humanitarian and international criminal law for relevant international organizations. In the past year, for example, the office undertook international law research projects for the International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda (ICTR), the Special Court for Sierra Leone, the Special Panels for Serious Crimes in East Timor and the International Criminal Court. We also speak at conferences on humanitarian law and international criminal law issues, and publish regularly on the development of international criminal jurisprudence.

War Crimes Speakers Series:

**Human Rights Monitors, Journalists and Peacekeepers as Witnesses in War Crimes Trials
Thursday, April 7, 12pm, room TBA**

Nicole LaViolette, a professor at the University of Ottawa Faculty of Law, has conducted extensive research on the use of evidence from human rights monitors, journalists and peacekeepers in proceedings before the International Criminal Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia (ICTY). Join us as we hear her discuss the policy issues that arise when such individuals are called upon as witnesses before such tribunals. Her remarks will include a discussion of the recent case involving a former reporter for the Washington Post who refused to testify before the ICTY.

*The event will be held on Thursday, April 7, from 12-1:30 pm. Room TBA.
Please RSVP by Thursday, March 31, to jvess@wcl.american.edu*

WCL LIBRARY

<http://library.wcl.american.edu>

Monday – Thursday	8:00 am – 12:00 am*
Friday	8:00 am – 10:00 pm*
Saturday	9:00 am – 10:00 pm*
Sunday	10:00 am- 12:00 am*

* The library is open two additional hours beyond the posted closing times for registered WCL students with law school IDs. Only security personnel are available in the library during these extended hours. Library services are not offered during extended hours.

We want to hear from you!! The Library is conducting a survey to better understand the library and information needs of the WCL community. All current WCL students, faculty and staff should access the survey at <http://survey.libqual.org/index.cfm?ID=486323> and complete it. It only takes about 13 minutes. Ten lucky participants will receive Amazon.com gift certificates. Questions? Contact Adeen Postar at apostar@wcl.american.edu or at x 4377.

Please be considerate of your fellow students while working in the library. The majority of comments we have received from the library survey so far express concern about the noise level in the library. If you need to have an extended conversation or use your cell phone – take a break and go out to the lobby or the 6th floor student lounge.

Need to find journal articles? The library has extensive online resources beyond Lexis and Westlaw. Go to the Library webpage at <http://library.wcl.american.edu> and link to Research Tools. You will find indexes to legal and no legal journals, including the Index to Legal Periodicals and LegalTrac as well as full text databases including Hein Online, Jstor, ProQuest and Project Muse. You can access these databases from home using your AU network ID and login. For further information stop by the Reference Desk or email us at reflib@wcl.american.edu.

Attention SJD Students! A Dissertation Workshop will be held on Thursday, April 7 at 3:00 pm in the Bender Library, Rm. 306. Students who have questions about the session may contact Janice Flug at jflug@american.edu .

WOMEN AND INTERNATIONAL LAW PROGRAM

**“Criminal and Crime-Related Inadmissibility Waivers for
Immigrant Survivors of Domestic Violence”
Monday, April 4, 9am-3pm, Room 602.**

Learn more about how the Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) affects immigrant survivors of domestic violence. This conference, sponsored by the Immigrants Rights Coalition and the Women and International Law Program, will address domestic violence issues and how they affect immigrants in the United States. Various sessions will include: VAWA Crime and Crime-Related Inadmissibility Waivers; VAWA 2005 Proposals; Workshop on Putting Together a Waiver of Inadmissibility; Statutory Bars to Good Moral Character and VAWA Waivers; Other Forms of Relief for Immigrant Victims of Domestic Violence (Ts, Us, Asylum); Strategies for Dealing with Local Offices. Speakers include Gail Pendleton from the National Immigration Project, Lory Rosenberg, former board member of the BIA, Joanne Lin from Legal Momentum, Erin Corcoran from Human Rights First, and Mary Holper from Capital Area Immigrants' Rights Coalition. Breakfast and Registration will begin at 8:30AM.

Sign up for the WILP Listserve!

Interested in being up to date on gender conferences around the world? Looking for a job with women in the international arena? Learn about these opportunities among others when you sign up for the WILP listserve. To SUBSCRIBE to this listserve, please send an email to wilpannounce-request@wcl.american.edu

Leave the subject line BLANK. In the body of the message write SUBSCRIBE.

STUDENT BAR ASSOCIATION

ATTENTION STUDENT GROUP PRESIDENTS AND TRESURERS – IMPORTANT BUDGET SUBMISSION DEADLINES- Student organization budget requests for the fall of 2005 will be due on April 15, 2004 at 5:00PM. Please place a copy of your budget in box 1J in the SBA lounge. Please send a copy of the budget to SBAFinance@wcl.american.edu. Any questions can be directed to the SBA Finance chair at the same email. Finance committee recommendations will be posted in the SBA lounge by Monday April 25th. Please stop by the SBA lounge to review the budgets. Student groups wishing to appeal the finance committee recommendation can appeal their budget at the Final SBA meeting on Tuesday, April 26th. This meeting will be held at 10:10 pm in room 101. Please email SBAFinance@wcl.american.edu to be placed on the agenda for this meeting if you wish to appeal your budget.

Alternative Dispute Resolution Society

American University's Mediation Services is hosting a FREE 20 hour basic mediation training the **weekend of April 8-10th**. The training will be held **Friday night from 5pm-9pm, Saturday from 9am-5pm, and Sunday 9am -5pm**. If you would like to receive the application, please email adr@wcl.american.edu.

Barristers' Ball

Today is the last day to buy tickets! Tickets are on sale in the dining room from 11-2, and in the lobby from 2-7. We will also be selling during the EJF auction. Tickets are \$35 per person, cash and checks accepted.

Christian Legal Society

March 31st Christian Legal Society Meeting & Elections. Please join the Christian Legal Society on **Thursday, March 31st from 12:30-1:20 in Room 627** for our book study and officer

elections. Please read *Neither Curse Nor Idol: Towards a Spirituality of Work for Lawyers* by Joseph Allegretti. Pages 147-158. Copies are available in Mailbox 20G.

Christian Legal Society Officer Election Information. If you are a rising 1L or 2L and have been involved/attended CLS this year and/or last year please consider running for office and being a part of the leadership team. Positions include President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Officer at Large and Event Planner.

Environmental Law Society

Meeting and Elections: Wed Apr 6 12:30pm, Room 503 Please join ELS for our last general meeting of the year where we will elect a new slate of executive board members, as well as discuss remaining events for this semester and plans for next year. Those interested in running for an office should email name, year, and brief statement of interest to liz_klein@american.edu by Mon, Apr 4. These statements will be handed out at the meeting and all candidates will have an opportunity to make brief remarks about their interest.

Evening Law Students Association

The Evening Law Students Association will hold elections for fall positions. Tuesday March 29 and Wednesday March 30. Tables will be set up outside Room 401. Voting hours will be 5-6, & 7:30 to 8:30.

Federalist Society

The WCL Federalist Society will be hosting a talk by Star Parker from the Center of Urban Renewl and Education on the social security crisis and the privatization of social security. Details are: **Monday April 4th 3:30-4:30 pm Room 402** Reception to Follow

Health Law and Justice Brief

Interested in Health? Government Regulation? Human Rights? Bio-Ethics? Want to Get published??? If so, then the *Health Law and Justice Brief* is for you! The Health Law and Justice Project (a new initiative created by the merger of the Student Health Law Association and the Health and Human Rights Initiative) is in the process of starting a new publication at WCL. The *Health Law and Justice Brief* will be the **only** publication in the country dedicated to health law from a human rights perspective, both domestically and internationally.

The plan is to produce a 40-page publication once a semester that contains 6-7 substantive articles on current issues of health law written from a right-based perspective. As health law is neither wholly a domestic nor international issue, the *Brief* will give equal weight to each and will be targeted to a readership of health law practitioners, students, NGO workers, public health officials, politicians, and policy makers at home and abroad.

Anchoring the substantive articles (which student may also contribute to!) will be a collection of recurring columns that highlight the legal developments in various sectors and will be written completely by students. Columns we are currently envisioning include: Legislative Watch, Pharmaceutical Update, Managed Care Issues, HIV/AIDS, Family Health, Women?s Health, Global Perspectives (issues with no geographic restriction, including work of the WHO, international organizations and NGOs, etc.), Regional Updates (USA, Africa, the Americas, Asia/Pacific, Europe), and Alumni Highlights.

We are currently in the process of acquiring the needed approval from administration. Nothing is yet set in stone, so we'd love to get as many people as possible on board. **If you would like to help develop the editorial plan further, or are interested in writing a column or an editorial position, please email us at healthlawjustice@gmail.com**

Immigrants Rights Coalition*

Conference: Criminal and Crime-Related Inadmissibility Waivers for Immigrant Survivors of Domestic Violence, Monday, April 4, 9:00am-3:00pm, Room 602.

Sessions: VAWA Crime and Crime-Related Inadmissibility Waivers; VAWA 2005 Proposals; Workshop on Putting Together a Waiver of Inadmissibility; Statutory Bars to Good Moral Character and VAWA Waivers; Other Forms of Relief for Immigrant Victims of Domestic Violence (Ts, Us, Asylum); Strategies for Dealing with Local Offices. Confirmed Speakers: Gail Pendleton, National Immigration Project; Lory Rosenberg, former boardmember of the BIA; Joanne Lin, Legal Momentum; Erin Corcoran, Human Rights First; Mary Holper, Capital Area Immigrants' Rights Coalition. ****Breakfast and Registration will begin at 8:30AM.**

Janitorial Worker Appreciation Week- From Monday March 28 to Wednesday March 30, WCL students will celebrate janitorial worker appreciation week. During those three days, a petition will be open for signature in the lobby to demonstrate student support for improved health benefits for WCL janitorial workers in their upcoming contract negotiations. By signing the petition and affixing a purple ribbon to your bag or jacket, you will be able to demonstrate to the workers that you support their goal of attaining a higher standard of healthcare and that you value them as members of the WCL community.

Careers in Employment and Labor Law: On **Wednesday March 30 from 12:05-1:25, in room 402**, as a conclusion to Janitorial Worker Appreciation Week, the Immigrants Rights Coalition (IRC), Hispanic Law Students Association (HLSA), and the National Lawyers Guild (NLG) will co-sponsor* a panel on careers in employment and labor law. Professor Susan Carle will moderate a panel of three employment and labor lawyers from the private and public sectors who will talk about their career paths and the nature of their work. Lunch will be served.

JLSA

Happy Purim! Thursday, March 24th:

5:30pm ... Gazuza Bar, 1629 Connecticut Ave, JLSA pre-Megillah reading happy hour with CU and GMU.

7pm, Megillah Reading at GW.

9pm-11pm, Blue Gin (at Wisconsin and M St, NW), JLSA post-Megillah party with GW and Georgetown.

Lambda Law

Lambda Law will be hosting a **lunch in honor of Justice Michael Kirby from the High Court of Australia.** He will be speaking on international GLBT rights. The lunch will take place **Thursday March 31 in room 528 at noon.** Food will be served.

National Security and Law Society

General Membership Meeting Wednesday, March 30th, 12-1 pm in Room 504 OR

Wednesday, March 30th, 5-6 pm in Room 503 <Students need attend only one of these meetings> With the resounding success of EMININT 2005 still being broadcast all over C-

SPAN and C-SPAN 2, the National Security and Law Society is having its final general membership meeting of the semester to set out the plans for next fall's events and hold Executive Committee elections. The National Security and Law Society welcomes any interested students, faculty, and staff to join our non-partisan forum for informed discourse on U.S. national security and foreign affairs. Our tri-fold mission is (a) to foster interest in, and understanding of, the legal aspects and ramifications of national security by sponsoring speakers and programs concerning the many issues covered by this umbrella; (b) to aid members in their pursuits of careers in these fields; and (c) to contribute to the development of national security law. For further information, visit <http://wcl.american.edu/org/nsls> or email nsls@wcl.american.edu. If you wish to run for a seat on the Executive Committee, you must email us a one-paragraph candidate statement by March 25, 2005. The offices of President, Vice-President, and Secretary/Treasurer will be elected using these statements. The two Members-at-Large will be elected by oral statements: one from the noon meeting and another from the evening meeting. Please email your statements to nsls@wcl.american.edu.

Save the Date!

“The Most Dangerous Game: Inside a CIA Molehunt” Wednesday, April 6th, 6-8 pm at DeCarlo's Restaurant (4822 Yuma St., behind Melio's and CVS facing the other direction)

The National Security and Law Society welcomes 20 people to join us in hosting the former head of CIA Counterintelligence, **Paul Redmond**, for our semi-annual practitioner's dinner. Dinner will consist of a three-course Italian meal, including a vegetarian option. Mr. Redmond ran the Counterintelligence Division's molehunts for both Aldrich Ames and Robert Hanssen, two of the most damaging spies of the 20th Century, and he will take us through the anatomy of a molehunt and the life story of a man whose job description is hunting spies. So come out on Wednesday, enjoy a very good Italian meal, and spend two hours with a man who can take you on a fascinating journey within the corridors of intrigue that comprise a CIA molehunt.

Due to limited space, please RSVP to nsls@wcl.american.edu if you plan to attend. Please indicate if you require the vegetarian option.

Street Law

Informational Meeting: Interested in using law for empowerment instead of employment? Want to teach practical legal information to high school students? To volunteer or just to learn more, join us for a brief informational meeting and lunch (not pizza) on **March 31st, 12:30-1:20** in **room 503**.

The Modern American

The Modern American, a new publication at WCL, is seeking applications for its 2005-2006 staff. If interested please contact Lydia.Edwards@american.edu. The Spring 2005 will hit the stands beginning of April.

Women's Law Association

Women's Law Association Summer Fellowship Application Due This Friday at 5pm!

Applications are available in the SBA office on the 5th floor in the box marked, "Women's Law Association Summer Fellowship 2005" and should be dropped off in the same box by 5pm this Friday, March 25. The scholarship is for \$1500 and will be awarded to a student working at an unpaid public interest position that addresses women's issues. Students with EJP or other grant

funding are eligible to apply. The recipient will be announced at the "Women to Watch" annual networking event to be held on the evening of April 13, 2005.

IN SEARCH OF...

Jennifer de Laurentiis, Special Assistant to the Dean, is seeking a Dean's Fellow for the summer. The position involves 10-20 hours per week of legal research and writing, as well as administrative tasks. Knowledge or better of Spanish is helpful, but not required. Interested students should submit a cover letter and resume to Room 365 in the Dean's Suite or via e-mail to jdelautentiis@wcl.american.edu.

Prof. Paul Williams is seeking a Dean's Fellow starting immediately and continuing through the summer. The position involves 10 hours per week at \$10/hr of administrative support, including database management, pdf'ing, and correspondance. Interested students should promptly contact Melanie Nakagawa via email at mn8878a@american.edu.

Prof. Walter Effross invites applications for the position of a Summer Research Assistant (approximately 20 hours per week for 10 weeks), involving research in **intellectual property law and commercial law (including e-commerce)**. If you are interested in the position, please leave with his assistant, Rosalena Thompson, in Room 475 before 5:00 p.m. on Friday, April 8, your resume, law school transcript, and statement of your other expected obligations during the summer.

Prof. Ann Shalleck seeks a summer research assistant to work up to 20 hours per week on issues of feminist theory (particularly the history and theory of marriage), jurisprudence, the lawyer-client relationship and family law. Please bring a resume and cover letter to Janice Iwama in room 417 or send an email to jiwama@wcl.american.edu by Friday, March 14th, 2005 at 5:00 p.m.

Professor Ruskola is looking for one or two Dean's Fellows this summer for assistance in a research project involving the history of international law in Asia. The hours are negotiable (anywhere from 10 - 30 hrs per week). The work will be mostly bibliographic and will require attention to detail and very good typing skills. If you are interested, please leave a letter describing your interest in the position as well as a resume with Frankie Winchester in Room 405.

Prof. Robert Dinerstein seeks a summer research assistant for 20 hours per week (with the possibility of additional hours) for research assistance in the areas of disability law (including special education law and international disability law) and clinical legal education and lawyering (especially client counseling). If interested, please submit a cover letter and resume to my faculty mailbox (or room 460).

Washington Office on Latin America (WOLA) and Open Society Justice Initiative

We are looking for an unpaid intern to work on the research project described below (on existing international and other regional standards on policing and human rights). The work of the intern would be to analyze comparatively some documents and write a draft document.

The project is: · To prepare a report / proposal on human rights and citizen security for presentation to the OAS Inter-American Commission on Human Rights at their October 2005 session. · At that session, request that the Commission conduct their own report (akin to the HR and terrorism report they did in 2002 which involved a lot of consultation and bringing in experts) · Propose the development of regional standards on human rights and citizen security. · Use this process to create a document(s)/declaration of standards that can be used independently as a benchmark in national debates

For the initial report to present to the Commission, we need two pieces of research:

a) On existing international and other regional standards on policing, human rights and citizen security. We need an intern to review these standards, collate them and analyze them issue by issue to see what areas are covered, and identify congruence and divergence between the texts. This would also involve some examination of case law probably mostly from the European Court we have one document that has already pulled relevant cases together. b) A review of cases before the Inter-American system to identify and pull together case law on human rights and citizen security. No one has done this before, so it may be an excellent experience

If you are interested, please contact: Gastón Chillier Senior Associate, Human Rights&Security Washington Office on Latin America (WOLA) 1630 Connecticut Ave NW, Suite 200 Washington, DC 20009 tel(202)797-2171 fax(202)797-2172 gchillier@wola.org

If you are interested in being considered for a **Deans' Fellow position in the Integrated First-Year Curriculum** for the 2005-06 school year, please drop off your resume in Room 414 (Professor Popper's office), no later than April 8. Please include a brief letter as well as a copy of your transcript.

ADDITIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Summer Comparative Justice Institute In The Netherlands And Germany -- Making summer plans? Instead of looking for the traditional law firm job, why not study crime, justice and the legal systems of the Netherlands and Germany! Once again, The Comparative Justice Institute (CJI) offers you a chance to gain an in-depth understanding of legal and justice systems which substantially differ from that of the United States. Participants will see first-hand how other cultures and legal systems address social problems such as crime, civil disorder, terrorism and drugs. Students will have to opportunity to hear lectures from prosecutors, judges and defense attorneys as well as other criminal justice officials. The CJI is a three week (May 23 to June 9, 2005) intensive course of study involving six hours of law school or graduate credit. The past eight Institutes (1991 - 2003) received very positive evaluations from the WCL students who participated. For information about the CJI, please visit our web site at www.American.edu/SPA/CJI. This site contains details regarding course philosophy, content, daily schedule, application process and costs. If you would like further information, please contact: Dr. Richard Bennett (202-885-2956) or Patrick Smythe (202-885-6329), Department of Justice, Law and Society, American University. You can also e-mail us at CJI@American.edu.

Notary Service is available in Room 417, the Clinical Program office. Please stop by or call 274-4142 to see if the notary is available or to set up an appointment. The fee is \$2 per transaction.

Japan Table

Come and meet people with a common interest in Japan at the Monday Japan Table. We meet in an informal setting over lunch and chat (in English or Japanese) about our connections with Japan and current Japan-related issues. Please join us in the **International Student Lounge from 12:30 to 1:30 on Mondays** - anyone is welcome regardless of language skills! If you have questions, feel free to contact Kristen Johnson at kristen.johnson@american.edu.

C.F.T.C. Field Component-Law 785 Students who will have completed Business Associations and Securities Regulation by the end of the Spring semester of 2005 or who, by the end of the Spring semester 2005, will have completed Business Associations and who will enroll in the Securities Regulation course in the Fall 2005 semester and are prepared also to enroll in an Advanced Securities Law Seminar or in a the Seminar on Derivatives are eligible to participate in a Field Component at the Commodity Futures Trading Commission. Please submit your resume, a copy of your transcript, a writing sample and a cover letter by 5:30 p.m. on Friday April 8th 2005 to Professor Guttman's mailbox in room 465 or to Carolyn Wright, his Sr. Legal Assistant in room 325. One hundred and forty (140) hours of working with a staff attorney or Administrative Law Judge at the Commission will earn two credits; working for two hundred and ten hours with such attorney or Judge will earn three credits. There will also be a meeting with Professor Guttman every second week. for approx. one hour.

U.S. Department of State Office of the Legal Adviser Applications are invited for a student internship at the Department of State Office of the Legal Adviser. The work involves 210 to 280 hours over the Fall 2005 semester and enables a student to earn up to six credits. (At seventy hours of work per credit) Areas under consideration by the Department include subjects in the fields of Diplomatic Law, Law Enforcement, Human Rights & Refugees, Western Hemisphere, Economic & Business, etc.

Students having an interest in these areas, as shown by the courses and seminars they have taken or intend to take by the end of the Spring 2005 semester should submit a resume, a copy of their transcript, a writing sample and a cover letter by by 5:30 p.m. on Friday March 25th 2005. Interested applicants can submit this information to Professor Guttman's mailbox in room 465 or to Carolyn Wright his Sr. Legal Assistant in room 325. Students in this externship will be meeting with Professor Guttman every other week for one hour.

S.E.C. Student Observers Program (Field Component)-Law 784 I would like to draw the attention of students who have completed Securities Regulation or are going to complete this course by the end of the Spring semester 2005, that students so qualified can apply for participation for a **minimum of three credits in the Field Component-Student Observers Program** at the Securities and Exchange Commission for the Fall 2005 semester. [Law-784] Students will be expected to work a minimum of two hundred and ten hours (210) with an attorney on the staff of the Commission and will have to attend approximately nine seminars given by Commissioners, staff and outside counsel. (These meeting usually take place on a Wednesday at 3:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.) Students participating in this Student Observers Program also will have to enroll in an advanced securities law seminar, such as Regulation of Securities Markets, Mergers and Acquisitions, Seminar on Derivatives, etc. which enables students to earn additional credits.

Students should submit their resume, a copy of their transcript, a writing sample and a cover letter by 5:30 p.m. on Friday, April 8th 2005. Interested applicants can submit this information to Professor Guttman's mailbox in room 465 or to Carolyn Wright his Sr. Legal Assistant in room 325. During the semester students will be meeting with Professor Guttman to discuss recent developments in securities law every other week for approximately one hour.

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF SECURITIES DEALERS (NASD) Students who have completed the course on Securities Regulation or are going to have complete this course by the end of the Spring semester 2005, are invited to apply for participation in a three credit externship at the National Association of Securities Dealers for the Fall 2005 semester. [Law-784] Students will be expected to work with an attorney on the staff of the NASD two hundred and ten hours (210) for three credits. Students participating in this Program also will have to enroll in an advanced securities law seminar, such as Regulation of Securities Markets, Mergers and Acquisitions, Seminar on Derivatives, etc. which enables students to earn additional credits. Students interested should submit their resume, a copy of their transcript, and a cover letter along with a writing sample by 5:30 p.m. on Friday April 8th 2005 to Professor Guttman's mailbox in room 465 or to Carolyn Wright his Sr. Legal Assistant in room 325. Students accepted by the NASD for this externship will also meet with Professor Guttman every alternative week to discuss recent developments in securities law.

EXTERNSHIP WITH THE SECURITIES INDUSTRY ASSOCIATION (SIA)- I would like to draw the attention of students who have completed Securities Regulation or are going to complete this course by the end of the Spring semester 2005, that students so qualified can apply for participation in a two or three credit externship at the Securities Industry Association (SIA) for the Fall 2005 semester. Students will be expected to work with an attorney on the staff of the SIA for one hundred and forty hours (140) for two credits or two hundred and ten hours (210) for three credits. Students participating in this Program also will have to enroll in an advanced securities law seminar, such as Regulation of Securities Markets, Mergers and Acquisitions, Seminar on Derivatives, etc. which enables students to earn additional credits. Students selected by the SIA will also meet with Professor Guttman to discuss recent developments in securities law every two weeks for approx. one hour. Students interested should submit their resume, a copy of their transcript, and a cover letter along with a writing sample by 5:30 p.m. on Friday April 8th 2005 to Professor Guttman, mailbox in room 465 or to his Sr. Legal Assistant in room 325.

SPEND THE SUMMER IN ARGENTINA AND CHILE: SUMMER LAW PROGRAM IN CHILE June 2- July 3, 2005 DEADLINE PAST DUE!!!! FEW SPOTS AVAILABLE

Contact msaez@wcl.american.edu Or visit www.wcl.american.edu/chile

PRACTICING LAW IN CANADA Thursday, April 7 from 12:00 pm to 1:00 pm Room 601 A panel of Canadian law professors will talk about legal education, bar exam and practicing law in and with Canada. Refreshments will be served.
RSVP: msaez@wcl.american.edu

OFFICE OF CAREER SERVICES

ATTENTION ALL 1LS!! – A PROGRAM YOU SHOULD NOT MISS!!

Preparing for Your Second Year Job Search – The process to find your 2L summer job starts **THIS SUMMER!** Learn the **Application Procedures, Hiring Processes of various employers, Timelines, Critical Dates & Deadlines and Resources** you need to know to find your next summer job. This program is currently scheduled twice to accommodate as many students as possible – you only need to attend one. Register for either session on eCampusRecruiter no later than **March 28th**.

Session One – Wednesday, March 30th, 12:00 to 1:30, Room 401
Session Two – Wednesday, April 6th, 12:00 to 1:30, Room 524

****We recognize one section of students has classes that overlap these times – please note you are encouraged to come as soon as your class ends and to leave early for your next class if you are in that section.****

Lunch (Yes, Pizza!) Will be served

Regional Interview Program Information Session for 1Ls & 2Ls

WCL will hold its annual regional interview programs again this year in Atlanta on August 10th, in New York on August 29th, in Boston on September 2nd and on the West Coast on September 16th. Students interested in interviewing with large and medium firm employers in these areas should attend an information session **March 31st, from 12-1pm in the WCL Student Lounge.**

3L/4L Counseling Week

The Office of Career Services is sponsoring a 3L/4L Counseling Week commencing on Monday, March 28th. A number of individual counseling appointments have been reserved for students in the 2005 graduating class. Career Counselors will be available to discuss job search strategies and other career development issues. Students **must have an updated eCampusRecruiter profile** prior to scheduling an appointment. Please contact OCS to select an appointment time.

Attention 3L / 4L Job Seekers!

OCS has resources and programs especially for the job-seeking graduating student. Please make sure to come by and make an appointment to discuss your job search. In the interim, be sure to take advantage of the following:

- eCampusRecruiter for all OCS job postings (www.ecampusrecruiter.com/auwcl)
- OCS Job Bulletin Exchange for out-of-state opportunities (can be found on the Job Search Skills & Resources portion of the OCS website)
- Semester-long series of OCS programs geared exclusively to the job seeking graduating student.
- Special interest Listservs on the OCS website.
- The *Government Honors & Internship Handbook* available at OCS and on line. (There are deadlines in November, December and early January for graduating students)

Spring Recruitment Program

Stop by the Office of Career Services to pick up information needed to participate in Spring Recruitment. If you have additional questions, please contact the Office of Career Services front desk personnel at 202-274-4090.

JOB/VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Immediate Hire – Paid Law Clerk Position

The Law Offices of Lynne K. Zusman & Associates is in need of a part-time law clerk to work a minimum of 8 hours a week starting **IMMEDIATELY** and working into the summer. This is a paid position (\$25 per hour) and an excellent opportunity for a student to work with active cases. You will find more information on this position in the **Temporary/Part-Time** section of **eCampusRecruiter**.

Check out **eCampusRecruiter** for summer associate, internships, and post-graduate (including judicial clerkships) positions. Positions on **eCampusRecruiter** are updated daily and can also be found in binders in the OCS office. To obtain a user ID and password go to www.ecampusrecruiter.com/auwcl. An explanation on how to use **eCampusRecruiter** is available on the front page of the OCS website.

NETWORKING OPPORTUNITY

Are you interested in intellectual property, patent litigation, or the procurement of patents and trademarks? Would you like the opportunity to conduct a mock trial from start to finish? Would you like to take a deposition on your own? Are you ready to be challenged by a two-week advocacy skills training program that emphasizes hands-on experience, teamwork, and maximizes partner-student interaction?

If you answered "Yes" to any of these questions, please join **Howrey Simon Arnold & White, LLP on Wednesday, March 30, 2005** for a cocktail reception for area first-year law school students. You'll learn about our five-week summer associate program, Howrey Bootcamp, and our IP practice. You'll meet partners and associates from our IP, Antitrust and Global Litigation practices, members of our Hiring Committee, and former & incoming Summer Associates. We hope you will take this opportunity to meet us prior to the fall recruiting season. Please visit www.howreybootcamp.com for more information on this one-of-a-kind summer experience.

Please RSVP to bootcamp-admin@howrey.com and indicate your school. Business casual attire. We look forward to meeting you!

PUBLIC INTEREST & GOVERNMENT

Upcoming Sessions:

Working on the Hill, April 4 in Room 526 at noon: Hear panelists discuss their jobs on Capitol Hill and learn of the career paths that got them there.

Making the Most of Your Summer Internship, April 5 in Room 528 at noon: What do you want to gain from your summer experience? This session will discuss setting goals and managing your expectations as you embark on your summer adventure.

Upcoming Events:

Mark your Calendars for the Peter M. Cicchino Public Service Awards Dinner, Monday, March 28th at WCL: All students are invited to join the WCL Public Interest Committee, Dean Grossman, and keynote speaker Prof. Peter Edelman as we celebrate the public service community here at WCL. Awards will be given to: the 2005 Cicchino Awardees, 2005 graduates who have completed the Pro Bono Honors Pledge Program, 2005 graduates who have received post-graduate public interest fellowships, recipients of the WCL Community Service Awards, more. Watch this space for additional information. The dinner will be held from 6-9 p.m. on the sixth floor.

Summer Funding Opportunities:

Equal Justice Works Summer Corps applications are available:

The Summer Corps supports law students at public interest organizations around the country in a common purpose – to expand legal services delivery to those who need it most. The Summer Corps is an AmeriCorps-funded program that will provide 250 law students with the opportunity to earn a \$1,000 education award voucher for spending their 2005 summer in a qualifying internship at a non-profit, public interest organization. Summer Corps members provide critically needed legal assistance in low-income or underserved communities in the U.S. on a broad range of issue areas.

Once you have obtained a qualifying internship, please complete the Equal Justice Works Summer Corps online application. Equal Justice Works will review applications as they are received on a first-come, first-serve basis, and notify applicants of their status after March 30. Students are strongly encouraged to apply as soon as possible to improve their chances for acceptance into the program.

Go to the Equal Justice Works website (<http://www.equaljusticeworks.org/find/1213app.php>) to learn about this program and complete the application. **Deadline: March 30**

Job Opportunities:

Continue to check eCampusRecruiter for public interest and government summer internships and postgraduate positions.

JUDICIAL CLERKSHIPS

CONVERSATIONS ABOUT CLERKSHIPS (“CAC”) – Networking Opportunities

Remaining Lunches on April 1st and April 8th

Interested in finding out more about judicial clerkships and internships? Planning to apply for post-graduate clerkships? Curious about how judges hire interns?

Don't miss this opportunity to have lunch with current judicial clerks and alumni working in federal and state courts in the DC area (lunches will take place in restaurants near the applicable courthouse). For some lunch dates, courtroom tours, chambers visits, and/or oral arguments will also be arranged.

These current judicial clerks are interested in talking with you about:

- their clerkship experience
- the role of an intern in their court or chambers
- tips for applying for clerkships and/or internships
- other questions you have!

Participation in this networking program is open to all students – but limited to five students per lunch. To register, go to eCampusRecruiter – choose “Interviews & Events”, click the title of each lunch to find out more information, and choose “Signup” to register. At this time, space only permits students to register for one lunch. Please note: you are responsible for paying for your own lunch and traveling to and from the event location.

ATTENTION 3Ls/4Ls:

Opportunities are still available for the 2005 term!

Recent postings include opportunities with the *Commercial Division of the Supreme Court of the State of New York, United States District Court for the Western District of Virginia, Los Angeles Superior Court, and the Superior Court of the District of Columbia* (updated recently to include a list of judges still accepting applications).

* Look up other judge and court-specific hiring information on **eCampusRecruiter** under "Judicial Clerkship".

ATTENTION 2Ls:

Planning to apply for a judicial clerkship for the 2006 term?

Be sure to attend one of OCS's judicial clerkship Nuts & Bolts Workshops this spring to get critical updates and deadlines you need to know!

Monday, March 28 (5-6 p.m.) - Room 627
Wednesday, March 30 (12-1 p.m.) - Room 500
Tuesday, April 5 (5-6 p.m.) - Room 101
Thursday, April 7 (12-1 p.m.) - Room 526

RSVP to [Shelley Rudge](mailto:serudge@wcl.american.edu) at serudge@wcl.american.edu if you plan to attend (please specify which workshop).

Do you want to finish your post-graduate job search this year? Some judges on the Maryland Court of Appeals, Maryland Court of Special Appeals, and Oregon Judicial Department are now accepting applications for the 2006 term. Check the "Judicial Clerkship" section of eCampusRecruiter for more information (you will see "2006 position" in the job title line).

CHECK OUT THE JUDICIAL CLERKSHIP ALUMNI SURVEY DATABASE!

Link to this database from the main page of the judicial clerkship website. Use this database to locate and review feedback from alumni who clerked with federal judges, state judges/justices, and administrative law judges around the country. The alumni surveys include information about:

- Clerkship experience (role in chambers, main duties, and judge's demeanor)
- Interview process (format, length, and even specific questions asked)
- Application advice specific to the judge or court
- Alumni contact information so you can call or e-mail with further questions

To subscribe to the Judicial Clerkships Email List, e-mail Shelley Rudge at serudge@wcl.american.edu.

E-mail or call Shelley Rudge, Judicial Clerkship Coordinator, to set up an appointment (serudge@wcl.american.edu or (202) 274-4251) to discuss judicial clerkships and internships.

DIVERSITY OPPORTUNITIES

Heartland Diversity Legal Job Fair - The HDLJF is a brand new initiative designed by the Kansas City Metropolitan Bar Association's Diversity and Managing Partner Committees. The Job Fair will highlight Kansas City and show why Kansas City is a fantastic place to live and work. In addition, it will provide great job opportunities for students from all over of the nation. The Job Fair will start with a welcome reception on **Friday, September 9**. On Saturday, employers will start interviewing at 9 a.m. We are planning a luncheon open to students, sponsors, employers and invited guests from 12 - 1:30 p.m. The interviewing will conclude at 5 p.m.

How to Register - Registration will be available starting **April 1, 2005** for the Heartland Diversity Legal Job Fair. Registration must be completed via our Law Career Web site. In order to register you must obtain a registration ID by emailing your full name, email address, law school, and class level to heartlanddiversity@kcmba.org. Within 48 hours of requesting a registration ID, you will receive your ID and password via the email address you provide. Once you

receive your registration ID and password, you may access the [Law Career Web site](#) to register and upload registration information needed for employers (i.e., cover letter, resume, transcript and writing sample). **Registration deadline is July 15, 2005.**

Networking Reminders

- **The Diversity Committee of the Washington Area Legal Recruitment Administrators Association (WALRAA)** is sponsoring a Diversity 8-Minute Networking Event & Reception for 1L students which will be held on **Tuesday, March 29, 2005** at the JW Marriott Hotel on Pennsylvania Avenue NW.
- **DC Minority Attorney Networking Series** inaugural meeting **Thursday, March 31st from 6:00-7:30 pm** at the offices of Fried, Frank, Harris, Shriver & Jacobson, LLP. Please RSVP to Renee Stapley at renee_stapley@friedfrank.com or 202-639-7465.
- **DuPont 12th Annual DuPont Legal Minority Job Fairs** is an opportunity for law students to interview with law firms and legal service companies **Saturday, August 13th** in various locations throughout the U.S. Registration for the Job Fairs will be completed electronically by logging onto www.ballardspahr.com. **The deadline for receipt of your application is Friday, April 8th.**
- **PERSPECTIVES IN RACIAL & ETHNIC DIVERSITY IN THE LEGAL PROFESSION** A Reception Honoring DC Area Law Students of Color **Monday, April 11th from 5:30-7:30 pm** at the Jones Day law offices in Washington, DC. Please RSVP by Wednesday, April 6th to Lisa Reichmann at lreichmann@jonesday.com or 202-879-5565.

Scholarship Reminders

Finnegan Henderson Diversity Scholarship will provide financial support to qualified students from underrepresented minority groups who have demonstrated a commitment to pursuing a career in IP law. Scholarship application materials can be found in the Office of Career Services and Diversity Services. Additional information about the scholarship and an application form will be posted on www.finnegan.com. **The deadline for applications is April 15, 2005.**

Crowell & Moring Diversity Scholarship

In celebration of its twenty-fifth anniversary, Crowell & Moring LLP introduces its Diversity in the Legal Profession Scholarship for deserving racially or ethnically diverse students at an accredited law school in the District of Columbia. **Deadline for applications is April 18, 2005.** Scholarship application materials can be found in the Office of Career Services and Diversity Services. For additional information about the scholarship and the other diversity initiatives at Crowell & Moring, please go to:

www.crowell.com/diversity

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR LL.M. STUDENTS

<http://www.wcl.american.edu/ocs/llmforeign.cfm>

**COVER LETTER AND INTERVIEWING SKILLS WORKSHOP FOR
FOREIGN-TRAINED LL.M. STUDENTS**

The Office of Career Services, the International Legal Studies and the Law and Government Programs are co-sponsoring this semester Cover Letter and Interviewing Skills Workshops for Foreign-Trained LL.M. students. Come and get training on cover letter writing and interviewing skills.

Please if you are planning to attend any of the following sessions, send an e-mail to Sandra P. Buteau at sbuteau@wcl.american.edu, reserving your slot:

April 8, 2005 from 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. (Room 101)

Why do you need to attend this workshop?

You are going to get very important information on how to draft a cover letter, why it is important to always include a cover letter with a resume when you are applying for a position. You will also get tips on how interviews are conducted in the U.S., and much more.

MOCK INTERVIEWS

Do not let your first interview actually be your *first* interview in the United States. One of the best ways to prepare for upcoming interviews is to participate in a mock interview. Sandra Buteau will be conducting mock interviews by appointment only in OCS. She requests that students drop off a copy of their resume 24 hours prior to the appointment and indicate what employer-type they would like her to assume in the mock interview and also bring description of the position you are applying for. To schedule a mock interview, please stop by OCS (Suite 515) or schedule an appointment with Sandra P. Buteau.

What is a mock interview?

A mock interview is an individual session with a career counselor to help you prepare for an interview. The counselor will ask you traditional and behavioral questions and you will be asked to respond them, as in a real interview. After the interview, you will be given constructive feedback regarding your interviewing style and how you responded to the questions.

REMINDERS

eCampusRecruiter Categories for Job Postings:

Permanent/Full Time – Post Graduate Positions for 3Ls & Lateral Positions for Alumni

Permanent/Part Time – Part Time Post Graduate Positions for 3Ls & Lateral Positions for Alumni

Judicial Clerkship – Post Graduate Positions

Summer/Full Time – Full Time Summer Associate, Law Clerk & Judicial Internships

Summer/Part Time – Part Time Summer Internships (including Judicial) & Law Clerk Positions

Temporary/Full Time – Contract Attorney Positions, Fellowships, Full Time Law Clerk Positions & Internships (including Judicial)

Temporary/Part Time – Academic year Part Time Law Clerk Positions & Internships (including Judicial)

OCS Website:

Some portions of the OCS website are protected by password for use by Washington College of Law students and alumni. A login ID and password will be provided once the **eCampusRecruiter** registration process has been completed.

OCS Listservs:

OCS posts job opportunities (for 2Ls & 3Ls/4Ls) and time sensitive information about career programs on various listservs. There are six listservs focused on various practice sectors including Public Interest, Private Practice and Law Firm, Government, Corporate, International, and Judicial Clerkships.

To subscribe to any list, send an email to listserv@listserv.american.edu with the following in the body of the message:

For Government Careers:

Subscribe AUWCL_Government_Careers FirstName LastName

For Public Interest Careers:

Subscribe AUWCL_Public_Interest FirstName LastName

For Judicial Clerkships:

Subscribe AUWCL_Clerkships FirstName LastName

For Corporate and Other Opportunities:

Subscribe AUWCL_CORP_OTHER FirstName LastName

For International Careers:

Subscribe AUWCL_INTL_CAREERS FirstName LastName

For Private Practice and Law Firm Opportunities:

Subscribe AUWCL_PRIVATE_PRACTICE FirstName LastName

OCS Counseling Services:

OCS has seven career counselors to assist you with the career planning process.

Counseling services include:

- resume and cover letter review
- creating job search strategies
- conducting mock interviews

Counselors also specialize in judicial clerkships, public interest, private practice and government as noted below. To schedule an appointment, call 202-274-4090 or by stop by Suite 515.

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Sandra Buteau

International LL.M.s &

J.D.s Who Want To Work Abroad

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Michelle Stevens

Private Firms, Government &
General Counseling

Shelley Rudge

Judicial Clerkships

mstevens@wcl.american.edu

DROP IN HOURS

A counselor is available every Monday – Thursday from 11:30am to 12:30pm to answer quick questions regarding resumes, cover letters and issues relating to the job search process. To speak to a counselor regarding in-depth resume or cover letter review or regarding individual career or job search strategies, please schedule an appointment by speaking with one of our front desk staff members.

EVENTS FOR THE WEEK OF March 28

Monday, March 28

ALL WEEK, Suite 515, 3L/4L Counseling Week

12:30-1:30 pm, International Student Lounge, Japan Table.

5:00-6:00pm, Room 627, Judicial Clerkship Nuts & Bolts Workshop

6–9pm, 6th Floor Dining Rm, The Sixth Annual Peter M. Cicchino Public Service Awards Dinner

Tuesday, March 29

5-6, & 7:30 to 8:30pm, outside Room 401, Evening Law Students Association elections

Wednesday, March 30

8:30-10am, 6th Floor Stu. Lounge, Action For Human Rights Coffee Hour

12-1 pm, Rm 504 OR 5-6 pm Rm 503, National Security and Law Society General Membership Meeting

12-1:30pm, Room 401, Preparing for Your Second Year Job Search

12:00-1:00pm, Room 500, Judicial Clerkship Nuts & Bolts Workshop

12-1:30pm, Rm 603, Beijing + 10 “A Look at the Beijing Platform Ten Years Down the Road”

12:05-1:25, Rm 402, Careers in Employment and Labor Law

5-6, & 7:30 to 8:30pm, outside Room 401, Evening Law Students Association elections

5:30-8pm, Loews L'Enfant Plaza Hotel, The Seventh Annual Grotius Lecture

Thursday, March 31

12 pm, Rm 528, Justice Michael Kirby from the High Court of Australia on int'l GLBT rights

12:30-1:20pm, Rm 627, Christian Legal Society Meeting & Elections

12-1pm, Student Lounge, Regional Interview Program Information Session

12:30-1:20 pm, Rm 503, Street Law Informational Meeting

1-7pm, Rm 603, Election Protection and Democracy Expansion: A Const. Reform Agenda for the New Century

3 pm, Organization of American States, register at officeofexternalrelations@oas.org, Philippe Kirsch, Pres. International Criminal Court on the Int'l Crim. Court & the Enforcement of Int'l Justice.

Saturday, April 2

10am-5:00pm, Rms 602 & 603, 9th Sylvania Woods Conference on African Americans and the Law