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OFFICE OF THE REGISTRAR

E-mail: registrar@wcl.american.edu

SPRING 2006 ADVANCE REGISTRATION

INSTRUCTIONS:

On Tuesday, Nov. 8th, at 9:00 a.m., advance registration for spring 2006 courses will begin. There will be an initial window of 2 hours for each lottery group. Students are asked not to attempt to all log onto the system in the first minute of this window. First year students will be block-registered by our office and cannot add or drop courses.

Each group will begin to register based upon the last digit in the student ID, beginning with those ending in "4". (based upon the order of previous years' lotteries) The priority order is: (1) 4th-year part-time, 3rd-year full-time, and LLM students; and, (2) 3rd-year part-time, 2nd-year full-time and 2nd-year part-time. The first group will begin at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 8th, with new groups being added at 2 hour intervals, i.e., 11:00 a.m., 1:00 p.m., 3:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m. A new group will begin the next morning, Wednesday Nov. 9th, at 9:00 a.m. and new groups will be added at 2 hour intervals through 5:00 p.m. (a schedule is attached and lists each lottery group, within priority).

Advance registration will continue for the second priority group on Thursday, Nov. 10th run at 2 hour intervals from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and continue on Friday, Nov. 11th, at 2 hour intervals from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Please check the attached schedule to be certain of the time of your registration based upon the last digit of your AU ID number.

Students may register for ANY section of Legal Ethics and, once a student has registered, he/she may continue to make course changes and add or drop courses from the time of registration through the first week of classes.

PREPARE...

The web portal is my.american.edu (no "www"). You must know your EagleNet ID and password to gain access to the registration process. Be aware that your password will expire every 60 days, so you may need to renew it to proceed. If you cannot remember your password or your password has expired, you can reset your password through the web or contact the Help Desk at 202-885-2550.

You must clear any stops on your account before registering. You may check these stops on your snapshot on my.american.edu (**View STOPS**). These include financial, parking, library, immunization, billing address, visa, etc. You should check with appropriate offices to clear these stops. First year students who have stops will not be registered until those stops are cleared.

All international students must check with the International Student Services Office on the main campus (Butler Pavilion 410 – Tel: 202-885-3350) to be cleared for registration. Non-degree, SJD, transfer students and students who have taken a semester off should check with the registrar's office for registration.

Advance registration will begin Tuesday, Nov 8th at 9:00 a.m., and a listing of priority order is attached (based upon lottery rotation of the last number of the 7-digit student ID). New groups will be added based upon priority and graduation date and registration will continue through the first week of classes. Sufficient spaces will be held in evening sections of classes that have more than one section for part-time students through December 2nd. Additionally, if a class closes, it will remain closed to all except students graduating in May. That class will remain reserved for these students through December 16th. Full-time and part-time students may register for any elective class offered when spaces are available.

SELECT CLASSES...

Check the course schedule carefully (www.wcl.american.edu/courses/) and prepare a conflict-free schedule of courses. Take the time to make your course selection prior to logging on to the web site. The portal will time out after 10 minutes, so it will help to have all the course numbers of your classes prior to logging on. Web registration will allow conflicting classes; however, students cannot receive credit for any class that overlaps with another. It is essential that you change one of these classes to avoid conflicts. Permission is required for registration for externship, clinic and independent studies. Instructor permission may also be required for some other courses.

If you are a full-time student and wish to register for more than 16 credits (up to 17), you will need prior approval from the registrar's office. Part-time students may take a maximum of 11 credits.

REGISTER...

Go to my.american.edu and log on using your Eaglenet ID and password. If you need help, click on the link provided.

Go to "Course Registration" in the listing on the right-hand side. Then, under "Personalized Links", log onto "WCL Course Registration". If the portal has a large number of users, you will receive a message asking you to wait and remain in the "queue". You will also be reminded not to click on "SUBMIT" more than once.

You will be asked to AGREE or DISAGREE with the initial statement of Student Responsibility, and then another statement on Parking Policy. If you AGREE, you may proceed to registration; if you DISAGREE, you will be unable to register.

Proceed to the section in green on the left – REGISTER/ADD COURSES. Carefully enter data for each block. You must enter "Law" in the first block, then the course number (three digits), then course section (usually "001" or "002") in the next block, then choose the semester (Spring 2006) and, finally, the grade type. Most courses may not be taken Pass/Fail. You must enter this information for EACH COURSE you choose.

Once you have entered all course information, **click on SUBMIT one-time only**. Warning: clicking on SUBMIT more than once may cause you to be thrown out of the queuing process and you will have to begin again. You are strongly urged to print out your schedule once you have completed the process to be absolutely certain of your class schedule.

SPRING 2006 SEMESTER

PRIORITY AND LOTTERY GROUPS

Priority Group #1 – 4th-year part-time, 3rd-year full-time, LLM

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| Tuesday, Nov. 8 th | 9:00 a.m. | (ID numbers ending in 4) |
| | 11:00 a.m. | (ID numbers ending in 2) |
| | 1:00 p.m. | (ID numbers ending in 1) |
| | 3:00 p.m. | (ID numbers ending in 3) |
| | 5:00 p.m. | (ID numbers ending in 5) |
| Wednesday, Nov. 9 th | 9:00 a.m. | (ID numbers ending in 0) |
| | 11:00 a.m. | (ID numbers ending in 9) |
| | 1:00 p.m. | (ID numbers ending in 8) |
| | 3:00 p.m. | (ID numbers ending in 7) |
| | 5:00 p.m. | (ID numbers ending in 6) |

Priority Group #2 - 3rd-year part-time, 2nd-year full-time, 2nd-year part-time

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|---------------------------------|------------|--------------------------|
| Thursday, Nov. 10 th | 9:00 a.m. | (ID numbers ending in 4) |
| | 11:00 a.m. | (ID numbers ending in 2) |
| | 1:00 p.m. | (ID numbers ending in 1) |
| | 3:00 p.m. | (ID numbers ending in 3) |
| | 5:00 p.m. | (ID numbers ending in 5) |
| Friday, Nov. 11 th | 9:00 a.m. | (ID numbers ending in 0) |
| | 11:00 a.m. | (ID numbers ending in 9) |
| | 1:00 p.m. | (ID numbers ending in 8) |
| | 3:00 p.m. | (ID numbers ending in 7) |
| | 5:00 p.m. | (ID numbers ending in 6) |

REGISTRAR'S OFFICE HOURS

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| 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.

ANONYMOUS GRADING NUMBERS: All students must use anonymous grading numbers, and not names, on all school examinations. To find your anonymous grading number, go to <http://my.american.edu/>, click on “Academics” and find “WCL Anonymous Grading numbers, under Personal Links. Previous semesters’ numbers are also available.

EXAMINATION DEFERRAL REQUESTS Copies of the examination schedule are available on-line and in the Registrar’s office. Forms for requesting deferral of examinations are also available. Deferral requests are due in the office by November 23, 2005. The Faculty Policy for examination deferral is included on the form and is printed in the WCL Catalog.

ATTENTION FEBRUARY BAR EXAM APPLICANTS:

Anyone needing certification to submit with your bar exam application, please request as soon as possible! (for most states, applying early means avoiding late and/or higher fees!) Please be sure to carefully read all instructions before filing your bar exam applications. Each state has different requirements and procedures. Go to **barexam.org** to find your state’s exam instructions, requirements, deadlines, and fees.

OFFICE OF STUDENT AFFAIRS

Flu Shot Clinic at WCL

With the support of the AU Health Center, the WCL Office of Student Affairs is pleased to host once again a Flu Shot Clinic. The clinic will be held today **Thursday, November 3, from 11am-1pm and from 4pm-6pm in the 6th floor student lounge. No appointment necessary. \$20 cash or check (made payable to American University).**

Writing Competition:

The Maryland State Bar Association's Section of Criminal Law and Practice announces the first annual Honorable Joseph F. Murphy, Jr. Legal Writing Competition open to all law students. *Please direct all inquiries to rmkamins@bennettbair.com* Entries must be submitted by email to rmkamins@bennettbair.com no later than **Wednesday, November 23, 2005.**

FIRST YEAR INTEGRATED CURRICULUM

Join your IC Deans Fellows for the much anticipated panel discussion on Exam Preparation & Strategies!

**WHEN: Tuesday, November 15, 2005 12pm-1pm - Room 402 Sections 1 & 3
Thursday, November 17, 2005 12pm-1pm - Room 402 Sections 2 & 4**

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
If I'm not in my office, please leave a message in the basket next to my door. saw

EVENTS

November 8

12:30 PM--DDC Fall 2005 Speaker Series, Part 1:

Professor Cynthia Jones will speak on wrongful convictions, with particular emphasis on the deficiencies in newly-enacted innocence protection laws, as discussed in her recent law review article entitled "*Evidence Destroyed, Innocence Lost: The Preservation of Evidence Under Innocence Protection Statutes.*"

RSVP required at diversity@wcl.american.edu

November 10

“Tribute to Mrs. Rosa Parks and the Honorable Constance Baker Motley: The Progression of the Civil Rights Movement”, Faculty Dining Room(rm. 600) 6:00-7:30 PM, sponsored by BLSA – Speakers Crispian Kirk, NAACP; Sonja Jarvis, civil rights attorney; Barbara Arnwine, Lawyers’ Committee; Jamin Raskin, WCL professor of law; moderator, Sherry Weaver

November 17

“South Africa: Symbol of Change” – Room 603, 6:00-8:00pm— sponsored by the LL.M Board , the Center for Human Rights and Humanitarian Law, and the Office of Diversity Services

LEGAL ANALYSIS STUDY GROUP

Office Hours: Rhonda VanLowe will hold office hours on Tuesday, November 8, from 6:30-8:00

Exam skills sessions to be scheduled soon

STUFF ON THE TABLE

- Latham & Watkins Diversity Scholars Program
- Summer Clerk Program: Shulman Rogers Gandal Porody & Ecker, P.A.
- GWAC Foundation Book Award Scholarship Interview Program announcement
- Appleseed Foundation Internship
- LASG Fact Sheet

OFFICE OF FINANCIAL AID

Contact the office if you have a financial aid related Astop@ on your account. Spring registration may be blocked if problems related to disbursement are not resolved.

Spring Course Load

If you are in the full-time program but plan to take a reduced course load spring term, please notify the office. For financial aid purposes enrollment in fewer than 12 credit

hours constitutes part-time study and requires that aid in excess of the part-time allotment be reduced. (*Full-time cost of attendance = \$25,246 per semester; part-time = \$20,143.*)
NOTE: FULL-TIME ENROLLMENT IS REQUIRED FOR NEED-BASED GRANT ELIGIBILITY.

Loan Adjustment Alert

Any change in loan awards for the year must be initiated through this office. Do **not** contact Citibank directly for loan adjustments. Doing so will result in inconsistencies in award information which will delay disbursement and result in misreporting of loan information to the Department of Education. If you are considering award changes of any kind for spring let us know by December 1.

Dean's Fellows

The next scheduled pay day is November 30. You should consider Appointments for the term must be finalized and submitted by **November 7** in order for payment to be issued this semester. Contact Karen Morgan if you have questions.

Computer Purchases

Receipts for computer equipment purchases must be submitted to confirm eligibility for the extra funds. Submit original receipts to the office immediately to avoid reduction of aid and return of funds to your lender.

Prospective Graduates - December 2005

Please notify the office if you will graduate this December.

2006-2007 Financial Aid

You **must** reapply to receive aid next year. Renewal FAFSA information is on the way. Be sure that your contact information is current with the Department of Education. Your e-mail address and other information can be updated via the Student Access segment of www.fafsa.ed.gov. Call (800) 4-FED-AID if you have questions. Application processing begins *after* January 1.

Outside Scholarships

Information regarding the following outside scholarship opportunities has been received.

- **Datatel Scholars Foundation Scholarships** for students attending Datatel client schools. AU is a Datatel client. Awards are for the 2006-07 academic year. Apply at <http://www.datatel.com/global/scholarships/>
- **Lura Bradfield Scholarship** for women attending AU. Contact the donor at <http://www.lurabradfieldfoundation.org/scholarships.cfm> to apply. *Note: The link from their site to AU is directed to undergraduate student information.*

OFFICE OF PUBLIC INTEREST

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

Upcoming Events

Lunchtime Screening of *Abandoned: The Betrayal of America's Immigrants*, Thursday, November 3, 12-1:30pm, Rm. 402

Please join the Immigrants' Rights Coalition for a lunch time screening of "Abandoned: The Betrayal of America's Immigrants" on November 3 from 12:00-1:30 followed by a presentation and discussion facilitated by three immigration detention experts, Andrea Black of the Detention Watch Network, Chris Nugent from Holland & Knight, and Liz McGrail of the CAIR Coalition. Get information about the upcoming Detention Watch Network Conference (November 10-11 at WCL) and ways to get involved in an immigration advocacy day on the Hill on November 9. Room 402. For more information, please contact Jackie at jackiebliss@gmail.com or Meg at meghobbins@hotmail.com.

Human Rights Defenders Speaker Series Presents Dr. Asha Bajpai from India on Tuesday, November 8, 12:30 pm - 1:30 pm, Rm. 402

The Human Rights Defenders Speaker Series invites Human Rights Defenders from around the world to meet with the WCL community for a discussion of their work and their personal journey into the world of human rights advocacy. Dr. Asha Bajpai's activities have focused on teaching, research, training, and law reform, especially on issues relating to women and children. She is a member of the High Court-appointed Committee on reforming curriculum of BMC schools in Mumbai, the State Monitoring Committee on Juvenile Justice and of the Sexual Harassment Committee, and she is currently in residence at American University Washington College of Law as a Fulbright Visiting Lecturer. Lunch will be provided.

1L Public Interest Roundtable Series Continues on November 17th at noon in room 524.

Called by some, "The most fascinating hour I have had at WCL," the Public Interest Roundtables provide an opportunity for first-year students to discuss the public interest aspects of the core courses with faculty members over lunch. The group is kept small to foster interactive discussion. The next Roundtable takes place on November 17th (speaker to be determined). **You must RSVP in advance to attend. Please email wclpublicinterestroundtable@yahoo.com to register for the November Roundtable.**

Reminder re Pro Bono Honors Pledge Program

WCL's volunteer pro bono program encourages students to complete 75 hours of pro bono and community service work at organizations assisting underprivileged and underrepresented populations. While at least 50 hours of the pro bono work completed must be with an organization engaged primarily in law-related or legal work, students may complete up to 25 of their 75 hours in non-legal community service work, enabling first-year law students to begin participating in the program immediately. Students who have successfully completed the program are honored at graduation and during the Peter M. Cicchino Public Service Awards Dinner held each spring.

Participating students should report Pro Bono Pledge Hours at the end of each semester by turning in the Student Time Log to the Office of Public Interest in Suite 515.

The Office of Public Interest maintains a list of over 100 suggested Pro Bono Placements in the DC Metro area. In addition, pro bono hours may be accrued through a variety of on-campus activities, including but not limited to:

- Street Law Teaching
- Genocide Teaching Project
- Marshall-Brennan

- Students United
- Election Protection
- Participating in UNCAT with Dean Grossman, and
- Clinical Program Translators.

To get a copy of the Pro Bono Honors Pledge Program student information packet, or to print time sheets, visit: <http://www.wcl.american.edu/publicinterest/probono.cfm>. Email questions to publicinterest@wcl.american.edu.

Announcements

“Human Rights Begin With Breakfast”

The Office of Public Interest is selling mugs on behalf of Action for Human Rights. Mugs are \$5.00 each. Stop by the office and pick up a mug today!

DON'T MISS OUT ON OPPORTUNITIES! JOIN THE 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.

OFFICE OF SPECIAL EVENTS & CLE

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NOVEMBER EVENTS

WCL Students are invited to attend the majority of the events at no charge but **Please register ahead of time.**

SPRING Position Announcement

**Office of Special Events & Continuing Legal Education
Is Seeking a Dean's Fellow (Spring Semester)**

Duties Include:

The Office of Special Events and Continuing Legal Education at Washington College of Law is seeking a part-time Marketing & Design Assistant to promote events at the law school. The position involves 20 hours per week promoting and marketing of all events to internal audiences and to the local, national and international legal community as well as media outlets including print, radio, internet outreach and working with WCL Media Relations Office. Duties will also include brochure design, production and distribution. Must have knowledge of Microsoft Access and Microsoft Word

Interested law students should submit a one-page cover letter and resume to Natasha Rennie by email nrennie@wcl.american.edu or by fax 202.274.4079 by Friday, **December 2, 2005.**

Events This Week

Dean's Diversity Council Speaker Series

“Wrongful Convictions” Featuring Professor Cynthia Jones, ‘89
Tuesday, November 8 | 12:30 PM | 6th Floor Student Lounge

Professor Jones will speak on wrongful convictions, with particular emphasis on the deficiencies in newly-enacted innocence protection laws, as discussed in her recent law review article entitled "*Evidence Destroyed, Innocence Lost: The Preservation of Evidence Under Innocence Protection Statutes.*"

Space is limited. RSVP: Diversity@wcl.american.edu

Upcoming Events

November 11-12 8:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Room 603
Detention Watch Network Conference

November 15 8:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Room 603
The Legal Dimensions of Climate Change: A conference by and for the Legal Profession

November 16 12:00 – 1:00 p.m. Room 601
Making Law Work – Environmental Compliance and Sustainable Development

ACADEMY ON HUMAN RIGHTS AND HUMANITARIAN LAW

2006 Human Rights Award Competition Now Open!

The Academy on Human Rights and Humanitarian Law is pleased to announce a Call for Papers for the *2006 Human Rights Award*. Candidates for the Award include those with a law degree who have demonstrated experience or interest in international human rights law. In order to participate in the Award competition, applicants must submit an unpublished legal article/paper written in English or Spanish solely by the candidate. The Academy will grant two Awards, one for the best article in English and the other for the best article in Spanish. The Award in each case will consist of:

1. A scholarship* to participate in the 2006 Summer Program of the Academy on Human Rights and Humanitarian Law (Certificate of Attendance only)
2. Travel expenses* to attend the Academy in Washington, D.C.
3. Living expenses* for the three weeks of the Academy

(*Subject to restrictions)

For the year 2006, candidates must choose a subject pertaining to “*Justiciability of Economic, Social and Cultural Rights: Legal approaches and the contributions of case law.*” The articles must be 25-35 pages in length, including footnotes, double spaced,

and using 12-point Times New Roman font. Articles may be sent via email to hrcademy@wcl.american.edu in Microsoft Word format. Articles sent via fax will not be accepted. Articles must be received by February 10, 2006 at 6:00 pm EST.

The Honor Jury deciding the Award is comprised of professionals with a recognized expertise in international human rights law. The decision of the jury will be announced via the Academy's website on March 24, 2006.

2006 Honor Jury (English)

Gudmundur Alfredsson
Ann Blyberg
Denise Dora
Asbjørn Eide
Sarah Joseph
Scott Leckie
Diego Rodríguez-Pinzón

2006 Honor Jury (Spanish)

Víctor Abramovich
Ligia Bolivar
Eduardo Cifuentes
Ernesto de la Jara
Claudio Grossman
Viviana Krsticevic
Claudia Martin

Those interested in participating in the Award should consult the rules on the website: <http://www.wcl.american.edu/humright/hrcademy/>. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Meredith Fox, Program Coordinator, at 202-274-4070 or hrcademy@wcl.american.edu.

Summer Program of the Academy on Human Rights and Humanitarian Law

The Summer Program of the Academy on Human Rights and Humanitarian Law is the only intensive, three-week program in the world to offer human rights courses in both English and Spanish. Every year the Academy hosts over 25 visiting world-renowned scholars and activists who teach courses on topics including regional human rights approaches; the United Nations; international criminal tribunal; economic, social and cultural rights; women's rights; terrorism and human rights; and international humanitarian law. 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 about the Academy, please visit our website at <http://www.wcl.american.edu/humright/hrcademy/>.

Research Cutting-Edge Legal Issues with the Inter-American HR Moot Court Competition!

The Competition is looking for students to help the hypothetical author, Ariel Dulitzky, research the Bench Memorandum. Ariel Dulitzky is a Principal Human Rights Specialist at the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights and the former Program Director for Latin America at the International Human Rights Law Group. He is looking for 3-5 interested students to help him research the legal questions involved in this year's hypothetical case. Interested students should send a cover letter and résumé to Shazia Anwar, Competition Coordinator, at iamoot@wcl.american.edu with the words BENCH MEMO VOLUNTEER in the subject line. We will forward your résumé to Mr. Dulitzky and organize a group meeting with him as soon as possible. For more information about the Competition, please visit our website at wcl.american.edu/humright/mcourt/.

CENTER FOR HUMAN RIGHTS AND HUMANITARIAN LAW

CENTER ANNOUNCEMENTS

CENTER FOR HUMAN RIGHTS SEEKS DEAN'S FELLOWS FOR SPRING 2006!!!

The most fun you will ever have as a Dean's Fellow!

The Center for Human Rights is hiring Dean's Fellows for Spring Semester 2006. We are a fast-paced office, and we always have fun! Please see below for instructions on how to apply. A 20 hour/week commitment is preferred, but not required.

Note: 1Ls are not eligible for Dean's Fellowships—but ILs should keep your eyes open later in the year for great summer opportunities at the Center!

The Center is looking for enthusiasm and individuals willing to taken on a high level of responsibility for the Center's programming. Dean's Fellows will provide support to our many events and interesting projects, and will assist with marketing Center events, managing the Center's listserve, and helping to create innovative new programming. This is a great opportunity to get involved in the Center's programs such as the Human Rights Defenders Speakers series, conferences on Social and Economic rights, Human Rights at Home and more. Attention to detail, organizational skills, familiarity with Microsoft Office programs and proven interest in human rights issues are essential. **To Apply:** send your résumé to Anca Pusca at apusca@wcl.american.edu. Please indicate that you are applying for the Center's Dean's Fellow position in the subject line of the email.

GET UPDATES ON WHAT'S GOING ON AT THE CENTER AND AROUND TOWN: JOIN THE CENTER'S LISTSERV!

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) from the Center about human rights goings-on right in your inbox. To subscribe, send an email to chrhlupdate-request@wcl.american.edu. Please leave the subject line BLANK and in the body of the message write SUBSCRIBE.

UPCOMING EVENTS

FREE COFFEE, FREE DONUTS, FREE BAGELS!!! JOIN US FOR THE ACTION FOR HUMAN RIGHTS COFFEE HOUR!

Every Wednesday Morning, 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 and is selling \$5
“Human Rights Begin with Breakfast” mugs!**

**THE HUMAN RIGHTS DEFENDERS SPEAKER SERIES
PROUDLY PRESENTS
DR. ASHA BAJPAI (INDIA)**

Tuesday, November 8, 12:30 pm – 1:30 pm, Rm. 402

Dr. Asha Bajpai's activities focus on teaching, research, training, and law reform, especially on issues relating to women and children. Her areas of research include juvenile justice, child sexual abuse and exploitation, child labor, adoption and custody, violence/crimes against women and children, sexual harassment, rights in the workplace, and child marriages. Dr. Bajpai has been involved in training of law enforcement personnel, NGOs, social workers, government officials, and corporate sector employees and management. She is a member of the High Court-appointed Committee on reforming curriculum of BMC schools in Mumbai, the State Monitoring Committee on Juvenile Justice and of the Sexual Harassment Committee, among other appointments. The Mayor of Mumbai awarded her a trophy for the 'Most Outstanding Contribution in the area of Women & Law' and she is currently in residence at American University Washington College of Law as a Fulbright Visiting Lecturer.

**US HUMAN RIGHTS NETWORK'S 1ST BI-ANNUAL MEETING
Advancing The Movement For Human Rights In U.S.
No Retreat, No Compromise!!!
November 11 – 13, 2005
Atlanta, Georgia**

Join the Center for Human Rights at the US Human Rights Network's 1st Bi-Annual Meeting in Atlanta, Georgia the weekend of November 11 – 13, 2005. The conference will be held at the Wyndham Atlanta, 160 Spring Street N.W. Although there are no stipends available for travel and accommodation, registration fees for the conference are minimal and accommodation may be arranged if you are willing to lodge on a couch. For more information about lodging, please contact Amelia Parker at humlaw@wcl.american.edu. To register for the conference, please visit www.ushrnetwork.org.

The US Human Rights Network was formed to promote US accountability to universal human rights standards by building linkages between organizations, as well as individuals, working on human rights issues in the United States. The Network strives towards building a human rights culture in the United States that puts those directly affected by human rights violations, with a special emphasis on grassroots organizations and social movements, in a central leadership role. The Network also works towards connecting the US human rights movement with the broader US social justice movement and human rights movements around the world.

EXTERNSHIP PROGRAM

Room 413 (202) 274-4200 www.wcl.american.edu/externship

SPRING EXTERNSHIPS:

Now is the time to start researching and contacting placements. Here are just a few of the employers from our database who are seeking WCL externs for spring:

- **U.S. Department of Defense: Standards of Conduct Office, General Counsel.**
The office writes legal opinions, sets Departmental policy, and advises senior Government officials regarding conflict of interest and ethics laws.
- **Nature Conservancy.** The mission of the Nature Conservancy is to preserve plants and animals, and natural communities that represent the diversity of life on Earth by protecting the lands and waters they need to survive.
- **Equal Employment Opportunity Commission.** The EEOC is an independent federal agency which enforces all federal employment discrimination laws, including Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, the Americans with Disabilities Act, the Age Discrimination in Employment Act and the Equal Pay Act.
- **Oceana.** Oceana is a non profit international advocacy organization dedicated to protecting and restoring the world's oceans through policy advocacy, science, law and public education.
- **The Hon. Michael J. Algeo, Montgomery County District Court.** The jurisdiction of the court includes all landlord-tenant cases, replevin actions, motor vehicle violations, misdemeanors and certain felonies.

Please visit the database at <http://www.wcl.american.edu/externship/externshipapp/> to view more information about these and hundreds of other placements.

SUMMER INTERNATIONAL EXTERNSHIPS

Our International Database, which includes organizations and agencies that have significant ties to WCL, is available online. We encourage you to start exploring your options early. Interested students should contact the Externship Office and complete our **International Externship questionnaire**. Please attach a current resume to your questionnaire when submitting it to the office.

International Externships Workshop for 1Ls:

The Externship Program invites you to attend an informal **Workshop on International Opportunities for 1Ls on Wednesday November 9th, 2005** from **12-12:50** in room **401**.

Information regarding how to write a curriculum vitae and how to conduct an international job search will be available from the Office of Career Services. Avis Sanders, Director, Externship Program, will provide information regarding

international employers who have expressed an interest in receiving applications from AU--WCL students. Bring your own lunch. Beverages and dessert provided.

INDIVIDUAL EXTERNSHIP COUNSELING

Avis Sanders, Director of the Externship Program, is available for one-on-one counseling. Email externship@wcl.american.edu or call (202) 274-4200 for an appointment.

INTERNATIONAL ARBITRATION PROGRAM

WCL Announces Participation in ICC International Commercial Mediation Competition, January 14-16, 2006 - Paris, France. WCL will select 3 students to participate as a team as part of a pilot project developed by the International Chamber of Commerce (ICC) International Commercial Mediation Competition. The competition is open to all full and part-time law students. No student who is licensed to practice law in any jurisdiction may participate in the competition.

The selection will be based on performance in an intra-school mediation competition as well as other demonstrated experience in negotiation and/or mediation.

The participant's writing ability will also be taken into consideration along with other oral advocacy experience in school or elsewhere, and the willingness to commit the necessary preparation time for the competition.

Interested students should submit a current resume with a cover letter describing any negotiation, mediation, moot court, debate, public speaking or other relevant experience that they have and convey their interest in participating in the competition. Students should also submit a current writing sample demonstrating persuasive analytical ability. The intra-school mediation competition – which will be given the greatest consideration in the selection of the team members – will be conducted utilizing simulated mediation scenarios selected by the Director of the International Arbitration Program, former Secretary General of the ICC Court of Arbitration, Dr. Horacio Grigera Naon and the ICC Mediation Team Coach, Adjunct Professor Dennis Sharp; the scenarios chosen for this internal selection process will be commercial disputes but may or may not be international. The hypothetical disputes used in the actual competition at the ICC in Paris will all be of an international commercial nature.

Please note that preparation for the intra-school competition will not involve extensive preparation. However, preparation for the actual competition will require a significant commitment.

The mediation competition dates will be December 3 and December 17. Mediation role play scenarios will be distributed to the selected participants before Thanksgiving.

Participation in the competition does not preclude participation in the American Bar Association's Section of Dispute Resolution Mediation Competition scheduled in 2006 (Regionals in February, Finals in April).

The international Competition will take place at ICC headquarters in Paris from January 14-16, 2006; the official language of the competition is English. Travel and accommodation expenses have been budgeted for selected participants. If you are interested in competing, please, send your resume, cover letter and writing sample to arbitration@wcl.american.edu by 5 p.m. on November 17, 2005.

For more information: International Arbitration Program American University
Washington College of Law 4801 Massachusetts Avenue, NW Washington, DC 20016
Telephone (202) 274-4321 Facsimile (202) 274-4226 E-mail:
arbitration@wcl.american.edu Website: www.wcl.american.edu/arbitration

Anne Marie Whitesell, Secretary General of the ICC International Court of Arbitration (Paris), Announces WCL Externship- Anne Marie Whitesell, Secretary General of the ICC International Court of Arbitration (Paris), announced that a space would be reserved at the ICC each year for a qualified WCL student extern. Dr. Horacio Grigera Naón and the Externship Program will select well-qualified students with some background in arbitration, gained either academically or through work experience. The position will be open to JD and LLM students at WCL and will begin Summer 2006. Dr. Grigera Naón will be doing pre-selection review of students on November 19 during his meetings with the ICC. If you have not already indicated your interest in the ICC externship placement, please do so by November 10 by sending an e-mail to arbitration@wcl.american.edu.

PROGRAM ON LAW AND GOVERNMENT

Justice at Guantanamo: The Military Commissions Begin

Wednesday, November 9, 2005, from 12-3:00 p.m. Room 603

Co-Chairs: WCL Professor **Daniel Marcus**, currently a Fellow in Law and Government and formerly the general counsel of the 9/11 Commission, and **Eugene R. Fidell**, head of the Military Practice Group at the Washington law firm of Feldesman, Tucker, Leifer, Fidell LLP, is President of the National Institute of Military Justice.

Keynote Speaker (12-1:00 p.m., lunch will be provided) Neal K. Katyal is a Professor of Law at the Georgetown University Law Center and counsel for detainee Salim Hamdan in *Hamdan v. Rumsfeld*, the lead case challenging the legality of military tribunals for the GTMO detainees. In the Clinton Administration, Professor Katyal was National Security Adviser to the Deputy Attorney General.

Panel Discussion (1-3:00 p.m.) The panel will consist of a moderator and five panelists. Benjamin Wittes, author of *Starr: A Reassessment*, editorial writer for the *Washington Post* on legal affairs, and a regular contributor to the *Atlantic Monthly*, will moderate the panel. Panelists include:

Louis Fisher, Senior Specialist in Separation of Powers with the Congressional Research Service and author of a number of books, including *Military Tribunals and Presidential Power: American Revolution to the War on Terrorism*;

Gregory Noone, a member of the Public International Law and Policy Group and Professor at West Virginia University. Professor Noone previously was acting Head of the International Law Branch and the Foreign Military Rights Affairs Branch in the Navy JAG International and Operational Law Division;

Peter Raven-Hansen, the Glen Earl Weston Research Professor of Law at George Washington University Law School and the co-author of the leading casebook on National Security Law. Professor Raven-Hansen is chairman of the National Security Law Section of the American Association of Law Schools;

Colonel Dwight H. Sullivan, USMCR, is the Chief Defense Counsel for the Defense Department's Office of Military Commissions. He is a former managing attorney for the ACLU's Baltimore office.

Colonel Lawrence J. Morris, Chief, U.S. Army Trial Defense Service. He has previously served as Chair of the Criminal Law Department at the Judge Advocate General's School and Chief of Criminal Law at the Office of the Judge Advocate General, where he led the inter-service team to develop rules and strategies for trying suspected terrorists by military commissions.

This event is co-sponsored by WCL Law & Government Program and National Institute of Military Justice.

PENCE LAW LIBRARY

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

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| Monday – Thursday | 8:00 am – 12:00 am* |
| Friday | 8:00 am – 10:00 pm* |
| Saturday | 9:00 am – 10:00 pm* |
| Sunday | 9:00 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 and there are no library services during extended hours. Registered WCL students with IDs may also use the library beginning at 6:00 am, but must first register with the Facilities Office in Room 383, 202-274-4008.

Access Pence Law Library Electronic Resources from Home Do your research from anywhere by linking to the library webpage at library.wcl.american.edu The WCL community can log into subscription databases such as LegalTrac, LexisNexis Congressional and HeinOnline on the library website by linking to one of the database listings under Research Tools. Enter the same user ID and password that you use to access the law school network and my.american.edu.

There are only 5 weeks until Reading Period! Want to limber up with a few practice exams before your finals? Find past exams given by your professor or given for the same class by another professor at <http://library.wcl.american.edu/exams> . If the exam you want requires a password, ask for it from your professor.

Do you need material not available at the Pence Law Library? Interlibrary loan is the answer! To borrow materials from other libraries, you must first register at <https://wcl.american.hosts.atlas-sys.com/ILLiad/Logon.html> ILLiad is an electronic system that facilitates interlibrary loan and works in tandem with WorldCat, which is a huge database containing most items published and cataloged in the U.S. and around the world. For more information about ILL and WorldCat go to <http://library.wcl.american.edu/ill.php> or contact our Interlibrary loan office at ill@wcl.american.edu .

Do you know the library staff? Toni Glover is the Assistant to the Associate Dean of Library and Information Resources. Toni has been at American University for over 27 years, on the main campus and at WCL, where she worked in the Admissions Office, the Development Office, and since 2001, the Library. Toni is a Notary Public, with office hours from 9:30 to 5:30 Monday through Friday. She does not charge WCL law students

for notary services, provided that the documents are either school or bar related. Toni is a passionate Redskins fan. Stop by and say hello to Toni in Room 107 in the library.

WAR CRIMES RESEARCH OFFICE (WCRO)

The WCRO serves as a source of expertise in humanitarian and international criminal law for international courts and tribunals. For example, in the past year the Office undertook cutting-edge international law research projects for the Special Court for Sierra Leone, the Special Panels for Serious Crimes in East Timor and the International Criminal Court.

Getting Involved:

Dean's Fellows: See the "In Search of..." section of this *Docket* for information on how to apply to be a WCRO Dean's Fellow.

Volunteers: We encourage all interested WCL students to volunteer with the WCRO, whether by monitoring court and tribunal developments, drafting summaries of the jurisprudence of the International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda, or helping out on discrete research projects. We're also looking for students who have legal experience in countries other than the United States to participate on our **International Student Resource Panel**. The time-commitment is highly flexible. Panel members are contacted when the WCRO has a research project that has a comparative law element, and are free to donate as much or as little time as they would like. If interested, please send your contact information and country (or countries) of expertise to warcimes@wcl.american.edu to be added to the resource list. E-mail the Office or call 202-274-4067 with any questions about volunteering.

STUDENT BAR ASSOCIATION

SBA Senate Meeting

The next meeting of the SBA Senate will be Tuesday, November 8, at 10:10pm in Room 101. Any student or student group that wishes to be put on the agenda should contact Senate President Pro Tempore, Lucy Wiggins at lucy.wiggins@american.edu. Senate meetings are open to the public, and all students are encouraged to attend.

Any student group wanting to make a funding request must also attend **the Finance Committee meeting at 9 pm on the same day in the SBA Lounge**. All funding related questions should be made to the Finance Committee Chair, Lydia Edwards, at sbafinance@wcl.american.edu.

Alternative Dispute Resolution Society

Please see important announcement above under "International Arbitration Program."

BLSA

BLSA presents a **Tribute to Rosa Parks and the Honorable Constance Baker Motley: The Progression of the Civil Rights Movement**. Come salute the magnificent work of these two exceptional women. Guest speakers from the NAACP, Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights Under Law, a Civil Rights Consultant, and a WCL professor. A reception will follow. Come join us on **Thursday, Nov. 10th, 6:00pm - 7:30pm. Room TBA**.

BLSA presents **Choosing the Right Career Path**. A guide to the various career opportunities available and an opportunity to network with professionals. Come learn which legal path is best suited for you and the best ways to achieve success in the legal world. Speakers include a federal judge, firm associate, general counsel, and government agency. Join on us **NOVEMBER 16, 2005 from 6:00 - 7:30PM in the Equal Justice Foundation Library (1st floor)**. RECEPTION TO FOLLOW

The Black Law Students Association will be having a general body meeting on Thursday 10th November from **12pm-1pm in Room 524**. For those who are unable to attend the first meeting we will be covering the same agenda from **5pm-6pm in Room 503**.

Business Law Society

The Future of Non-Profits and the Law in the 21st Century: Governance in a Post-Enron, Post-Ladner World. With American University in the spotlight, please join the Business Law Society as we discuss corporate governance, fiduciary responsibility, transparency, and trustee liability. Guest speakers include Professor Perry Wallace, Jr., Dean Andrew Pike, Professor Robert Vaughn, and Professor Jamin Raskin. **Tuesday November 8, 2-4pm at the EJM Library (1st Floor)**. Coffee and cookies will be served * Limited Seating.

Christian Legal Society

Volunteer With CLS at Central Union Mission's Legal Aid Clinic! The Central Union Mission has invited CLS at WCL to serve in their **Christian Legal Aid Clinic on the second Tuesday of each month, from 6pm-8pm (or so)**. This is their intake - so we will meet with clients and provide legal referrals. This opportunity is open to all (especially 1Ls)!! Please e-mail tritiayuen@gmail.com (by Saturday at 9pm) if you would like to come and observe the clinic next Tues, Nov. 8.

Christian Legal Society Weekly Meeting - Tuesday, Nov. 8, 12noon - 12:50pm, room 627

As we begin volunteering at Central Union Mission, come and hear some vision about why Christians should be involved with legal aid. Brent McBurney, Deputy Director of CLS Legal Aid Ministries, will share this vision and about CLS National's other legal aid activities around the country. Please join us!! A good lunch will be served!

Energy Law Society

Energy Law Society: Brown Bag Information Session (12-12:30pm Rm 601) Any interest in Energy Law? Please join us on 11/10 in Rm 601 at 12pm for a goals and informational meeting about the newly created Energy Law Society. We were SBA

approved this October and have no Fall budget, so lunch will not be provided. We have a great Spring calendar planned but want to hear more input and ideas!

Federalist Society

Monday November 7-Panel Discussion on Supreme Court Nominee Samuel Alito

Panelists: Manuel Miranda, former special counsel to Senate Majority Leader Bill Frist and currently with the Third Branch Conference; Professor Stephen Wermiel; and Professor Jamin Raskin **Room 401, 12-1pm.** Lunch Provided

Tuesday November 8-Trip to the Supreme Court to Watch Oral Arguments

Martin v. Franklin Capital Corp. Question Presented to the Court: What legal standard governs the decision whether to award fees and expenses under 28 U.S.C. sec. 1447(c) upon remanding a removed case to state court? **Meet At Supreme Court Steps at 7am.** Oral Argument Starts at 10am. Donuts and Hot Coffee Provided. Dress Warm!

Wednesday November 9-Should Physician Assisted Suicide be Legal? Come hear a discussion on a case pending before the Supreme Court on whether an Oregon law that allows for doctors to write prescriptions that would aid in suicide is constitutional.

Room: 504 Time 12-1pm. Lunch Provided.

Thursday November 10-The "Torture Memos" and Enemy Combatants Professor John Yoo, UC Berkeley and former deputy assistant Attorney General in the Office of Legal Counsel at the Justice Department will speak on War and Treaty powers with commentary from Professor Daniel Marcus, former General Counsel for the 9-11 Commission. **Room 402 Time 12-1 pm.** Lunch Provided.

The Federalist Society for Law and Public Policy Studies is a group of conservatives and libertarians interested in the current state of the legal order. It is founded on the principles that the state exists to preserve freedom, that the separation of governmental powers is central to our Constitution, and that it is emphatically the province and duty of the judiciary to say what the law is, not what it should be. The Society seeks both to promote an awareness of these principles and to further their application through its activities. This entails reordering priorities within the legal system to place a premium on individual liberty, traditional values, and the rule of law. It also requires restoring the recognition of the importance of these norms among lawyers, judges, and law professors.

Hispanic Law Student Association

Come one, come all! The Hispanic Law Student Association invites you to a brown bag **meeting on Wednesday, November 9, 2005 at Noon. Room TBA.** We will announce the date and location of our end of the semester dinner with alumni and provide a report on the extremely successful NLLSA Conference. We hope to see you there. In preparation for the end of the semester, we wish you Feliz Finals!

Israel & Law Society

November marks the 10th anniversary of Prime Minister Yitzchak Rabin's assassination. As the first installment in the Israel & Law Society's "**Month Marking Peace,**" come

spend an evening on **Monday, November 14 at 6pm** with an Israeli Navy Commando and Jerusalem District Attorney Joey Asch. Mr. Asch will discuss human rights law in Israel, drawing upon his experience in Jenin, as well as his capacity as a prosecutor in an open society. **Butler Board Room, 6th Floor of Mary Graydon Center.** Co-hosted by the Jewish Law Students Association.

Moot Court Honor Society

ATTENTION TEAM MEMBERS!!! MANDATORY training on November 5th from 10 am - 12 noon Room 601.

DEADLINE FOR COMPETITION ASSISTANT APPLICATIONS EXTENDED!!!

The Moot Court Honor Society is looking for interested volunteers to help with the planning and coordination of our upcoming competitions. This is a great way to get involved with Moot Court and gain insight into the wonderful world of law school competitions! Please send your name, email, and phone number to moot@wcl.american.edu below by November 11th. Interviews will be conducted before Thanksgiving.

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| Competitions | Competition Dates | Contact |
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| Alvina Reckman-Myers First Year Tournament | Jan. 21-22 (3 Assistants) | moot@wcl.american.edu |
| Burton D. Wechsler First Amendment Competition | Feb. 2-4 (2 Assistants) | akbarsiddiqui@gmail.com |
| Spring Qualifying Tournament (1 Assistant) | Feb. 18-19 | springqt@gmail.com |
| National High School Moot Court Competition | April 1-2 (2 Assistants) | moot@wcl.american.edu |

National Lawyers Guild

Demanding and Providing: Access to Basic Needs in South Africa. Tuesday, Nov. 15th, 12-1:20pm, Room 602 at WCL. South Africa is a country with great economic disparity, still largely divided between Blacks and whites. Out of this income inequality has grown community organizing groups such as the Soweto Electricity Crisis Committee, stealing electricity from the power companies' lines when they cannot afford it. Matthew Kavanagh, National Coordinator for Global Justice, spent the summer working with community organizers in Soweto, South Africa. Irwin Robson, Humphrey Fellow at Washington College of Law, is the Manager of Legal Services for the City of

Cape Town, South Africa. The panelists will speak to both sides of the issue: the city providing access to basic needs and the community demanding access to basic needs in South Africa. Lunch will be served. This event is sponsored by the National Lawyers Guild.

Phi Alpha Delta

Phi Alpha Delta and Barbri are bringing back **Joe Glannon, author of Civil Procedure: Examples and Explanations**, to WCL on **Thursday, November 10, 2005 from 12-1 PM in Room 602**. He will review exams from his past students and illustrate the difference between a "C" and "A" answer.

Phi Delta Phi

School-wide Canned Immunity! Phi Delta Phi Legal Fraternity is pairing up with the Capital Area Food Bank to host a "Canned Immunity" at the Washington College of Law! Canned immunity is a food drive where students are asked to bring canned goods into their classes in exchange for not being "on call" for the day. This year we are putting a spin on the event - students will bring in canned goods and when called on may decline by putting up a can of food. The Professor may then respond by putting up his own can of food and telling the student he or she will still be on call! Although Phi Delta Phi would love for all the professors to participate (please ask your professors for their support!), we understand this may not be the case. To assure everyone who would like to can participate, we will have a table in the lobby, collecting both monetary and food donations for the Capital Area Food Bank and selling orange "table hunger" bracelets during the event.

Information on participating professors and what foods the food bank needs, etc. is available on our website at www.wcl.american.edu/org/pdp. Also, for Professor Baca's students, your class will be participating on Monday, November 7...so get ready! For more information on the canned immunity, please contact Katie Smith, Magister and Rishi Bagga, Parliamentarian at PDP@wcl.american.edu.

Women's Law Association

HIV/AIDS Law: The Legal Aspects of HIV/AIDS Today Monday, November 7th 12-1pm Room 503 Lunch will be served. Are you interested in learning more about HIV/AIDS law and policy today? Come listen to our panel speak about their experiences in the field, particularly in light of the recent changes in HIV/AIDS demographics. The panel will be moderated by Adjunct Professor Corrine Parver, Director of the Health Law Program. Speakers will include: Todd Pilcher (HIV Immigration Attorney for the Whitman-Walker Clinic) and Diane Griffin (Women of Color Policy Associate for the National Minority AIDS Council). Co-hosted by the Women's Law Association and the HEALTH Law and Justice PROJECT

IN SEARCH OF...

Spring '06 Semester Dean's Fellow: Health Law Project, LLM Program on Law and Government, seeks 2L for research on women's health issues. Contact Prof. Corrine Parver at cparver@wcl.american.edu if interested. Please attach resume.

The Domestic Violence Clinic needs one dean's fellow for ten hours per week for the spring semester to participate in clinic simulations and to conduct other research work in domestic violence. Please email a resume and cover letter (Attention to Prof. Margaret Johnson) to Janice Iwama at jiwama@wcl.american.edu, or drop off hard copies with Janice in suite 417.

Prof. Richard Ugelow seeks a Dean's Fellow for the Spring Semester to work approximately 10 hours per week. The Dean's Fellow's major responsibility will be to research compliance with Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 by state and local government police and fire departments. Title VII prohibits discrimination in employment on the basis of race, sex, religion and national origin. Students with an interest in civil rights issues, especially employment discrimination, are encouraged to apply for this position. Interested students should be self-starters and possess excellent writing and research skills. Please deliver your resume and a writing sample to Lysandra Rauch in room 417, by November 23. For further information about this position, contact Professor Ugelow at 202-274-4308, rugelow@wcl.american.edu, or stop by room 311.

The War Crimes Research Office (WCRO) is seeking Dean's Fellows for Spring 2006. JD (2L and 3L) and LL.M students are eligible to apply. Fellows serve as the Office's part-time staff, initiating the researching and drafting of legal memoranda prepared exclusively for international criminal courts and tribunals on legal issues of critical importance to these institutions. Interested students with a background in international law, particularly international criminal, humanitarian, and/or human rights law — especially those with prior volunteer experience at the WCRO — are encouraged to submit an application. The position requires a 20-hour per week time commitment. Please submit a resume, cover letter, short writing sample and transcript (unofficial is fine) to Susana SáCouto, Director, War Crimes Research Office, by e-mail at warcimes@wcl.american.edu. The deadline for applications is **Monday, November 14 at 5pm**. If you have questions about the position or the work of the WCRO, please feel free to stop by the WCRO at 4910 Massachusetts Ave, NW, Ste. 16 (just one block from WCL), call us at 202-274-4067, or e-mail warcimes@wcl.american.edu.

The Women and International Law Program needs a Dean's Fellow for Spring semester to help promote WCL's LL.M. Specialization in Gender and the Law around the world and to assist in organizing international projects in India and Latin America, events at WCL, and other programming. Students with a background in international and/or gender issues are especially encouraged to apply. We are seeking someone willing to make a 20 hour/week commitment, but fewer hours may be possible. Please have attention to detail, organizational skills, excellent English skills and familiarity with Microsoft Office programs. To apply, please send a cover letter, résumé and short English-language writing sample (**no more than 10 pages**) to April Fehling at afehling@wcl.american.edu. A writing sample that represents your non-legal writing skills will be particularly helpful—an article, promotional writing, a report, etc. Please put "Dean's Fellow Application" in the subject line.

Internship opportunity at the Robert F. Kennedy Center for Human Rights-

Researching the need for human rights measures/indicators in failed/dysfunctional states: All state parties to the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights are obligated to measurably improve those rights guaranteed by the Covenant, and must prove this improvement by statistical data. Unfortunately, in failed/dysfunctional states such as Chad or Liberia, there is little to no data available. As such, there is no way to discern whether these states are meeting their obligations under the Covenant.

Furthermore, the governments of failed/dysfunctional states have little incentive to try to collect such data, as they are almost certainly not meeting their obligations. A look at the UNDP Development Index makes clear the sheer lack of data, for states such as Chad and Liberia, as almost all the categories that pertain to health, education and other human rights are non-existent.

A number of prominent human rights institutions around the world (such as the Danish Institute for Human Rights) and the UN Agencies (UNDP and OHCHR) have identified human rights measures/indicators, however they are presently not being applied in the failed/dysfunctional states. Therefore, there is a grave need for the World Bank, the UNDP or another comparable international institution to collect information so that the increase or decrease in the respect of human rights can be measured. Once this is determined, further action under the Covenant can be taken to ensure that all states parties starts to meet their obligations.

The Robert F. Kennedy Center for Human Rights is looking for a graduate student in international development or international law to develop a research paper and advocacy strategy on this issue. This will be an unpaid internship. If interested, please contact: Sarah

Pray, Program Officer (phone: 202 463 7575x 269; email: pray@rfkmemorial.org) and Sushetha Gopallawa, Senior Program Officer (phone: 202 463 7575x270; email: gopallawa@rfkmemorial.org).

ADDITIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

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.

International Human Rights Law Clinic invites you to attend **Training on Working with Survivors of Torture and Trauma** **Thurs. Nov. 17th, 12 noon to 1:30 pm Room 602**, Interested in working with refugees and asylum seekers? With battered women or other victims of violence? Looking for hands-on, concrete skills for working with survivors of torture or trauma? Then this training is not to be missed... Mental health experts will provide students with concrete tools for working with torture and trauma survivors and dealing with secondary or vicarious trauma issues. Lunch will be provided. ALL students are welcome to attend. Speakers: Dr. Judy Okawa, Ph.D., Founder, The Center for Traumatic Stress Studies, PLLC, Washington, D.C. and Dr.

Karen Hanscom, Ph.D., Executive Director, Advocates for Survivors of Torture and Trauma, Baltimore, MD

OFFICE OF CAREER SERVICES

Hours:

Monday, Thursday and Friday: 9:00 am to 5:00 pm

Tuesday, Wednesday: 9:00 am to 8:00 pm

1st Saturday of the month: 10:00 am to 1:00 pm

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

The Office of Career Services Presents:

**Career Day for 1Ls
Saturday, November 5, 2005
Hyatt Regency Bethesda
Bethesda, Maryland**

At Career Day 1Ls will meet the Office of Career Services staff and learn how to utilize OCS resources and services. You will have an opportunity to discuss various legal experiences available during law school with current 2Ls & 3L/4Ls and interact with alumni and practitioners from a number of practice areas.

******Check-in for first year students will begin at 8:30am******

Reminders for 1L students accessing eCampusRecruiter:

If you are a 1L student unable to attend the OCS training sessions this week for eCampusRecruiter, the software system housing career related events and student job opportunities, the steps for accessing the system are as follows:

1. Visit www.ecampusrecruiter.com/auwcl. Once at the login screen, enter your full American e-mail account as the username and "auwcl" for the password to access the system. **DO NOT REGISTER AS A NEW USER**. Since all 1L students have been pre-registered in the system using their American e-mail accounts, any additional registrations will be deleted.

2. Fully complete the student profile (including areas of interests and any applicable listservs) and click the "update profile" button at the bottom of the page.

3. For further instructions about using the system, click the "resumes & documents" tab at the top of the student homepage and then click "document library." The document entitled Introduction to eCampusRecruiter under the General Information section provides additional instructions about the system and its features.

Please contact careerservices@wcl.american.edu for any problems using the system. Please note that you may not receive a response to your inquiry until Tuesday, November 8th.

Interested in a Career in International Law? Need an instant network for uncovering such jobs? Then don't miss the OCS/ABA's Section of International Law's program *Pathways to Employment in International Law*. The panel will offer unique guidance and insights into obtaining employment in the federal government, non-profit and private sectors in the international arena. **Time & Location: November 9, Wednesday, 4:00-5:30 PM in the 6th Floor Student Lounge at WCL.** Register at www.abanet.org (reference "Pathways 2005AU/WCL Program").

PUBLIC INTEREST & GOVERNMENT

The Greater Washington, DC/ Baltimore Public Service Career Fair will be held on January 27, 2006 at George Mason School of Law. First, second, third and fourth year students are all welcome to attend this event to interview and network for public interest and government jobs. An informational workshop about the career fair and how to register will take place on **Tuesday, November 8, 2005 at Noon in Room 500.** *Please register for the event on eCampusRecruiter if you wish to attend, as space is limited.*

Public interest summer opportunities are now available! Please check eCampusRecruiter for positions and for more information on the positions listed below:

- Legal Services of New Jersey (LSNJ) invites applications from first and second year law students for its Public Interest Legal Intern Fellowship Program during the summer 2006. The application can be picked up in OCS.
- The Virginia Farmworkers Legal Assistance Project (VFLAP) is seeking a law student to serve as a law clerk in its Charlottesville office for the Summer of 2006.
- The NAACP Legal Defense and Educational Fund, Inc. (LDF) is seeking applicants for summer 2006 legal internships. These positions are available in LDF's New York and Washington D.C. offices.

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

JUDICIAL CLERKSHIPS

ATTENTION 3Ls/4Ls:

Opportunities are still available for the 2006 term!

Current postings include opportunities with the Court of Common Pleas (Delaware), Superior Court of the District of Columbia, U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit, Court of Special Appeals of Maryland, Montgomery County Circuit Court, Supreme Court of Ohio, Illinois Appellate Court, U.S. Court of Appeals for Veterans Claims, and many more.

* Look up other judge and court-specific hiring information on **eCampusRecruiter** under "Judicial Clerkship." Contact Shelley Rudge, Judicial Clerkship Coordinator, at serudge@wcl.american.edu to schedule an individual appointment to find out what you need to know to apply.

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 Listserv:

- (1) From your eCampus home page, select "myProfile" at the top of the page.
- (2) Select "Edit".
- (3) Make sure your "Primary Email Address" is one that you check regularly (this is the address used for e-mails).
- (4) Double-check that your "Graduation Date" is correct.
- (5) Under "Listservs," select "Judicial."

JOB FAIRS & NETWORKING OPPORTUNITIES

American Federation of Labor and Congress of Industrial Organizations (AFL-CIO) Lawyers Coordination Committee is sponsoring a Minority Outreach Program for students interested in labor law. The program is designed to introduce students to the practice of labor law and to the labor community by providing summer clerkship opportunities with participation firms and union legal departments. These positions can be found on **eCampusRecruiter in the Summer/Full Time section**. For more information please contact Ana Avendano at aavendan@afICIO.org.

Asian Pacific American Bar Association Educational Fund (AEF) Networking Reception will provide students with the opportunity to meet practicing attorneys in order to learn more about various areas of law on **Thursday, November 17th from 6:30-9:00 pm at the D.C. offices of Finnegan Henderson**. During the Reception, students will be able to meet attorneys from law firms, public interest organizations, and government agencies.

For more information and to RSVP, please visit www.aef-apaba.org.

Lantham & Watkins Diversity Scholarship: Latham & Watkins is pleased to announce the Latham Diversity Scholars Program which will award a \$10,000 non-renewable

scholarship to each of four second year law students for use during their third year of law school (2006-07). Scholars will be asked to submit an application form, personal statement, resume and official or unofficial law school transcript by **December 1, 2005**. The inaugural Latham Diversity Scholars will be announced in spring 2006.

Application forms can also be found at: <http://www.lw.com/recruiting/diversity.asp>.

GENERAL REMINDERS FOR ALL STUDENTS

Student eCampusRecruiter Profiles

All students wishing to receive critical updates highlighting upcoming OCS programs, employment opportunities and other career development issues should be registered on **eCampusRecruiter**. To obtain a username and password go to www.ecampusrecruiter.com/auwcl.

An explanation on how to use **eCampusRecruiter** is available on the OCS website (www.wcl.american.edu/ocs).

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 Counseling Services:

OCS has six career counselors to assist you with the career planning process. Counseling services include:

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

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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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 November 7

Monday, November 7

12-1pm, Rm 503, HIV / AIDS Law: The Legal Aspects of HIV / AIDS Today

12-1pm, Rm 401, Panel Discussion on Supreme Court Nominee Samuel Alito

Tuesday, November 8

7am, Meet At Supreme Court Steps, A Trip to the Sup Court- Oral Arguments Martin v. Franklin Capital Corp.

12-12:50pm, Rm 627, Christian Legal Society Weekly Meeting

12pm, Rm 500, Preparing for the Greater Washington, DC/Baltimore Public Service Career Fair Workshop

12:30-2pm, Student Lounge, Dean's Diversity Council Spkr Series Featuring Professor Cynthia Jones

12:30-1:30 pm, Rm. 402, Human Rights Defenders Speaker Series Presents Dr. Asha Bajpai

2-4pm, the EJF Library (1st Floor), The Future of Non-Profits and the Law in the 21st Century: Governance in a Post-Enron, Post-Ladner World

10:10pm, Rm 101, SBA Senate Meeting

9 pm, the SBA Lounge, SBA Finance Committee meeting

Wednesday, November 9

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

12-1pm, Rm 504, Should Physician Assisted Suicide be Legal?

12-3pm, Rm 603, Justice at Guantanamo: The Military Commissions Begin

12-12:50, Rm 401, an informal Workshop on International Opportunities for 1Ls

4-5:30pm, Student Lounge, Pathways to Employment in International Law

Thursday, November 10

12-1 pm, Rm 402, The "Torture Memos" and Enemy Combatants

12-12:30pm, Rm 601, Energy Law Society: Brown Bag Information Session

12-1pm, Rm 524, also repeated 5-6pm, Rm 503, The Black Law Students Association meeting

12-1 pm, Rm 602, Joe Glannon, author of Civil Procedure: Examples and Explanations..

12 pm, Rm TBA, Hispanic Law Student Association meeting

6-7:30pm, Rm TBA, a Tribute to Rosa Parks and the Honorable Constance Baker Motley: The Progression of the Civil Rights Movement

Friday, Saturday November 11-12

8:30 am–5pm, Rm 603, Detention Watch Network Conference

Rm 524, Clinical Education Discussion