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OFFICE OF THE REGISTRAR

E-mail: registrar@wcl.american.edu

ADD/DROP PERIOD EXTENDED THROUGH MONDAY, AUGUST 28TH

The add/drop period has been extended through Monday, August 28th. For classes that still have wait lists, we will notify students for whom a space becomes available on Monday so that they may have that day to register. We ask that those **who are on wait lists, but no longer wish to enroll in those particular classes, let us know by emailing registrar@wcl.american.edu**. We will then remove their names from the lists so that more spaces can be made available to other students who still need to add classes.

Students must register for externships or independent studies in the law school Registrar's Office, Suite 304. Signed contracts are required to do so. The deadline for registering for independent studies and externships is September 5th.

CLASSROOM ASSIGNMENTS are posted on the bulletin board outside the office of the Registrar, on the WCL web site and are listed on course schedules. As there may be some changes in classroom assignments, it is important that students check this information.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 4TH IS LABOR DAY IT IS A UNIVERSITY HOLIDAY AND CLASSES WILL NOT MEET.

REGISTRAR'S OFFICE HOURS

Monday 9:00 a.m. – 6:30 p.m.
Tuesday - 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.

ATTENTION PROSPECTIVE DECEMBER GRADUATES: If you plan to graduate in December 2006, please complete an Application to Graduate as soon as possible. Applications are available in the Registrar's Office, Suite 304, or on-line at www.wcl.american.edu, under Office of the Registrar.

ANONYMOUS GRADING NUMBERS: All students must use anonymous grading numbers, and not names, on all school examinations. For those students in Legal Rhetoric who require grading numbers for earlier examinations, these will be available after the first week of classes on my.american.edu under Person Links at the bottom (WCL Anonymous Grading Number).

OFFICE OF THE DEAN

WCL's Office of the Dean has recently created the Impact Litigation Project. The Project receives grant funding to promote the rule of law and democracy within the region through international litigation of pivotal cases selected by experts for maximum ability to shape and change policy and legislation within the region, and to advance debate and changes to human rights standards. As "impact litigation" is a particularly effective tool to promote positive change, cases are selected precisely for their importance to and maximum impact on strengthening democracy in Latin America. The activities proposed for the Project include litigating two paradigmatic, high impact cases on freedom of expression; identifying and creating a formal network of universities committed to promoting human rights; developing litigation strategies for widespread distribution and use by human rights advocates; and generating and advancing the discourse concerning human rights, their vital significance to democratic societies, and ways in which to protect and promote them in the hemisphere.

Dean's Fellows: The Impact Litigation Project is looking for Dean's fellows for the fall and spring semesters. See the "In Search of..." section of this *Docket* for information on how to apply.

Jennifer de Laurentiis, Special Assistant to the Dean, is seeking a Dean's Fellow for the fall semester. The position involves approximately 10 hours per week of legal research and writing, as well as administrative tasks. Knowledge or better of Spanish is helpful, but not required. Interested upper level students should submit a one page cover

letter and resume via e-mail to jdelautentiis@wcl.american.edu by Thursday, August 31st.

OFFICE OF STUDENT SERVICES

Academic Support Center and Disability Support Services Office Hours at WCL
Students who wish to meet at WCL with Kathy Schwartz of Academic Support Center or Joanne Benica of Disability Support Services will be able to do so on Wednesdays from Aug 30-Sep 27. Please contact fpolo@wcl.american.edu for the specific available times.

Lunch with the Dean!

The Fall series of lunch meetings with Dean Claudio Grossman begins on **Wednesday, Sept 6, at 12:30 p.m.** Learn about plans for the semester, speak your mind about issues that affect you, and enjoy a free lunch courtesy of the Office of the Dean.

The lunch is limited to 14 students on a first-reply, first-invited basis. Requests to be included are addressed to fpolo@wcl.american.edu and must contain your name, telephone number, and e-mail address. Your space will be confirmed by return e-mail.

OFFICE OF DIVERSITY SERVICES

Sherry A. Weaver, Director – (202) 274-4032 – Suite 300 – sweaver@wcl.american.edu
Hours: 10:00 am-6:00pm

Black Alumni Association Book Award

Again this year, the Black Alumni Association will present the Renee Hamilton-Gwaltney Book Fund awards during their annual reception on Saturday, September 23. Two, \$250 stipends will be given to two students based on need and community service, including undergrad. The book award application and the reception invitation are available in DS. Applications should be returned to Ms. Weaver no later than 5:00 PM on Wednesday, September 20th.

Save the Date: Dean's Diversity Council Speaker and Reception, Thursday, October 26, 4:00 PM—Fall speaker, Linda Estrada, Hispanic Bar Association of DC

Stuff on the Table [Outside the door to my office, room 300, there's a table where we place announcements of all sorts, as well as a candy basket. Please feel free to come by and partake of either or both. saw }

- AEF Mock Interview Program—Saturday, September 9
- Dickstein Shapiro Diversity Scholarship (2 and 3Ls)—Deadline September 15
- 10th Annual Student Bar Association Golf Classic Reunion edition

OFFICE OF FACULTY AND ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

On Tuesday, August 15, 2006, the Course Packet Distribution Center will open for the Fall 2006 semester. The Course Packet Distribution Center is now located in Room 465, and is where supplemental course packets will be made available for purchase.

Operating Hours:

Days: Monday through Friday Hours: 9:00 am - 6:00 pm
(closed weekends - except special Saturday hours posted below)

Special Hours:

August 21 - 25 and August 28 - 31 9:00 AM - 7:30 PM
Friday, September 1 9:00 AM - 3:30 PM
Saturday, August 19 and August 26 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM

Purchasing Course Packets:

It is recommended that students purchase materials only for the classes in which they are enrolled. Please do not purchase materials for classes BEFORE enrollment.

Checks, money orders, traveler's checks, Visa, and MasterCard are the only accepted forms of payment. Cash, Discover, and American Express are NOT accepted.

Materials are not sold by telephone, facsimile, U.S. Mail, Federal Express, or courier service.

Refunds:

Course packets are non-refundable. An exception can be made if a class is dropped and course packets are returned:

- within three weeks of the original date of purchase;
- with the original receipt, and;
- with a copy of the old and new class schedules.

OFFICE OF FINANCIAL AID

SPECIAL NOTICE

MYERS LAW SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS are available in the office Monday, August 28th. The Myers scholarship covers 125% of tuition and is available to needy JD students who show promise. A Need Access application must be on file in order for your application to be reviewed. Deadline: 5:00 pm, September 6, 2006.

Grad PLUS Update

The federal Grad PLUS program which became effective July 1 is fully operational and despite many start-up issues for lenders, guarantee agencies and schools, processing has moved forward and funds disbursed with fewer delays than anticipated. We continue to certify applications as quickly as possible. At this point loan proceeds for applications filed through August 11 have been disbursed or will be shortly. For clarification you may use Grad PLUS funds to cover costs beyond those covered by the standard \$18,500

in Stafford loans and any other aid received up to the established cost of attendance. Grad PLUS is an alternative to private (commercial) loans.

DISBURSEMENTS

Academic year awards are disbursed according to federal regulation in equal installments, half each semester. Disbursement is continuous throughout the semester as payment requirements are satisfied. The following conditions must be met for aid to be released:

- < Award is accepted (awards are accepted at **my.american.edu**).
- < Master Promissory Note (MPN) is complete.
- < Entrance Counseling/Right and Responsibilities results are on file if you are an entering student. Go to <http://www.edfund.org/edtest/choose.cfm> to complete.
- < Enrollment in a minimum of six credit hours is confirmed.
- < All other file requirements are satisfied.

Check with staff if you are unsure of your file status.

All aid is paid directly to your student account. To obtain funds for living expenses you must request a refund from the Student Accounts Office. Refund Request Forms are available in the office. You may also request a refund via email from your AU email account to studentaccounts@american.edu. *Note: Refunds are only available when a refundable credit exists i.e., all charges are paid.*

Dean Fellow/Mussey-Gillett Fellows

Dean's Fellows and Mussey-Gillette fellows are compensated at the rate of \$11.00 per hour and are paid twice during the semester. The first paycheck will be issued September 30, the second November 30. Fall/academic year appointment (authorization) forms must be submitted by September 12 for the first payday. Applicable withholding is deducted prior to disbursement. Make certain that you have completed all necessary payroll forms including I-9 requirements, if necessary, before beginning work. Contact Karen Morgan if you have questions.

Outside Scholarships

Information regarding the following outside scholarship opportunities has been received.

- McDermott Minority Scholarship for second year students. Apply at www.mwe.com.
Deadline: October 6, 2006.
- Constangy, Brooks & Smith, Diversity Scholars Awards for second year students.
Apply at www.comstangy.com/MissionStatement.html. Deadline: November 1, 2006.
- Dickstein Shapiro Diversity Scholarship. Apply at www.dicksteinshapiro.com.
Deadline: September 15, 2006.

Stop in to check the Outside Scholarship Binder for additional scholarship information.

OFFICE OF GRANTS AND PROGRAMS

SAVE THE DATE: September 28, 2006

Interested in Studying Abroad? Need more credits this summer?

The Office of Grants and Programs will be hosting a **Study Abroad and Summer Session Fair on September 28, 2006 from 4:00-6:00 p.m.** in the Student Lounge on the 6th Floor (pending approval).

Come find out about taking one of WCL's intensive summer sessions and freeing up the rest of your summer. We have three: arbitration, environmental law and human rights! And you'll have time to do an internship or a supervised externship. You can also find out about the summer abroad programs, the 3 JD dual degree programs, and our 18 semester exchange possibilities that allow you to study in Asia, Europe, Latin America, and North America.

Bring your questions and we will do our best to answer them. To be sure to get an answer, send it ahead of time to grants-programs@wcl.american.edu by noon on Monday, September 25th.

Please come and join us Thursday, September 28 where faculty and staff will be on hand to answer any questions you may have regarding both Study Abroad and Summer Session possibilities. For additional information, contact us at grants-programs@wcl.american.edu.

OFFICE OF PUBLIC INTEREST

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

DEAN'S FELLOW OPPORTUNITY

The Office of Public Interest Seeks Fall Semester Dean's Fellow: The Office of Public Interest is seeking a Dean's Fellow to work 20 hours/week on a number of projects including the Pro Bono Honors Pledge Program, outreach to students, public interest employers and WCL alumni, the development of a public interest handbook, and the Public Interest Loan Repayment Assistance Program (PILRAP). Must be available to work Fridays. Sense of humor, excellent writing, computer and interpersonal skills are required. Interested candidates should submit a current resume and brief cover letter to Charlene Gomes, Public Interest Coordinator at cegomes@wcl.american.edu. Resumes will be reviewed on a rolling basis until the position is filled.

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.

UPCOMING PROGRAMS AND EVENTS:

1L Public Interest Roundtable Series

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. Fall 2005 Roundtables will be held on September 21, October 26, and November 16. Watch the Docket and the Public Interest Announcements listserv for additional details on the Roundtable series.

Pro Bono Honors Pledge Program “Getting Involved in Pro Bono” Session October 11, Room 504

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. The “Getting Involved” session is an opportunity to hear from current students about the advantages of participating in the pledge. Watch the Docket for additional details in the weeks to come.

Equal Justice Works Career Fair and Conference, October 19 and 20

Held every October in Washington, DC, Equal Justice Works is the nation’s largest public interest law career fair. First-year law students may attend sessions and participate in Table Talk – an opportunity to meet with attorneys at public interest organizations and agencies from around the country, and to get information about summer internship offerings.

OFFICE OF TECHNOLOGY

Welcome back, or welcome, to WCL.

The IT Office wants to let you know of some new services:

1. **LAW*MART** - (<http://www3.wcl.american.edu/lawmart/>). This is an online trading and review site, where you can: 1) sell and buy law books and other items; 2) advertise apartments to share or rent; 3) offer reviews of restaurants, bars, shopping, and more. You will have to register to use the system the first time (use your my.american.edu user name and password).
2. **Class Notices Sign-Up Page**. Want to know immediately when a class is cancelled or a makeup class is scheduled? Instead of having to check the website or look at the monitors in the building, you can sign up for instant notification to your email address(es), your cellphone(s), and/or use an RSS or ATOM feed. To sign up, you'll need your AUID number. Go to the following webpage, and enter your email address(es), phone number(s)/carrier(s), etc.
http://www.wcl.american.edu/student/notices/signup/add_all.cfm

3. **Accommodated Students Page.** For students who have notetakers for class, you can download your notes from a website and sign up for a RSS Feed to get automatic notification at (login using your my.american.edu user name and password).

<https://www.wcl.american.edu/studentaffairs/accommodations/login.cfm>

4. **Intranet Access.** You'll notice that when you are off-campus (only) some pages on the newly designed website are on the intranet and require a login to access. Login using your my.american.edu user name and password.

5. **Intro to RSS, Customized Podcasts and How to Customize a Google Homepage Workshops.** IT will be offering training sessions on September 6 and 7 in Room 103 on RSS (what is it? how do I use it and why would I want to?), how to create a custom podcast, how to personalize a Google home page, and how to use these and other WCL tools. The schedule of training sessions is below. These won't be formal classes, and you don't need to register - just stop by during the times below and we'll walk you through what you need to know.

September 6

12:00-1:30 PM

[WCL Tools & Customizing Google](#)

3:00-5:00 PM

[WCL Tools & Customizing Google](#)

September 7

11:30 AM-1:00 PM

[WCL Tools & Customizing Google](#)

4:00-6:00 PM

[WCL Tools & Customizing Google](#)

6. **Loaner Laptops** - In those instances when a student's personal laptop must be returned to the manufacturer for repair, a student may borrow – for a period of 1 week – a laptop from the Circulation Desk at the Pence Law Library. Both PCs and MACs are available for checkout.

7. **Online Training - Need a refresher in Word, Powerpoint, Access, etc.?** Go to: <http://lms.customguide.com/framework/index.php?module=Auth&action=Login> Use the following to login: student@wcl.american.edu PW: 4801mass.

8. **Judicial Clerkships Database** -

http://intranet.wcl.american.edu/career/clerkship_search2/ (on the intranet. If off-campus, login using your my.american.edu user name and password). Preparing for a judicial clerkship interview? Curious about a judge's interview style? Use this Judicial Clerkship Interview Feedback Database to locate and review information from alumni who interviewed with federal judges, state judges/justices, and administrative law judges around the country. The surveys include information about:

- Format and length of the interview(s)
- General topics and specific questions asked during the interview(s)
- Daily operation of chambers and typical clerk duties
- Advice specific to the judge or court
- Alumni contact information so you can call or e-mail with further questions

9. **Outlines Database** - A service of the SBA. Feel free to download a WCL student's outline at: http://www.wcl.american.edu/sba/outline_databank/search_outlines.cfm
Disclaimer: The Student Bar Association offers no warranties or assertions as to the credibility, accuracy, or strength of any of the outlines made available on this site.

10. **Norton Anti-Virus for PCs and MACs for free** - available at my.american.edu.
TECHNOLOGY | Download Software.

11. **CALI Training** - CALI is a U.S. 501(c)(3) non-profit consortium of law schools that researches and develops computer-mediated legal instruction and supports institutions and individuals using technology and distance learning in legal education. Topics include As a CALI School, students at WCL can take lessons free of charge. Students have to register initially. Enter your email address and the WCL code.

Here are some of lessons:

Top 10 1L Lessons Last Week

1. [Anatomy of a Case](#) (Legal Research)
2. [How to Brief a Case](#) (Legal Writing)
3. [Legal Research Methodology](#) (Legal Research)
4. [ALWD Citation Form](#) (Legal Writing)
5. [Mutual Assent](#) (Contracts)
6. [Introduction to Secondary Resources](#) (Legal Research)
7. [Fundamentals of Damages for Harms to Personal Property](#) (Torts)
8. [Analysis of a Diversity Case](#) (Civil Procedure)
9. [Citation Form for Briefs and Legal Memoranda](#) (Legal Writing)
10. [Punctuation and Grammar Basics for Law Students](#) (Legal Writing)

Top 10 2L/3L Lessons Yesterday

1. [The Law Governing Admission to Practice Law](#) (Professional Responsibility)
2. [Hearsay From Square One: The Definition of Hearsay](#) (Evidence)
3. [Tracing](#) (Remedies)
4. [Contempt Overview](#) (Remedies)
5. [Unclean Hands](#) (Remedies)
6. [The Equitable Defense of Laches](#) (Remedies)
7. [Recovery of Attorneys Fees](#) (Remedies)
8. [Best Evidence Rule Under the Federal Rules](#) (Evidence)
9. [Bases for Attorney Discipline](#) (Professional Responsibility)
10. [The Concept of Gross Income](#) (Tax Law)

Top 10 2L/3L Lessons Last Week

1. [Election of Remedies Doctrines](#) (Remedies)
2. [Contempt Overview](#) (Remedies)
3. [Statutory Interpretation](#) (Legal Concepts & Skills)
4. [Tracing](#) (Remedies)
5. [The Equitable Defense of Laches](#) (Remedies)

6. [The Law Governing Admission to Practice Law](#) (Professional Responsibility)
7. [Hearsay From Square One: The Definition of Hearsay](#) (Evidence)
8. [Recovery of Attorneys Fees](#) (Remedies)
9. [In Personam Remedies](#) (Remedies)
10. [Unclean Hands](#) (Remedies)

Here are the subject areas covered:

First Year

Second & Third Year

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Civil Procedure • Constitutional Law • Contracts • Criminal Law • Legal Research • Legal Writing • Property Law • Torts | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Administrative Law • Arbitration • Business Associations • Commercial Transactions • Copyright • Corporations • Employment Discrimination • Environmental Law • Evidence • Federal Courts • Games • Insurance Law | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Intellectual Property • Labor Law • Legal Concepts & Skills • Professional Responsibility • Real Estate • Remedies • Sales • Securities • Tax Law • Trademark • Trial Advocacy • Wills & Trusts |
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ACADEMY ON HUMAN RIGHTS

THE ACADEMY'S SUMMER PROGRAM

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; human rights and development; women's rights; terrorism and human rights; and international humanitarian law. The program is open to lawyers, professionals in the human rights field and law students. Classes can be taken for academic credit or Certificate of Attendance. All classes are open to WCL students, who can earn up to seven credits toward their degree.

More information about the Summer Program can be found at <http://www.wcl.american.edu/hracademy/summer.cfm>.

GET INVOLVED WITH THE ACADEMY ON HUMAN RIGHTS!

There are many ways to get involved with the Academy. We have numerous volunteer opportunities, as well as several paid positions and a part time assistant position. For Dean's Fellow opportunities, please see the "In Search Of..." section of the Docket.

Part-Time Assistant Position available with the Academy

The Academy on Human Rights and Humanitarian Law is looking for one part-time assistant for the Fall 2006 semester, with the potential to continue in the Spring 2007 semester. The assistant will be required to work 20 hours per week (with the possibility of working 27 hours per week) to provide administrative support and conduct legal research in international human rights law as needed. The position will also include supervising volunteers. Excellent writing skills in English and knowledge of Spanish are essential. The salary for this position is \$10/hour. If you are interested in applying for this position, please send your cover letter, résumé and short (10 pages max.) writing sample to hracademy@wcl.american.edu indicating "Part-Time Assistant Fall 2006" in the subject line by **noon on Friday, September 1, 2006**.

Volunteer Opportunities with the Academy

Help us organize the 12th Inter-American Human Rights Moot Court Competition!

As one of the only trilingual (English, Spanish & Portuguese) moot court competitions in the world, WCL's Competition brings together nearly 200 students from all over the world for a week of tough competition (and great fun) at WCL in late May. The Competition is dedicated to the advancement of the Inter-American human rights legal system and involves a large number of prominent attorneys and volunteer judges, experts from the Inter-American Commission and Court of Human Rights and more. During the week, participants attend receptions and other events, participate in training opportunities, and visit international organizations such as the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights. We also throw an awesome Salsa-dancing party!!!!

Volunteers are needed to communicate with participants, recruit judges, research the Bench Memorandum and plan the various events of the Competition. The Competition particularly seeks Spanish and Portuguese speaking volunteers (but not exclusively!). If you are interested in volunteering, please send an email to the Competition at iamoot@wcl.american.edu or at 202-274-4215. For more on the Competition, visit our website at www.wcl.american.edu/hracademy/mcourt.

Prof. Claudia Martin seeks volunteer to help with an international law project with Oxford University Press

Prof. Claudia Martin, Co-Director of the Academy on Human Rights and Humanitarian Law, seeks a student to serve as Assistant to the Editorial Board for the project Oxford Reports on International Law in Domestic Law. The project is sponsored by Oxford University Press and the Amsterdam Center for International Law at the University of Amsterdam and entails the creation of a database on international law in domestic court

decisions representing countries from all over the world. The role of the student will be to review a selection of cases submitted by reporters based in different countries, compare them to applicable guidelines, make comments and suggestions as to the final selection, communicate with reporters and guide them on how to write a report and commentary on the selected cases, review the report and commentary and make suggestions to the members of the Editorial Board. Since the cases come primarily from Latin America, knowledge of Spanish is essential. The reports will be produced in English, but the student will be required to consult the full text of the original decision as part of the review process. The final version of the report will be posted in the Oxford University Press database.

This is a volunteer position which requires 10 hours per week. If you are interested in this position, please send your resume to hrcademy@wcl.american.edu indicating “Prof. Martin Volunteer Fall 2006” in the subject line.

Call for Volunteers for Oxford University Press Project

The Academy on Human Rights and Humanitarian Law is looking for self-motivated WCL students, interested in joining them in an exciting project with Oxford University Press. The project entails drafting summaries in English of the Inter-American Court and Inter-American Commission on Human Rights decisions from their Spanish or English original versions. Thus we are seeking two types of volunteers: those who will translate and summarize from Spanish to English and those who will summarize from English to English. This is a great opportunity for students with excellent writing skills to contribute to wider international recognition of the Inter-American Human Rights System. The Academy seeks 1Ls, 2Ls, 3Ls, and LL.M.s who can dedicate between 5-10 hours/week to the project. This project is eligible to fulfill your Pro Bono Honors Pledge. If you are interested in applying, please send your cover letter and résumé to hrcademy@wcl.american.edu indicating “Oxford Volunteer Fall 2006” in the subject line.

Call for Volunteers for Inter-American Court of Human Rights Translation Project

The Academy on Human Rights and Humanitarian Law is looking for 1Ls, 2Ls, 3Ls, and LL.M.s interested in joining them in an exciting project with the Inter-American Court of Human Rights. The project entails translating decisions of the Inter-American Court of Human Rights from Spanish into English. This is a great opportunity for students with excellent writing skills to contribute to wider international recognition of the Inter-American Human Rights System. Excellent writing skills in English and working knowledge of Spanish are essential. This project is eligible to fulfill your Pro Bono Honors Pledge. If you are interested in applying, please send your cover letter and résumé to hrcademy@wcl.american.edu indicating “Translation Volunteer Fall 2006” in the subject line.

Dean’s Fellow Opportunities with the Academy

Four Dean’s Fellows positions are available with the Academy this fall. Please see the announcements in the “In Search Of...” section for information on how to apply.

CENTER FOR HUMAN RIGHTS

**CENTER FOR HUMAN RIGHTS SEEKS
A DEAN'S FELLOW FOR FALL 2006!!!**

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

The Center for Human Rights is hiring Dean's Fellows for Fall 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 1Ls 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 take on a high level of responsibility for the Center's programming. Dean's Fellows provide support to our many fun events and interesting projects, will assist with marketing Center events, manage the Center listserv, and help create innovative new programming. This is a great opportunity to get involved in the Center's substantive programs. Attention to detail, organizational skills, familiarity with Microsoft Office programs and proven interest in human rights issues are essential. Experience/skills in brochure/flyer design are a plus. A 20 hour/week commitment is preferred. To apply: send a cover letter, résumé and short English language writing sample (max. 5 pages), to Hadar Harris at humlaw@wcl.american.edu **as soon as possible but no later than August 31, 2006**. Please indicate that you are applying for the Center's Dean's Fellow position in the subject line of the email.

**FRENCH SPEAKERS NEEDED!
JOIN THE RENÉ CASSIN MOOT COURT TEAM**

CHERCHE ENTRETRAINEUR!

Le Concours René Cassin est organisé chaque année depuis 1985 par l'Association Juris Ludi. Son but est de promouvoir la connaissance et la pratique des droits de l'Homme, plus particulièrement de la Convention Européenne, par des étudiants en droit venus du monde entier. L'équipe est en train de se former ce mois, et nous cherchons un entraîneur qui peut nous aider une fois par semaine pour trois heures. L'équipe aura trois membres et plusieurs aides de recherche. L'entraîneur devrait connaître la jurisprudence de la Convention Européenne des Droits de l'Homme et la Cour européenne des Droits de l'Homme. Il va accompagner l'équipe en France pour dix jours au printemps et il va superviser la recherche pour la mémoire et la préparation pour l'argument orale. Il y aura des réunions pendant l'année, et l'entraîneur va être payé pour son travail. Si vous êtes intéressé, envoyez votre CV et lettre d'accompagnement par vendredi à Lizzie Rushing, le 8 septembre 2006 à elizabeth.rushing@gmail.com.

CHERCHE MEMBRES!

Le Concours René Cassin est organisé chaque année depuis 1985 par l'Association Juris Ludi. Son but est de promouvoir la connaissance et la pratique des droits de l'Homme, plus particulièrement de la Convention Européenne, par des étudiants en droit venus du monde entier. L'équipe est en train de se former ce mois, et nous cherchons deux membres pour des rencontres de deux heures par semaine. Les membres de l'équipe vont recevoir quelques crédits pour leur travail et faire engager un voyage à Strasbourg en

printemps pour la compétition. Si vous êtes intéressé, écrivez à Lizzie Rushing, elizabeth.rushing@gmail.com, par le 1 septembre 2006.

**HELP END GENOCIDE -- JOIN THE GENOCIDE TEACHING PROJECT (GTP)
AND JOIN STUDENTS TAKING ACTION NOW DARFUR (STAND)**

The Genocide Teaching Project pairs WCL students with local area high school classrooms to teach about genocide. The lesson plan, developed by WCL students, focuses on the definition of genocide, how genocide continues to occur even today – through the examples of Rwanda and Sudan – and how we can take action to stop genocide.

Currently, the Project's planning committee is seeking new members. The Project seeks enthusiastic volunteers to help update the lesson plan and find placements with local schools. The GTP fulfills the Public Interest honors pledge hours and is open to 1L participation. If you are interested in taking on a leadership role in the Project and wish to join the GTP Team, please contact Amelia Parker at humlaw@wcl.american.edu by Friday, September 8, 2006, including a brief description of why you wish to be involved. Please put "GTP" in the subject line.

The GTP has also started collaborating with Students Take Action for Darfur Now (STAND), a student group fighting to put an end to the genocide in Darfur, Sudan. A STAND chapter is in the process of being formed at WCL. For more information on STAND, contact 2L Lizzie Rushing at elizabeth.rushing@gmail.com.

**PARTICIPATE IN AN ACTION FOR HUMAN RIGHTS EXPERIENTIAL
LEARNING PROJECT - GET OUT OF THE CLASSROOM AND INTO THE
WORLD!**

Organized by Action for Human Rights, ELPs take students into the field to engage them in exploring human rights problems within the United States, humanizing the learning experience, fostering critical analysis, and charging classroom learning with transformative potential. Participants commit to attending all ELP sessions (usually four) to meet and visit people involved on all sides of an ongoing human rights issue. This Fall Semester, Action for Human Rights is in the process of planning two ELPs, including "Hurricane Katrina: 1 year later" and a "Learn to Be An Advocate: Make a Difference in Darfur." For more information on upcoming ELPs, contact 3L Lauren Bartlett: lauren_bartlett@yahoo.com.

**JOIN THE STAFF OF WCL'S PRESTIGIOUS STUDENT-RUN HUMAN
RIGHTS PUBLICATION: THE HUMAN RIGHTS BRIEF!**

The *Human Rights Brief* welcomes interested students, including 1Ls, to apply to become a member of our staff. The *Human Rights Brief*, a student-run publication of the Center for Human Rights and Humanitarian Law, reports on developments in international human rights and humanitarian law and provides concise legal analyses of current human rights issues. The *Brief* publishes short articles (3,000 words, few or no footnotes) on cutting-edge developments in human rights and international humanitarian law written by students, academics and leading human rights practitioners from around the world. The

Brief is highly regarded around the world and reaches over 6,000 subscribers in more than 90 countries. It is published three times a year and provides an excellent opportunity for students to publish their work. Whether you already have experience in the field of international human rights or are interested in becoming involved, the *Brief* provides a wonderful opportunity to work with other students interested in human rights. Applications for Staff Writer and Articles Editor positions are currently available outside the Human Rights Brief office, Room 630. **Applications are due by 5:00 p.m. Wednesday, September 6th.** For more information, contact Co-editors Mark Vorkink and Erin Scheink at chief_hrbrief@wcl.american.edu. Additional information on the publication may be found at: <http://www.wcl.american.edu/hrbrief/>.

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

For those of you who have not yet signed up for the Center's group email list, send an email to chrhlupdate-request@wcl.american.edu. Please leave the subject line BLANK and in the body of the message write SUBSCRIBE. Next week's list serve announcement will be the last for the semester. The list serve will resume the week prior to the start of classes spring semester.

UPCOMING EVENTS

**1 YEAR ANNIVERSARY OF HURRICANE KATRINA:
COMMEMORATION AND MOVING FORWARD
ALL DAY TUESDAY, AUGUST 29TH**

On Tuesday, August 29th, Action for Human Rights will be hosting a series of events to commemorate the one year anniversary of Hurricane Katrina. If you would like additional information on any of these events or would like to volunteer, please email lauren_bartlett@yahoo.com.

FILM AND DISCUSSION: Tuesday, August 29, 12 – 1pm, rm. 528

Action for Human Rights will present a short film and presentation on Hurricane Katrina and the current state of things in the Gulf Coast 1 year after, followed by a Q&A session and discussion. Email lauren_bartlett@yahoo.com with questions.

BAKE SALE: Tuesday, August 29, 9 – 5pm, WCL Lobby

Action for Human Rights (AHR) needs your help to create another year of successful bake sales. Last year, AHR raised thousands of dollars for victims of Hurricane Katrina, Tsunami victims, etc. You can show your support this year by volunteering to bring baked goods or sit at the table. Even one-half hour of your time on Tuesday can make a world of difference! If you are able to help, please contact Lauren at lauren_bartlett@yahoo.com.

CANDLELIGHT VIGIL TO REMEMBER VICTIMS OF HURRICANE KATRINA: Tuesday, August 29, 9pm, Lafayette Square, Washington, DC

Join students from Howard, Georgetown, UDC and American law schools, as well as many others to express sympathy and concern for the current state of affairs in the Gulf

Coast after the Hurricanes last year. The candlelight vigil will begin around 9pm and will be held in front of the White House. Email lauren_bartlett@yahoo.com if you're planning on attending and/or need directions.

GET INVOLVED IN YOUR COMMUNITY! ENJOY COFFEE, DONUTS AND BAGELS AT 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 new and improved 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!**

WHAT IS THE CENTER FOR HUMAN RIGHTS? – LEARN HOW YOU CAN GET INVOLVED IN HUMAN RIGHTS WORK AT WCL

Wednesday, August 30, 12-1pm, Rm. 603

Come learn about the variety of Center projects, student initiatives and opportunities for involvement that the Center provides. Among the projects which will be represented are the Human Rights Brief, the Genocide Teaching Project, the Student Advisory Board, Action for Human Rights Experiential Learning Projects, Alternative Spring Break, the Human Rights Film Series, and more. Lunch will be served.

ICJ EMINENT JURISTS PANEL TO HOLD HEARINGS ON COUNTER-TERRORISM AND HUMAN RIGHTS AT WCL

Wednesday – Friday, September 6-8, Rm. 603

9am – 5:30pm

In the wake of September 11, 2001 many states have begun to adopt an ever-increasing array of counter-terrorist measures. Unfortunately, these measures often come at the expense of basic human rights principles. The International Commission of Jurists (ICJ) panel will consider the nature of today's terrorist threats and the impact of new and old counter-terrorism measures on human rights & international humanitarian law. Over a period of 18 months, the panel will travel across the globe and hold public hearings in countries that in the past have faced cycles of terrorism and counter-terrorism, or currently face terrorist threats. Discussion will focus on whether post-9/11 security threats justify changing existing rules of international human rights & humanitarian law, and how laws and policies can both confront terrorism effectively and respect human rights. The Eminent Jurists Panel includes: Arthur Chaskelson (South Africa), Georges Abi-Saab (Egypt), Robert K. Goldman (USA), Hina Julani (Pakistan), Vitit Muntarbhorn (Thailand), Mary Robinson (Ireland), Stefan Trechsel (Switzerland), E. Raul Zaffaroni (Argentina). To attend, please register with the Office of Special Events at secl@wcl.american.edu or call (202) 274-4400.

EXTERNSHIP PROGRAM

Room 413 (202) 274-4200 www.wcl.american.edu/externship
M, W 9:00 am-5:30pm; T, Th. 9:30 am-6:00pm; F 9:00 am-3:00pm
externship@wcl.american.edu

ILs:

Informational workshops will be held later in the semester. Please watch the Docket for details.

Got Questions?

Stop by for Externship questions and cookies daily at 3:00.

NUTS AND BOLTS

The fall “Nuts and Bolts” Manuals are now available. Please pick one up from outside of the Externship Office, Room 413. It explains everything you have to do to apply for, and register for an externship. This information is also available on our website.

INTERNATIONAL EXTERNSHIPS: Summer 2007

There are many International Externships available for the summer of 2007. If you are interested, please stop by the office to fill out a questionnaire, and let us know.

EXTERNSHIP PROGRAM BULLETIN BOARD

There are still many employers looking for last-minute externs, but you must contact them ASAP. Check the bulletin board outside the Externship Office for new listings, but please--**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 searchable on keyword, as well as by employers who are “recently looking.” The Database is available on the Externship website www.wcl.american.edu/externship Username: **extern**; Password: **eagle**.

Some of the many employers who are looking for Fall Externs are:

- ABA Commission on Law and Aging
- Catholic Charities
- Chambers of the Honorable Marian Blank Horn—U.S. Court of Federal Claims
- Chambers of the Honorable Thomas Craven—Circuit Court for Montgomery County
- Just Neighbors
- Maryland Office of the Public Defender for Montgomery County
- NAACP
- National Association for Biomedical Research
- Quality Trust for Individuals with Disabilities
- Senate Sub-Committee on Education and Early Childhood Development
- United States Commission on Civil Rights
- World Service Authority

Please check out the bulletin board or look for these employers on the database for more information and application instructions.

SPRING EXTERNSHIPS

Some Department of Justice offices have October 2nd deadlines for Spring Externships. Please plan and time your applications accordingly.

STUDENT PLACEMENT EVALUATIONS

Come by the Externship Office to view binders of student evaluations of placements to hear what past externs have said about the organization to which you are considering applying.

We look forward to helping you find a great externship opportunity for the fall!

INTERNATIONAL ARBITRATION PROGRAM

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Interested in Investment Arbitration? Save the Date for the **Third Annual Seminar in International Commercial Arbitration: How to Handle a BIT Arbitration** which will take place in Washington DC from October 9 - 12, 2006. This exclusive seminar has been developed to help mid-career legal practitioners meet the challenges of this exciting practice area – **as a WCL student, you are eligible to participate** and achieve the following:

- **Network with 5 of the “top 20 arbitration specialists” in international arbitration:** R. Doak Bishop, Donald Francis Donovan, Carolyn Lamm, Daniel Price, and Lucy Reed (*as listed in PLC Cross-border Quarterly, July-September 2006*).
- Gain knowledge on investment arbitration – one of the fastest growing areas in international arbitration.
- Learn from practitioners and arbitrators through dynamic interactive lectures and scenario-based exercises based on a mock case.

Take advantage of this unique opportunity you have as a WCL student – JD, LL.M, and SJD students are eligible to participate (JD students as observers) at a reduced rate of \$250. Fees cover materials, breakfasts, lunches, the opening dinner, and closing reception.

The Seminar is co-sponsored by the American Arbitration Association, the International Centre for the Settlement of Investment Disputes (ICSID), and the International Court of Arbitration of the International Chamber of Commerce. Cooperating institutions include the ABA Section of Dispute Resolution, ASIL Dispute Resolution Interest Group; International Dispute Resolution Committee of the DC BAR; Hispanic National Bar Association; Inter-American Bar Association and United States-Mexico Bar Association.

A Limited Number of Scholarships Available to WCL Students!

The International Arbitration Program will award scholarships to 2 WCL students to participate in the seminar. The scholarship consists of the seminar fee which includes materials, breakfasts, lunches, the opening dinner, and closing reception. Upon completion of the seminar a Certificate of Attendance will be presented.

To qualify for the scholarship you must:

- 1) Be currently enrolled as a WCL student (JD, LLM, or SJD).
- 2) Have experience or exposure in at least 2 of the following fields: Arbitration, Dispute Resolution, International Law, and Investment Law.
- 3) Demonstrate an interest in pursuing a career in arbitration.

To Apply:

Submit complete contact information, a cover letter, and curriculum vitae to arbitration@wcl.american.edu by close of business Tuesday, September 12, 2006.

Criteria for Selection:

Students will be selected based on applicable interest in investment arbitration, experience or exposure in the field of arbitration or international law and interest in pursuing a career in arbitration.

The names of the selected students will be determined by Friday, September 15, 2006.

For more information, please visit the International Arbitration Program website at www.wcl.american.edu/arbitration, call (202) 274-4321 or email: arbitration@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	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.

Welcome Back to the Pence Law Library!

Need Research Help? Directions? Are you starting your research paper or a comment and need help identifying possible topics? Are you cite-checking for a journal and unsure of what a citation means or where it can be located? Are you lost using West’s Key

Number system? There is help available at the Reference Desk. Stop by, call 202-467-4352 or email us at reflib@wcl.american.edu .

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 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.

Students Whose Articles Have Been Published If you have an article accepted for publication, or recently published, by any law review or other scholarly journal, please send your name, article title, and journal title to Billie Jo Kaufman, Associate Dean for Library and Information Resources. We hold a reception to honor student scholarship efforts each spring and we don't want to leave anyone out. Send information to bkaufman@wcl.american.edu.

Important Changes to our Carrel Policy To maximize the availability of reserved carrels there use is now limited to any 2L, 3L, 4L or LLM WCL law student who is enrolled in and pursuing an upper level writing credit or any member of a WCL law review or publication who is writing an article, comment or note. Questions? Contact Adeen Postar, Deputy Director at apostar@wcl.american.edu or Circulation Manager Allen Hengst at ahengst@wcl.american.edu.

Computer Assisted Legal Instruction on Law School Subjects New CALI disks with revised and new lessons are available at the Pence Law Library Circulation Desk. 1Ls will receive the CALI disks in their Legal Rhetoric classes. Upper level students may pick them up at the Circulation Desk. You may also access CALI lessons at www.cali.org.

Please Be a Good Library Citizen and keep your personal conversations in the library to a minimum and do not use your cell phone in the library. Your fellow students are studying! Use one of our group study rooms for collaborative learning and conversations; you can sign up for one at the Circulation Desk. Also, *do not leave your laptop or any valuable personal item unattended on a library table.*

WAR CRIMES RESEARCH OFFICE

The WCRO serves as a source of expertise in humanitarian and international criminal law for selected international organizations. In the past year, for example, the office undertook international law research projects for the International Criminal Court and the Special Court for Sierra Leone. We also speak at conferences on international criminal and humanitarian law issues, and publish regularly on the development of international criminal jurisprudence.

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.

Getting Involved: Volunteers

All students with an interest in public international law are encouraged to volunteer at the WCRO. We have several volunteer opportunities with a wide range of time commitments. Volunteers work on projects including:

- monitoring of on-going cases before the world's major international criminal courts and tribunals;
- publishing summaries of judgments issued by the International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda;
- assisting with discrete legal research, editing or spading projects; and
- updating a database of the jurisprudence and key documents relating to international criminal courts and tribunals that is made available to researchers, experts and practitioners of international criminal and humanitarian law around the world.

If you would like more information about volunteer opportunities, contact us via email at warcimes@wcl.american.edu, or call us at 202-274-4067.

International Student Resource Panel: LLM STUDENTS ENCOURAGED TO APPLY!

Those students who have legal experience in countries other than the US are encouraged to sign up for the WCRO's International Student Resource Panel. We keep a list of panel members who are willing to serve as resource persons on WCRO research projects that have a comparative law element. The time commitment for Panel members is highly flexible as volunteers 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.

STUDENT BAR ASSOCIATION

The SBA announces an open Senate seat! Anyone interested in becoming a 2L Senator, please send a resume and a cover letter to sba@wcl.american.edu. **You must also attend the Senate meeting on Aug. 29, at 10:10 pm in room 101.**

The first Student Bar Association Senate will be held on Aug. 29, at 10:10pm in room 101. Students wishing to be on the agenda for the meeting must email Sum Mehrnama by 11:00am at smehrnama@yahoo.com.

Donors For Life Brings a Blood Drive to Campus

Who: Sponsored by the WCL Student Bar Association

What: Blood Drive

Where: 6th Floor Lounge

When: Wednesday, Aug. 30th from 11am-5pm

How: Support the blood drive by donating blood and/or encouraging your friends, family, classmates, and co-workers to donate at one or more blood drives. Sign up at www.donorsforlife.net

Student Bar Association Finance Chair, Whitney Robinson, will be holding brief ten to fifteen minute informational meetings for treasurers and presidents of student organizations regarding *Finance Requests and Reimbursements*. Meetings will be held in the 5th Floor SBA Lounge at 10:10 pm on Monday, August 29 and Thursday, August 31, 2006. Student Organizations should send one member to one of the meetings. There will be a Question & Answer Session after each meeting. Any questions: whitney.robinson@american.edu

Alternative Dispute Resolution Society

Please join us for our first informational meeting on **Thursday, August 31 at 12 pm in room 601**. We will be discussing upcoming events such as speakers, competitions, and mediation trainings. Lunch will be served. We hope to see you there!

Business Law Society

Orientation Meeting - The Business Law Society will hold an orientation meeting on August 30, 2006. Please come and learn more about how to get involved in the society, our upcoming events and business law opportunities at WCL. All are invited! We will have two sessions; choose which one is most convenient for you. *Pizza will be provided during our lunch session* **Date: Wednesday August 30, 2006 Time/Place: 12:00-12:50 Room 402 5:30- 6:00 Room Tba** If you have any questions please contact af0113a@american.edu

Christian Legal Society

Examining Justice from God's Perspective- **Tuesday, August 29, 2006 12-1:00pm, Room 627** All are welcome, please bring your own lunch.

Christian Legal Society welcomes all evening students to an introductory meeting on Tuesday, **August 28th from 5-5:50pm in Room 526**. Pizza will be provided. Come as you are and feel free to bring a friend! For more information about the Christian Legal Society, please contact andreamcomf@yaho.com.

Evening Law Students Association

General Body Meeting and Elections for 1L Representative and Treasurer

The Evening Law Students Association (ELSA) is the only student organization dedicated specifically to the needs and interests of evening students at WCL. ELSA is committed to providing useful professional, academic, and social opportunities for evening students, as well as to increasing awareness, interaction and integration of evening students with all members of the WCL community. To join our listserve send an email to elsa@wcl.american.edu.

ALL evening students are invited to attend the general body meeting on Thursday, September 7 in room 528 from 8pm to 9pm. We will hold elections for the vacant

positions of Treasurer and 1L Representative. There will be a panel of current evening students to talk about succeeding in law school and answer your questions about balancing work with studying, journals, externships, clinics, and everything else. We also want to hear from evening students about what events you want ELSA to organize this year. Come meet some fellow evening students and have some free pizza!

ELSA is currently seeking students for the positions of 1L Representative and Treasurer. If you are interested in running or would like more information, please email your name, phone number, a brief statement of interest explaining why you would like to serve on the ELSA board, and whether you will attend the general body meeting on the 7th to elsa@wcl.american.edu before midnight on Monday, September 4.

Environmental Law Society

Introductory Meeting- The Environmental Law Society (ELS) is a student organization dedicated to creating an awareness of current environmental **Wednesday, August 30th in Room 100** matters and the legal issues surrounding them. ELS will be holding a introductory meeting on to discuss upcoming events this Fall and ways to get involved with environmental law at WCL. Please contact els@wcl.american.edu with questions. Lunch (not pizza) will be served!!

Health Law & Justice Initiative

Call for Papers – Health Law Bulletin

The Health Law & Justice Initiative will publish the fall edition of the Health Law Bulletin in September and is interested in student-authored articles. Deadline for submitting articles is September 5th, and students should send an email to hlji@wcl.american.edu as soon as possible to express their interest and submit their story idea. Original stories are accepted and students are especially encouraged to submit articles drawn from papers they have written for classes that can be modified if necessary to meet space requirements. Contact Emily Strunk at hlji@wcl.american.edu with any questions.

HLJI is currently looking for representatives from each of the 1L sections and the evening section. This role basically requires you to attend HLJI meetings regularly (about once a month) and distribute information to your section about HLJI events and activities (mostly through email). Plus you'll be the first to know about opportunities to get more involved with HLJI. If you are interested, please send an email to emily.strunk@american.edu that includes your name, section number, phone number, email address, and a brief statement letting us know why you are interested in being an HLJI section rep.

Human Rights Brief

Want to Get Involved in Human Rights? Write for the Human Rights Brief! The Human Rights Brief welcomes interested students to apply to become a member of our staff. Whether you already have experience in the field of international human rights or are

interested in becoming involved, the Brief provides a wonderful opportunity to work with other students interested in human rights.

Applications for Staff Writer and Articles Editor positions are currently available outside the Human Rights Brief office, Room 630. Applications are due by 5:00 p.m.

Wednesday, September 6th.

Additional information on the publication may be found on the website of the Center for Human Rights and Humanitarian Law, or contact us at: chief_hrbrief@wcl.american.edu

Immigrants' Rights Coalition (IRC)

General Informational Meeting: Are you interested in immigrants' rights? Come to the Immigrants' Rights Coalition first general meeting to find out about the activities we have planned for the fall and how you can get involved in the WCL community and the DC Metro area. Current IRC Board members will be on hand to answer any questions you might have regarding activities and events. Contact irc.cochairs@gmail.com for further information. **Tuesday, August 29, from 12:15 – 1:15 in Room 602. Lunch will be served.**

International Trade Law Society

Orientation Meeting- Monday, August 28 from 12-1pm in room 528. Lunch will be served. All students are invited to attend. E-mail any questions to matt.simpson@american.edu.

Islamic Legal Forum

On Thursday, August 31 from 12:00pm-1:30pm in Room 524, WCL's Islamic Legal Forum will be having our first Meet & Greet event for new and continuing students. Everyone is welcome! Come meet old and new faces, discuss plans for the upcoming year, and enjoy a delectable meal (NOT pizza) on us.

Israel & Law Society

Tuesday, August 29 Room 501 Noon Come learn about the Israel & Law Society this Tuesday at noon in Room 501. All students are welcome. Middle-East lunch will be served.

Latino/a Law Students' Association

First General Meeting- Wednesday, August 30th 12:30-1:30 pm Room 500 Lunch will be provided

If you can't make the meeting at 12:30pm, please join us at our alternate evening meeting: **Wednesday, August 30th 5:30pm Room TBD**

Phi Alpha Delta Law Fraternity, International

Monday, August 28, 2006, 12-1:30 PM, Rm 603

Phi Alpha Delta Law Fraternity, International is hosting its first informational session for new students. Learn about the largest legal fraternity in the world and all of the benefits it offers, including networking opportunities, discounts, academic development,

community service, and an extensive outline bank. Prizes will be given and lunch will be served. For more information, please contact Tyler Patterson (tylerep@hotmail.com).

Students United

Get Involved--Come learn more about Students United!!!! We are holding an **Informational Meeting on August 30th at 12pm in Room 503**. Pizza Will be Served!!!

This will be an opportunity to learn more about this wonderful experience, ask questions and start the application process.

- Students United is a student-run organization providing one-on-one tutoring and mentoring services to youth detained at the Oak Hill Youth Center in Laurel, Maryland. Each of the youth are at some stage in the juvenile justice system and are in need of the support of a one-on-one relationship. Students United also has a community mentoring program that pairs interested mentors with youth throughout D.C.

Sustainable Development Law & Policy

Recruitment - Sustainable Development Law & Policy (SDLP) is a student-run publication at American University, Washington College of Law that focuses on reconciling the tensions between environmental sustainability, economic development, and human welfare. SDLP is currently accepting applications for 1L and transfer students to be a part of the publication. Applications are due Tuesday, September 5th at Rm. 631. To see current and back issues of SDLP please visit <http://www.wcl.american.edu/org/sustainabledevelopment>. If you have any questions, please contact Kelly Rain, kelly.rain@gmail.com or Maria Vanko, mariavanko@gmail.com. APPLICATIONS ARE AVAILABLE IN THE LOBBY, THE SDLP WEBSITE, AND OUTSIDE RM 631.

Women's Law Association

The Women's Law Association will have its first meeting **Thursday, August 31 at noon in Room 602**. Come learn more about this student organization which provides a diverse feminist forum for WCL students to address legal, social, political, and educational issues facing women today around the world. If you're interested in joining the WLA yahoo group in order to receive emails from the organization, please send an email to: womenslaw-subscribe@yahoogroups.com. If you have any questions, please contact WLA President Sarah K. Brown at sarah.k.brown@american.edu.

IN SEARCH OF...

The War Crimes Research Office is seeking Dean's Fellows for Fall 2006. JDs (2L and 3L) and LL.M students are eligible to work on major legal research projects prepared exclusively for international criminal courts and tribunals on issues of critical importance to these institutions. Interested students with a background in public international law, particularly international criminal / humanitarian / human rights law, are especially encouraged to apply, as are those with prior volunteer experience at the WCRO. The time commitment will be a minimum of 20 hours a week. Please submit a resume and a cover letter, along with a short writing sample and a transcript (unofficial is fine) to Susana

SáCouto, Director, War Crimes Research Office, by email at warcimes@wcl.american.edu. The deadline for applications is **Friday, September 1, 2005 at 5pm**. If you have any questions, please feel free to stop by our office at 4910 Massachusetts Ave, NW, just one block from WCL, call us at 202-274-4067, or e-mail at warcimes@wcl.american.edu.

Kristine A. Huskey, a Practitioner-in-Residence in the International Human Rights Law Clinic, seeks one Dean's fellow to work 10 - 15 hours per week. The Dean's fellow will work on various research projects related to torture, specifically psychological torture (mental and/or emotional harm) in the context of the hunger strikes and suicides at the Guantanamo Bay Military Base. Candidates with a background in international human rights and/or humanitarian law are particularly encouraged to apply. Please submit a resume and cover letter to Kristine A. Huskey in Room 430 or to huskey@wcl.american.edu by noon, Friday, September 8.

Prof. Walter Effross invites applications from second- and third-year students for the position of his research assistant (10 hours per week; approx. \$3,100 for the academic year) for this academic year, on projects in cyberlaw, corporate and commercial law, and intellectual property law. If you are interested, please submit your resume, transcript, and statement of your other anticipated obligations for the academic year to Professor Effross's administrative assistant, Rosalena Thompson, in Room 475 by 5:00 p.m. on Friday, August 25.

The **Impact Litigation Project** is looking for two Dean's Fellows for the fall with the potential to continue through the spring semester to work on freedom of expression cases. Candidates must be fluent in both English and Spanish, have excellent writing skills in both languages and have a proved interest in human rights issues. This is an excellent opportunity for 2Ls, 3Ls and LL.M.s to work with Dean Grossman and the lawyers at the Impact Litigation Project; gain experience in human rights international litigation; and get an inside look at impact litigation strategy-drafting. Dean's Fellows will be required to work at least 10 hours per week researching and drafting legal memoranda and providing administrative support for the Project. If you are interested in applying to this position please send an email with a cover letter, resume and short writing sample (10 pages max. in English or Spanish) to Agustina Del Campo at delcampo@wcl.american.edu indicating "Dean's Fellow fall 2006" in the subject line by Monday September 4th.

CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS: The Impact Litigation Project is seeking 1Ls, 2Ls, 3Ls, and LL.M.s who can dedicate between 5-10 hours/week to the project. This is an ideal opportunity for students who have an interest in international human rights law to become familiar with international organizations in this field. Please let us know if you are interested in the project. For more information or questions, visit our website at <http://www.wcl.american.edu/ilp/> or contact Agustina Del Campo at delcampo@wcl.american.edu

The Office of the Dean is seeking two Dean's Fellows for AY 2006-2007. Each position involves 10 hours per week of administrative support. Spanish is helpful, although not required. Interested second or third year law students should promptly submit a cover letter and resume via email to audrey@wcl.american.edu.

Adrienne Lockie, a Practitioner-in-Residence in the Women & the Law Clinic, seeks one Dean's fellow to work 10 - 15 hours per week. The Dean's fellow will work on various research projects related to legal ethics, education, diversity, clinical law teaching, and feminist theory, and in projects related to the Women & the Law Clinic. Candidates with a background in social-science research, education, or women's studies particularly encouraged to apply. Please submit a resume and cover letter to Adrienne Lockie in Room 431 or to alockie@wcl.american.edu by Friday, September 8, 2006 at 4:00 p.m.

Professor Bridgewater is seeking a deans fellow for 10 hours per week. Projects will vary including editing, research, and grant writing. Students with a particular interest in women's health, critical race theory, and/or reproductive rights are encouraged to apply. Please turn in a resume and letter of interest to my administrative assistant, Frankie Winchester, in Room 405.

Jane Stoever, the Director of the Domestic Violence Clinic and a Practitioner-in-Residence at WCL, seeks one or two Dean's Fellows for a total of 20 hours per week. The Fellows will assist with research on subjects related to domestic violence, family law, and clinical teaching. A background in domestic violence issues, feminist theory, women's studies, education, or psychology is preferred, but not necessary. Please e-mail resumes to jstoever@wcl.american.edu or bring them to Room 347A by September 1st.

The Office of Grants and Programs and the International Arbitration Program are seeking to hire two Dean's Fellow (10-20 hours per week) to help us prepare for and implement the Third Annual Seminar on International Commercial Arbitration, WCL's Annual Study Abroad and Summer Session Fair, and other related activities. Interested students should apply by submitting a resume, photocopy of law school transcript, and writing sample in our office mailbox in Room 465 by Tuesday, September 5. Questions can be directed to Aurora Carmichael at grants-programs@wcl.american.edu or (202) 274-4317. Prior office experience is preferred.

Prof. Teresa Phelps is looking for a Research Dean's Fellow who can read Spanish for research assistance on several projects, but most immediately (and urgently) with help on a paper on women's voices in truth commission reports. Please stop by 316 or email at tphelps@wcl.american.edu and submit a transcript, a resume, and a writing sample.

The Civil Practice Clinic is seeking three dean's fellows for the 2006-07 academic year. CPC dean's fellows play an important role in our student attorneys' clinical experience. Each dean's fellow will commit to working 20 hours per week for the CPC faculty supervisors. Responsibilities will include role-playing for a series of in-class and/or out-of-class simulations, class- and case-related research and other projects, and case file

management. Positions provide fun and interesting work while you learn about what CPC student attorneys do in their representation of real people with real legal problems. Second language skills desirable, but not required. Please submit your resume to Michelle Jacome (CPC Administrative Assistant) in room 417 (Clinic reception area) and designate “CPC” on the resume or cover letter. Please apply early for these desirable positions. We would like to make selections as soon as possible.

The Glushko-Samuelson Intellectual Property Law Clinic is seeking a Dean’s Fellow to play a client role in our year-long simulation. The position will involve no more than 100 hours per semester and requires availability on alternate Thursday mornings. If you are interested, please contact to Josh Sarnoff, jsarnoff@wcl.american.edu, 274-4165, or Vicki Phillips, vfphillips@wcl.american.edu, 274-4078, as soon as possible.

The Program on Information Justice and Intellectual Property (PIJIP) seeks Dean’s Fellows for three projects. Each slot will be available for one 20 hour /week or two 10 hour /week Dean’s Fellows subject to negotiation with the Program. One or two lead Fellows will be selected for each project, but all PIJIP Dean’s Fellows will have opportunities to work on aspects of each project depending on the interest of the Fellow and demands of the projects. The projects include:

- **Program Coordinator for PIJIP.** This project will consist of serving as a general research assistant for the Associate Director of PIJIP. Responsibilities will include helping plan a Spring seminar on intellectual property and human rights issues, providing logistical support for the Finnegan Distinguished Lecture on Intellectual Property, generating ideas for and assisting to plan conferences, panels, brown bag lunches and other meetings with intellectual property and media law experts, and researching various intellectual property topics in support of PIJIP’s work. Applicants should have a strong interest and background in intellectual property. Experience in event planning and media relations will be a plus. Background in human rights, moral theory, economics, international development theory or the politics of globalization and global justice movements will also be helpful.
- **Constitutional litigation assistance, National Legislative Association on Prescription Drug Prices.** Dean’s Fellows will provide research and litigation support for a group of consumer organizations supporting New Hampshire’s defense of the constitutionality of its first-in-the nation law regulating the sale of prescribing data to pharmaceutical companies. The legislation has been challenged by drug marketers as a violation of corporate First Amendment “commercial speech” rights as well as of the negative aspects of the Commerce Clause. Strong applicants will have a solid background in constitutional law and experience assisting litigation (preferably motions and appeals practice). Interest in intellectual property (particularly patents) and access to medicines will be plus factors.
- **Research assistance on Free Trade Agreements and Access to Medicines.** Fellows will assist PIJIP analyze the impact of free trade agreements on U.S. state and developing country rights to regulate medicine prices and prescribing

practices. Research will support the Forum on Trade and Democracy's campaign to influence U.S. negotiating positions on intellectual property and medicine-related provisions in free trade agreements. Strong applicants will have a background in international intellectual property law, trade law or health law. To apply for any or all of the positions, please submit a letter describing your interests and qualifications, a resume, grade report and writing sample to Sean Flynn, Associate Director, Program on Information Justice and Intellectual Property, sflynn@wcl.american.edu, Suite 16, 4910 Mass Ave.

Professor Brenda V. Smith seeks Dean's Fellows for the Fall 2006, to work 10-20 hours per week. Dean's Fellows will provide research and assistance with projects on legal issues related criminal justice. Specifically the topics to be worked on include sexual abuse in correctional facilities, implementation of the Prison Rape Elimination Act, and assistance with work related to the national Prison Rape Elimination Commission. Excellent work ethic, and research and writing skills a must. Interested applicants should submit a cover letter, resume, transcript and writing sample to bvsmith@wcl.american.edu and simonian@wcl.american.edu.

Dean's Fellow Opportunities with the Academy on Human Rights and Humanitarian Law:

Positions one and two: Help coordinate the Summer Program and Annual Meeting on Human Rights Law and conduct research on international human rights law

Two Dean's fellows will be required to work 20 hours a week each, assisting in the preparations for the Academy's Summer Program, Annual Meeting on Human Rights Law, and other special projects. These positions will provide administrative support to the Summer Program staff, conduct legal research on international human rights law, and work with special projects as needed. Interested students with a background in international law are especially encouraged to apply. Knowledge of Spanish is a plus, but is not required. If you are interested in applying for this position, you should send your cover letter and resume to hacademy@wcl.american.edu by **noon on Friday, September 1, 2006**. Please indicate "Dean's Fellow Fall 2006" in the subject line.

Position three: Conduct research on international human rights law

Professors Diego Rodriguez-Pinzon and Claudia Martin are looking for one Dean's Fellow for the Fall 2006 semester. The Dean's Fellow will be required to work 20 hours per week doing legal research in international human rights law, in particular in inter-American human rights law issues. Legal research experience in human rights and international law as well as working knowledge of Spanish, though not required, are a plus. If you are interested in applying for this position, you should send your cover letter and resume to hacademy@wcl.american.edu by **noon on Friday, September 1, 2006**. Please indicate "Research Assistant Dean's Fellow Fall 2006" in the subject line.

Position four: Help coordinate the 12th Inter-American Human Rights Moot Court Competition

The Competition is looking for a highly-motivated dean's fellow for the Fall 2006 semester to help organize the 12th Inter-American Human Rights Moot Court

Competition. Join us as we recruit students, faculty and attorneys from around the world. Tasks will include implementing various marketing strategies, researching the Bench Memorandum, helping with fundraising efforts, designing the website, planning fun events, and much more. We are looking for a native (or extremely fluent) Spanish speaker for 10 hours a week. Please send a cover letter and résumé to the Competition at iamoot@wcl.american.edu by **noon on Friday, September 1, 2006**. Please highlight any translation experience you may have in your cover letter. All students, particularly LLM students & former Competition participants, are encouraged to apply!

The Women and the Law Program is looking for an energetic Dean's Fellow. Responsibilities include communicating with potential Gender and the Law LL.M Specialization students from around the world, organizing exciting and innovative events, and managing our list serve, website and database. Organizational and writing skills are important. A 20 hour/week commitment is preferred. To apply, send a cover letter and resume to Daniela Kraiem at kraiem@wcl.american.edu, with "Fall Dean's Fellow" in the subject line.

The Office of Admissions is seeking second or third-year JD law students to work as tour guides and in our front reception area. Duties will include conducting tours, answering phones, greeting prospective students and other visitors, responding to email inquiries, updating prospective database, and processing some outgoing mail. The pay rate is \$11.00/hour and is paid bi-weekly. The hours would be between normal office hours of 9am-5pm. Ideally, we'd like students who can work 8-20 hours per week and we will coordinate the schedules of students selected for the positions. Preference will be given to students who can work a shift of 4 hours or more. If you are interested in working in admissions for fall semester, please email your resume (including WCL activities) to Assistant Director of Admissions Kaitlyn Cook at kcook@wcl.american.edu . Please include in your email the days and hours you would be available to work.

The Clinical Program is seeking volunteers to assist student attorneys with interpretation/translation and simulation role playing. Please join us at a meeting on Monday, August 28 at 2:00 pm or Friday, September 1 at 12 Noon in room 415 to hear details about these opportunities with the program. You may be able to receive credit for pro bon service with the public interest program. Snacks will be served.

The Clinical Program is seeking two dean's fellows who speak Spanish and/or French (but primarily Spanish speakers are needed) to work with student attorneys in the program performing interpretation and translation duties. You will work with the student attorneys and perform such duties as making phone calls to clients, assisting at client meetings and working on documents as necessary. You will be required to fill out an interpreter screening form to assess your level of language expertise. The positions are for 15 hours each a week. You will be required to be in the program office during your dean's fellow hours. For more details, and to submit your letter of interest and qualifications and resume, please contact Maribel Yamat at 274-4147 or myamat@wcl.american.edu.

The Women & the Law Clinic seeks dean's fellows to work for up to 10 hours per week. The dean's fellows will work on various projects related to the Women & the Law Clinic, including playing roles in simulated cases, assisting on actual cases, working on technological change in case management, conducting research for the professors who teach in the clinic and collecting materials necessary for clinic work. Please submit a resume and cover letter to Professor Ann Shalleck or Stephanie Fitts, the program administrator for the Clinical Program, in room 417 or at siftts@wcl.american.edu by Friday, August 25, 2006 at 5:00 p.m.

Internship on U.S. Foreign Policy in Liberia- A unique opportunity for students to:

- Learn how the foreign policy process really works;
- Develop valuable research skills ;
- Work with documents once classified TOP SECRET and higher;
- Become proficient in a 90,000-record computerized database

The RFK Memorial Center for Human Rights is partnering with the National Security Archive to file Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) requests for U.S. government information on human rights violations in Liberia. The requests cover the time period from January 1979 until October 2003, and focus on gaining knowledge of specific events, groups, and individuals involved in the conflict in Liberia. The information received from the relevant government agencies will be shared with the Justice and Peace Commission (JPC) of Liberia, which will use the information to bring to justice individuals responsible for carrying out the egregious human rights violations during the conflict. The information obtained from the FOIA requests will also be used to enhance the work of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission (TRC) of Liberia. The intern's specific assignments may include building chronologies of events; helping obtain, order and catalog government documents; assisting with data entry; and performing library and archival research. Every effort is made to keep non-substantive tasks to a minimum. The intern will be based at the National Security Archive, where he or she can expect to gain a solid body of knowledge in the political and human rights situation in Liberia, as well as a familiarity with the resources available for foreign policy research in Washington and how to obtain documents through the Freedom of Information Act. The Robert F. Kennedy Memorial Center for Human Rights in Washington, DC strives to strengthen social justice movements around the world through a combination of grassroots advocacy, research, lawsuits, and general support of individual human rights activists and their causes. In 1999, the RFM Memorial awarded the Human Rights Laureate Award to the Most Reverend Archbishop Michael Kpakala Francis, who founded the Justice and Peace Commission (JPC) of Liberia. Since 1999, the Center for Human Rights has engaged in a long-term partnership with the JPC of Liberia, a non-governmental human rights group. The goal of Archbishop Francis and the JPC is create a sustainable peace and build the capacity of the civil society in Liberia. The JPC has called attention to human rights violations by the Liberian government and has advocated for the international community's involvement in sustaining peace and developing a democratic political infrastructure. The National Security Archive is an independent, non-profit research institute and library. The goal of the Archive has been to document recent U.S. policy and enrich research and public debate on the often hidden process of national security decision making. Through its collection, analysis, and publication of previously classified government documents, the Archive is able to reconstruct U.S. policy making on a variety of foreign, defense, and intelligence issues and capture how government

decisions are made – with important implications for ongoing policy. Deadline: Open until position is filled. If interested, please contact: Sushetha Gopallawa, Senior Program Officer at the Robert F. Kennedy Memorial Center for Human Rights (phone: 202 463 7575x270; email: gopallawa@rfkmemorial.org), or Michael Evans, Director Colombia Documentation Project at the National Security Archives (phone: 202 994 7029; email: mevans@gwu.edu)

Internship opportunities are offered without regard to race, religion, national origin, age, gender, sexual preference, marital status or non-job related physical handicap.

ADDITIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Notary Service is available in the clinical program office, room 417. Please stop by during business hours (9-5, Mon-Fri) or call 274-4142 to make an appointment with the notary. The fee is \$2 per transaction.

Stay--or Get--in Shape! De-stress! Meet Other 1L, 2L, 3L Students, Faculty, Staff, and Administration! Want to make sure you stay or get in shape? Want to relieve your stress and stay healthy? Need or want a morning, mid-day, or early evening break from your work or studies? Care to meet people outside those who are in your classes? Read on!!! If you're interested in joining others who would like to run and/or swim (making use of the Athletic Facilities on American University's Main Campus) in order to stay (or get) healthy and fit, well, you're in luck... we're looking at putting together a group for those who are interested in running and/or swimming throughout the week. Depending on the amount of interest and schedules, these runs and swims could take place in the mornings, afternoons, and/or evenings on a rotational or regular basis... and could run (pun intended) on an opt-in basis: you can come when you can or when your schedule or workload permits. But having others to do it with can be encouraging--and fun! The group would be open to anyone affiliated with WCL--students, faculty, staff, and administration. If you're interested, please e-mail Khalid Itum at KhalidAULaw@gmail.com and look for further information by e-mail.

OFFICE OF CAREER & PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Suite 122

Hours

Monday and Thursday: 9:00 am to 6:00 pm

Tuesday and Wednesday: 9:00 am to 7:00 pm

Friday: 9:00 am to 5:00 pm

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

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

WELCOME NEW AND RETURNING STUDENTS!

****The Office of Career & Professional Development (OCPD) moved to the first floor this summer and is now located in Suite 122. Please stop by to review**

resources in our new student resource center or to schedule an individual counseling appointment.

New Students: OCPD will provide 1L students with an orientation on the use of our primary resource, eCampusRecruiter, later this semester. **Please do not register on eCampusRecruiter at this time** (see “General Reminders” for details). OCPD will also host Career Day for 1Ls, an introduction to our office and the legal profession, in November. Details about the event will be announced in the Docket. We look forward to working with you!

Returning and Transfer Students: **The 2006 Fall Recruitment Program is well underway.** Students interested in participating in the program should consult eCampusRecruiter for additional details and deadline information for on-campus (OCI), resume collection and direct application employers. Employers will continue to post throughout the recruitment season.

Reminders: Students participating in OCI must sign-in prior to their interview time at the OCPD front desk. **Each Resume Collection employer will be assigned to one of the following deadline dates: August 23, September 6, and September 13.** Please carefully check each posting to confirm whether the submission is online or requires that application materials be brought to the large drop box outside OCPD.

UPCOMING PROGRAMS, DATES & DEADLINES & IMPORTANT REMINDERS

SECRETS TO SUCCESSFUL CALL BACK INTERVIEWS—You have been successful in the screening interview, but do you have what it takes to GET THE OFFER? Join OCPD and Daniel Binstock, (WCL '00), Managing Director, BCG Attorney Search (DC) as we look behind the scenes of a successful call back interview. **FIND OUT:** The structure of a Call Back Interview; How best to prepare for the Call Back; What questions to expect & which to ask; How to answer difficult interview questions...**and more! Wednesday, September 6; 12:00-1:30; Room 402 Pizza will be provided.** Please sign-up on the “Events” section of eCampusRecruiter.

PUBLIC INTEREST & GOVERNMENT

The Office of General Counsel of the U.S. House of Representatives is currently accepting applications for a **paid, full-time, permanent Law Clerk position.** This position is ideal for law students enrolled in the evening program who wish to gain substantive legal experience before graduation, and former law clerks from this office have gone on to federal clerkships and positions in large law firms. Due to the nature of this position, individuals near or in their last year of law school or in LLM programs, those seeking only summer positions, and law graduates will not be considered. We are particularly interested for this position

in hiring an evening student who will graduate spring 2009. For more information, please visit eCampusRecruiter for application directions.

Presidential Management Fellows Program (PMF): Do you have a passion for public service and are you interested in pursuing a career in the Federal Government? If so, the Presidential Management Fellows Program (PMF) may be for you! This program can provide you with an opportunity to apply knowledge you acquired from graduate study to a rewarding career experience with the Federal Government.

You **MUST** apply to this program through WCL – you cannot apply directly. Eligible students must have completed a graduate degree during the 2006-2007 academic year (September 1, 2006 – August 31, 2007). **There will be a mandatory information session for interested students on Wednesday, August 30th promptly starting at 4:30pm in Room 602.** Please register on eCampusRecruiter if you are planning to attend.

JUDICIAL CLERKSHIPS

ATTENTION 3LS/4Ls: Planning to apply for a judicial clerkship for the 2007 term? Many federal and state judges have been accepting applications (and hire on a rolling basis) or have deadlines very soon!

For federal clerkships, under the Federal Law Clerk Hiring Plan, paper applications should be mailed to federal judges on September 5 and online applications (for those federal judges participating in OSCAR) should be complete by noon on September 6. See the OSCAR box on the main judicial clerkship page (<http://www.wcl.american.edu/career/clerkships>) more information about OSCAR.

For state clerkships, judge-specific hiring information for more than 20 states is listed within the “Judicial Clerkship” section of eCampus.

If you plan to apply for clerkships and have not been in touch with Shelley Rudge, Judicial Clerkship Coordinator, attend a judicial clerkship workshop (or call to schedule an individual appointment) to find out what you need to know to apply. Please note that these workshops will focus primarily on state clerkships.

- Wednesday, August 23 from 5-6 (Room 313)
- Monday, August 28 from 12-1 (Room 501)
- Tuesday, September 12 from 12-1 (Room TBA)
- Please register under the “Events” section of eCampusRecruiter if you plan to attend one of these workshops.

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."

DIVERSITY INITIATIVES

Northwest Minority Job Fair: Are you interested in working in the Northwestern United States? If so, the Northwest Minority Job Fair is a great way to reach employers based in the Seattle, WA area. The event will be held on Saturday, September 16, 2006, from 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. at the office of Perkins Coie LLP, located at 1201 Third Avenue, Suite 4800, in Seattle, Washington. For more information on how to register for the job fair, please visit <http://www.nwmjf.org/registeredstudents.htm>. Pre-registration is closed, but students are still being allowed to register for the fair. Interview schedules will be distributed on the day of the event. Please contact Staci Bixler at jobfair@perkinscoie.com with additional questions.

Thompson Hine Minority Scholarship Program: Thompson Hine is pleased to announce its first Minority Scholarship Program. Applications will be accepted from 2L minority students. Thompson Hine will pay the scholarship recipient \$10,000, less applicable taxes and withholdings, at the conclusion of his or her services as a 2007 summer associate. The award and payment of the scholarship is conditioned upon the law students' acceptance of a position as a 2007 summer associate in one of the firm's offices and completion of at least 10 weeks of services as a 2007 summer associate. The program description and application form can be found at www.thompsonhine.com. The application deadline is **September 15, 2006**.

Vault Legal Diversity Job Fair: Vault, in partnership with the Chicago Committee on Minorities in Large Law Firms, will be hosting the Vault Legal Diversity Job Fair on September 20th from 5-8pm at Jenner & Block's Chicago office. This event will connect 40 legal employers (from Chicago and its surrounding areas) with 350 of the best and brightest minority, female and LGBT law students. There are no fees associated with participation in this event. Space is limited so please register for this event by

September 6th. Sign up online and view a complete list of law firm exhibitors at www.vault.com/legaldiversity06.

Dickstein Shapiro Diversity Scholarship: Dickstein Shapiro will award up to three scholarships annually to diverse law students who have completed their first full year of law school. Students who attend a part-time program must have completed the first two years of their program. Diverse 2L students from all law schools are eligible to apply for the scholarship. Diversity scholars will receive \$15,000 (minus any applicable taxes and withholding) upon completion of their second-year summer at Dickstein Shapiro to help defray the cost of law school tuition and related expenses. Recipients of the scholarship must spend their entire second-year summer in the firm's summer associate program. Applications are due by **Friday, September 15, 2006**. Scholarship recipients will be notified on or before Friday, October 6, 2006. Please visit www.dicksteinshapiro.com for more information or contact Julie Miles, Manager of Attorney Recruiting in the Washington office at milesj@dicksteinshapiro.com.

King & Spalding Diversity Fellowship: The King & Spalding Diversity Fellowship is open to second-year law students in good standing, whose presence will increase the ethnic and cultural diversity of the practice of law. Fellowship recipients will receive \$10,000 and a summer associate position in the King & Spalding office of their choice (U.S. offices only) for Summer 2007. Interested and qualified 2L candidates should complete the online application, which is due back to the firm on **September 15, 2006**. For more information about the fellowship and to access the application, please visit the Diversity section of King & Spalding's website at www.kslaw.com. Hardcopy applications are available at the OCPD Front Desk.

Asian Education Fund's Mock Interview Program: The Asian Education Fund (AEF), Hispanic Bar Association of D.C. and the DOJ Association of Black Attorneys are proud to announce the Annual AEF Mock Interview Program. The program will be held on **Saturday, September 9th** in the D.C. office of Hogan & Hartson LLP. All law students are invited and encouraged to participate. Lunch will be provided. ***Registration forms are now available at the OCPD Front Desk.*** All registrations will be on a first-come, first-serve basis. Please contact Jessie K. Liu (202-514-7549) or Julie S. Lu (202-619-0174) at AEFBoard@yahoo.com should you have additional questions.

GAYLAW's Annual Job Talk: GAYLAW (Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, and Transgender Attorneys of Washington) will hold its annual Job Talk for individuals starting or planning on pursuing legal careers on **Thursday, July 27, at 7:00 PM at the Washington, DC offices of Weil, Gotshal & Manges** (1300 Eye Street, NW). The event will include a panel discussion about what it is like to be a GLBT person in various types of legal work environments, and will include a question and answer period. There will be a reception afterwards. Panelists: Brian Moulton, Staff Counsel, Human Rights Campaign; Leslie Hill, Associate, Arnold & Porter LLP; Mark Robbins, Executive Director, The White House Privacy & Civil Liberties Oversight Board; and Brandon Fitzgerald, Assistant General Counsel, US Foodservice. This event is free, and there is

no need to RSVP in advance. For more information, please contact Austin Fulk at FulkA@dicksteinshapiro.com or at (202) 420-2729. Please also see www.gaylaw.org.

For more information on Diversity Initiatives, including *job fairs, scholarships/fellowships and networking opportunities*, please visit <http://www.wcl.american.edu/career/jobfairs.cfm>.

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR LL.M. STUDENTS

Basic Resume and Cover Letter Writing Workshop Next Week! Register Now!

Before scheduling an individual counseling session with Adriana Vito for resume and cover letter review, **foreign trained LL.M. students** are required to attend one of our Resume and Cover Letter Workshops. Since the workshops are mandatory, the earlier you attend the better! Our next workshop will take place on **Thursday, August 31, from 4:00-6:00pm in Room 130** (conference room on the 1st Floor near the entrance to the law school). Students who already have a JD from a law school in the United States and are currently enrolled in the LL.M. program at WCL are not required to attend this workshop, since the session focuses in adapting foreign credentials to a U.S. style resume.

Registration is required: if you are interested in attending this workshop, please send an email to Ms. Adriana Vito at avito@wcl.american.edu with your name and country of origin. Please remember to bring a copy of your resume and cover letter drafts so we can work on them! If you don't have one yet, no problem, we will create a draft together! Hope to see you there!

New Format for ILSP Career Connection

Our bi-weekly resource for jobs, internships and events! Stay tuned!

The ILSP Career Connection. is a bi-weekly electronic publication containing jobs and internship opportunities for LL.M. students and alumni. Stay tuned to your emails for our next edition and for instructions on how to access this publication on line. You can access the next edition after Friday, August 25 by following these instructions:

- Go to WCL home page at <http://www.wcl.american.edu/>
- Click on the Career Development link located in the left side of the screen
- Click on the Foreign Trained LL.M. Services link located on the left side of the screen
- Click on the ILSP Career Connection link that appears listed on the top right of your screen (inside a text box)
- In case you are browsing the website from a remote location (outside AU) you may be asked to type in your Novell log in and password (the same information you use to access your personal/ financial information.

If you experience difficulties in accessing the ILSP Career Connection, please email Adriana Vito at avito@wcl.american.edu

Dean's Fellow Wanted for the Fall Semester 2006

JD students welcome to apply!

The Assistant Director for International Career Programs is hiring a Dean’s Fellow the fall semester to assist with administrative tasks at the Office of Career and Professional Development. If interested, please send a cover letter and your resume to Ms. Adriana Vito at avito@wcl.american.edu .The Dean’s Fellow is expected to work 10 hours per week. This is a paid position (\$11.00 per hour). Requirements: Excellent English drafting and English conversation skills. Ability to conduct internet research. Candidates must be organized and able to meet deadlines for assignments. The deadline for applications is August 31. Only candidates selected for interviews will be contacted. Thank you!

General Reminders for LL.M. Students:

Adriana Vito is available to meet with you for resume and cover letter review and to answer your job search and internship questions. **You are required to attend a Basic Resume and Cover Letter Writing Workshop before meeting with Adriana** on an individual basis. To schedule an appointment, please contact the OCS front desk at (202) 274-4090 or stop by Suite 122. Please remember to send an email with your cover letter and/ or resume at least 48 hours prior to your appointment to avito@wcl.american.edu. If possible, include your job search/ career interests in the email message so we can better attend to your needs.

DROP-IN HOURS for LL.M. Students

Adriana is also available to answer quick questions (10 minutes or less) during drop-in office hours: Tuesdays from 3:00pm - 4:00pm and Wednesdays from 11:00am - 12:00pm

****Remember to check your emails periodically – We will be sending you announcements of workshops, internship opportunities and activities by email. ****
Have a great week!

GENERAL REMINDERS FOR STUDENTS

Student eCampusRecruiter Profiles

Please take a moment to update your **eCampusRecruiter** profile. Student profiles should be updated on a regular basis to note changes in contact information and areas of interest. Periodically, the Office of Career & Professional Development will email important information concerning job postings and events to students based on what they have indicated on their profiles. Therefore, keeping your profile current is necessary if you wish to receive such information. To obtain a username and password go to www.ecampusrecruiter.com/auwcl.

Please refer to the following Job Search categories for locating postings relevant to your job search:

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 Internships, Summer Associate, Law Clerk & Judicial Internships

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

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

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

Important information for 1L-Day students regarding eCampusRecruiter!

1L-Day students should **not** be registering on eCampusRecruiter at this time. In October, OCPD will conduct an eCampusRecruiter training session at which time students in this population will be automatically registered into the system. In the meantime, 1L-Day students should utilize the OCPD portion of the Docket to learn about upcoming events and programming. Students with questions regarding eCampusRecruiter are encouraged to contact the OCPD Resources Coordinator, Robin Fulton, at rfulton@wcl.american.edu.

Did you know that you can use your eCampusRecruiter student profile to sign up for listservs in the area(s) of your interest(s)? OCPD uses the information provided on the student profile to send targeted emails to students who express interest in a particular practice area or specialty. To enroll in a listserv, simply use the “Edit” option on your student profile and select any number of options under “Listservs.”

OCPD Website: Some portions of the OCPD 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.

OCPD Counseling Services:

OCPD has seven 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 122.

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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 with 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 August 28, 2006

Monday, August 28

12-1:30 PM, Rm 603, Phi Alpha Delta Law Fraternity International informational session

12-1 pm, Rm 501, How to Secure a Judicial Clerkship for the 2007 Term: Nuts & Bolts Workshop

12-1pm, Rm 528, International Trade Law Society Orientation Meeting

10:10 pm, 5th Floor SBA Lounge, informational meetings w/ Student Bar Association Finance Chair

Tuesday, August 29

9 – 5pm, WCL Lobby: Bake Sale For Katrina Victims

12-1pm, Rm 627, CLS Examining Justice from God's Perspective

12 pm, Rm 501, Israel & Law Society meeting

12 – 1pm, Rm. 528: Film And Discussion On Hurricane Katrina

12:15–1:15, Rm 602, Immigrants' Rights Coalition General Informational Meeting

5-5:50pm, Rm 526, Christian Legal Society introductory meeting

10:10 pm, Rm 101, SBA Senate meeting

Wednesday, August 30

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

11am-5pm, 6th Floor Lounge, Donors For Life Brings a Blood Drive

12-12:50, Rm 402, Business Law Society Orientation Meeting

12-1pm, Rm 100, Environmental Law Society Introductory Meeting

12-1pm, Rm. 603: Learn How You Can Get Involved In Human Rights Work At WCL

12pm, Rm 503, Students United Informational Meeting

12:30-1:30 pm, Rm 500, Latino/a Law Students' Association General Meeting or see 5:30pm

4:30pm, Rm 602, Presidential Management Fellowship (PMF) Information Session

5:30-6, Rm Tba, af0113a@american.edu, Business Law Society Orientation Meeting

5:30pm, Rm TBD, Latino/a Law Students' Association General Meeting

Thursday, August 31

12-1:30pm, Rm 524, Islamic Legal Forum Meet & Greet

12 pm, Rm 601, Alternative Dispute Resolution Society informational meeting

12 pm, Rm 602 Women's Law Association meeting

10:10 pm, 5th Floor SBA Lounge, informational meetings w/ Student Bar Association Finance Chair