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2007 WCL Commencement

Please click on the following link to be directed to the Commencement page:

<http://www.wcl.american.edu/commencement.cfm>

JDs who are concerned that their name might be mispronounced should see Associate Dean Jaffe in the Office of Student Affairs (suite 300); LLMS should contact the International Legal Studies Program in Room 338.

OFFICE OF THE REGISTRAR

E-mail: registrar@wcl.american.edu

REGISTRAR'S OFFICE HOURS FOR SPRING 2007 SEMESTER

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

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

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

FALL 2006 EXAMS READY FOR PICK-UP: Many exams from the fall 2006 semester are now available for pick-up in room 304. If we do not yet have the exams for your class, you may contact the instructor directly.

Attention Maryland Bar Applicants: You must submit your Pre-Legal Certificate to your undergraduate institution. WCL Registrar's Office does not certify pre-legal education. Please read all instructions carefully. You are responsible for requesting a final transcript to be sent to the MD Bar.

Attention Bar Exam Applicants: Anyone needing certification to submit with your bar exam application, please request as soon as possible. (for most states, applying early means avoiding late fees) Please be sure to carefully read **all** instructions before filing your bar exam applications. Each state has different requirements and procedures.

Go to barexam.org to find your state's exam instructions, requirements, deadlines, and fees.

INCLEMENT WEATHER AND EMERGENCY CLOSING OF THE UNIVERSITY:

The decision to close the university or have a delayed opening is made by the Provost in consultation with the Assistant Vice President for Facilities Management. In case of overnight snow and ice, the decision is made by 6:00 am. In cases of snow during the day, the decision to close fir evening classes will be made by 3:00 pm. Decisions to change a delayed opening to a closing will be made by 8:30 am. Decisions are made as early as possible, but often are affected by rapidly changing conditions. Circumstances considered in taking such decisions are: (1) conditions of campus, (2) conditions of roads and public transportation, and (3) predicted weather. All major TV and Radio stations will be notified as soon as decisions are made. The University Hotline number for information on closing is 202-885-1100. For individual cancellations of law classes please call 202-274-4400, and check "Notices" on our web site at <http://www.wcl.american.edu/>.

OFFICE OF THE DEAN

UN CAT PROJECT (Fall 2007)

Dean Grossman, Vice Chair of the United Nations Committee against Torture (UN CAT), is seeking approximately six rising upper level J.D. students to assist him in preparing for the official UN CAT meetings in Geneva, Switzerland.

WCL's UN CAT Project includes a for-credit seminar on the prohibition of torture, co-taught by Dean Grossman and Project Coordinator Jennifer de Laurentiis, as well as a field component: attending the Committee's official meetings in Geneva for one week in November. The countries currently scheduled to appear before the Committee are Australia, Portugal, Latvia, Estonia, Uzbekistan, Norway, and Benin.

Interested WCL students should submit a one-page cover letter and resume by Monday, March 5, 2007, via email to jdelaurentiis@wcl.american.edu. Applications should specifically address experience in international human rights law. Decisions will be

made by April 2007. For more information about the UN CAT Project, please visit <http://www.wcl.american.edu/ilp/uncat.cfm>.

Do not miss this unique experiential learning opportunity involving the universal human rights system and the Committee against Torture!

OFFICE OF STUDENT SERVICES

Lunch with the Dean!

The Spring series of lunch meetings with Dean Claudio Grossman continues on Tuesday, April 3 at 12:30pm. 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.

May 2007 Commencement Discounts:

Continental Airlines: 800-468-7022 Agreement Code: A186QL Z Code: ZVES

American Airlines: 800-433-1790 Agreement Code: A5657AR

Savoy Suites Georgetown: 202-337-9700 Mention: WCL Commencement

WCL Business Cards

The Office of Student Services is pleased to extend to the student community an opportunity to order business cards with the AU and WCL imprint.

Students may find these cards useful during networking sessions and other opportunities when outside the law school.

The law school receives no income through purchase of the business cards. Please use the link provided to order yours today!

<http://www.wcl.american.edu/studentaffairs/businesscards.pdf>

OFFICE OF DIVERSITY SERVICES

Sherry A. Weaver, Director – (202) 274-4032 – Suite 300 – sweaver@wcl.american.edu

Hours: 9:30 am-5:30 pm

March 7, 2007 Tenth Annual Hispanic Law Conference--“The Voice of the Latino/a Lawyer: Accomplishments and Challenges

The conference is a collaboration among the law school; LaLSA; the National Hispanic Bar Association; and the Hispanic Bar Associations of the District of Columbia, Maryland, and Virginia. Entitled “The Voice of the Hispanic Lawyer: Accomplishments and Challenges,” the 2007 event will be held on Wednesday, March 7, from 3:30 to 9:00 pm in room 603. It will begin with the Career Forum and Networking Opportunity for students, followed by two expert panel presentations on issues affecting the U.S. Latino/a population. The day will conclude with the Awards Dinner.

Student admission is free. You may register online or pick up information in either the Office of the Dean or the Office of Diversity Services.

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE STUDENT AWARDEES

GOLDMAN-GROSSMAN AWARD—for an LL.M student:
PREMIO INSPIRACION AWARD—for a JD student:

Jorge F. Calderon Gamboa
Maria Lucero Ortiz

GWAC (Greater Washington Area Chapter, Women Lawyers Division of the National Bar Association)—Ruth E. Banks Green Legal Intern Placement Program “. . .offers challenging summer employment opportunities for minority law students. GWAC places law students entering their second or third year of law school in legal internships with various cooperating employers in the DC metro area.” More **INFORMATION** is available in the Office of Diversity Services. **THE ACTUAL APPLICATION MUST BE OBTAINED FROM GWAC.** Applications are due **NO LATER THAN FRIDAY, MARCH 9.**

NSALSA/NSABA PUBLIC INTEREST FELLOWSHIP

The North American South Asian Law Students Association (NASALSA) and the North American South Asian Bar Association (NASABA) are announcing their first joint Public Interest Fellowship. They will be awarding \$5,000 to one student pursuing summer public interest work that benefits the South Asian community in North America. More information is available in the Office of Diversity Services. **Completed applications are due by Friday, March 9, 2007,** and a winner will be announced around April 16, 2007.

SAVE THESE DATES

March 15-17

South Asian Summit

March 24—all day

Robert E. Wone Annual Judicial Clerkship & Internship Conference, Howard University

April 11—5:00 PM

“Promoting Access: Diversity Among Judicial Clerks and Interns,” WCL

April 14—10:00-4:00

11th Annual Sylvania Woods Conference on African Americans and the Law, featuring a special recognition of BLSA

FOUNDERS CELEBRATION: Watch the public announcement spaces for the many interesting, timely, and relevant events. Frequently they offer networking opportunities, but they always teach you something.

HAVE A GREAT SPRING BREAK, EVERYBODY!!!!

OFFICE OF FACULTY AND ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT SERVICES

After March 2, 2007, the Course Packet Distribution Center (Room 465) will be closed in order to prepare for the Summer 2007 classes. Students who need to pick up photocopied course materials should visit the Course Packet Distribution Center on or before March 2. Thank you.

OFFICE OF FINANCIAL AID

Dean’s Fellow Payments

The deadline for submitting new appointments for spring term is March 8. The final payment (paycheck) for the school year will be disbursed March 31 and all paperwork

must be submitted as indicated for a check to be issued. Contact the office if you have questions.

Summer Financial Aid

Loan assistance is available for summer study. To receive aid you must:

- file a summer aid application by **May 1**. Forms are now available.
- enroll in a minimum of six credit hours.
- have a 2007-08 FAFSA on file, and
- meet satisfactory academic progress standards.

Special Note- Summer costs are such that the Stafford loan will not fully cover the standard budget; supplemental funding may be necessary. If you borrow Grad PLUS or private loan monies to make up the difference it will be necessary for you to request the amount needed for the entire award period, summer, fall and spring terms, at the time of your initial application. This will facilitate disbursements. If you are unsure of what you will need, check our Supplemental Loan "Q" and "A" sheet for guidance or simply estimate your need. Adjustments can be made later if necessary.

Funding is also available for study at another institution if the credits earned will be accepted by WCL. Additional information regarding study away enrollment is available at the financial aid counter.

Financial Aid Awareness Winner - Congratulations and thank you to prize winner Jonathan Medina for participating in our Financial Aid Awareness Week activities.

Income Tax Information

Form **1098-T** has been mailed to enrolled students by the Office of Student Accounts. This information is used to claim the Hope Scholarship or Lifetime Learning Tax Credit on your federal return. Form **1098-E** (Student Loan Interest Statement) is provided by your lender for the Student Loan Interest Deduction. An information sheet on educational tax benefits is available in the office. Detailed information can be found at www.irs.ustreas.gov.

Outside Scholarships

Information regarding the following outside scholarship opportunities has been received.

- **The World Bank Group Scholarships for Female Students from Developing Countries.** **Deadline:** February 28, 2007. Apply at www.wbfn.org
- **Robert A. Shuker Scholarship.** **Deadline:** April 20, 2007. Apply at www.shukerscholarship.com
- **NJ Department of Health and Senior Services** – Leigh Cook Fellowship and John H. Rutledge Fellowship for NJ residents. **Deadline:** March 30, 2007
- **Supreme Court of Oklahoma Sovereignty Symposium Scholarships**
 - Susan J. Ferrell Scholarship - **Deadline:** April 1, 2007
 - Chief Justice Doolin Writing Competition – **Deadline:** March 15, 2007
 - Ed Edmondson Scholarship – **Deadline:** May 5, 2007

• **Roscoe Pound Institute Awards** *Roscoe Hogan Environmental Law Essay Contest* and *Elaine Osborne Jacobson Award for Women in Health Care Law* **Deadline:** March 9, 2007. Details at www.poundinstitute.org

• **Jan Jancin Competition and Sidney B. Williams Diversity Scholarships** are available. Information can be found at www.aiplef.org.

• **Attorney – CPA Foundation Essay Contest.** **Deadline:** June 4, 2007. Details and application information is available at www.attorneycpa.com.

• **Essex County (NJ) Bar Association Biunno Scholarship for Law Students with Disabilities.** **Deadline:** May 11, 2007.

• **Hispanic Business Magazine’s Woman of the Year Awards.** **Deadline:** March 19, 2007.

• **Federal Circuit Bar Association Scholarships** – Howard T. Markey Memorial Scholarship, Giles Sutherland Scholarship and William Bullinger Scholarship. **Deadline:** April 30, 2007.

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

OFFICE OF PUBLIC INTEREST

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

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 EVENTS:

FEBRUARY ROUNDTABLE POSTPONED TO MARCH 28: Due to Prof. Wilson’s upcoming travel to Guantanamo, the February 28 Roundtable has been moved to March 28. Professor Rick Wilson discusses “Why I dropped out of law school, then went back for love of public interest work - the long strange trip of my happy career, with lots of time devoted to public defense, legal aid and clinical legal education, both here and abroad.” **Participation is limited to encourage interactive discussion. Please RSVP to nuraqua786@yahoo.com.** Pizza will be provided.

RSVP NOW for the FINAL 1L ROUNDTABLE, APRIL 4: Please join Professor Susan Bennett and WCL Alumna Antonia Fasanelli for a roundtable discussion on housing and homelessness. **Participation is limited to encourage interactive discussion. Please RSVP to michla97@yahoo.com.** Pizza will be provided.

PRO BONO HONORS PLEDGE PROGRAM:

ATTENTION 3Ls – Final Pro Bono Hours due Friday, March 30: Members of the class of 2007 should submit any unreported Pro Bono Honors Pledge hours no later than Friday, March 30th. The total hours reported will determine the level of honors

acknowledged during the April 12 Cicchino Public Service Awards Dinner, and will be used to report completion of the Pledge for inclusion in the graduation bulletin. The levels of honors are:

- Pro Bono Service Honors (75-124 hours)
- Outstanding Pro Bono Service Honors (125-174 hours)
- Exceptional Pro Bono Service Honors (175+ hours).

What Counts Toward the Pledge?

- ✓ For community service placements (up to 25 hours), volunteer work with a nonprofit on behalf of a low-income or underrepresented population (First year students only).

- ✓ For pro bono placements, (50 or more hours), work with a nonprofit organization, government agency or WCL program engaged primarily in law-related work on behalf of low-income or underrepresented populations that is not for pay or academic credit.

To learn about the Pro Bono Honors Pledge Program, stop by the Office of Public Interest in Suite 122 and pick up a copy of the pledge materials.

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

- LINK
- Genocide Teaching Project
- Marshall-Brennan
- Students United
- Election Protection
- Clinical Program Translators

OFFICE OF SPECIAL EVENTS AND CONTINUING LEGAL EDUCATION

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Upcoming Events!

Reparations in the Inter-American System: A Comparative Approach
Date 3/6/07
8:00 am – 6:00 pm
Room 603

Tenth Annual Hispanic Law Conference
The Voice of the Latino/a Lawyer: Accomplishments and Challenges

Date 3/7/07
Time: 3:30 pm - 9:00 pm
Room 603

Assisting Law Students with Disabilities in the 21st Century: Brass Tacks

Date: 3/08/07
8:30 am - 5:00 pm
Room 603

**"David & Goliath"
Negotiating Free Trade Agreements with the United States**

Date: 3/8/07
Time: 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
Room 603

**Reception and Book Signing
in honor of the recent publication of
*Bordering on Madness: An American Land Use Tale***

By: Professor Andrew Popper

Date: 3/8/07
Time: 5:00 p.m.
Dean's Suite, Third Floor

2nd Annual Meeting on Human Rights

Date 3/9.07
Time: 9:00 am - 5:15 pm
Room 603

Save the Dates: Spring 2007

March 10th

Karchmer Moot Court Competition Celebration of Public Service and Leadership to honor Four Distinguished Law Professors in Elected Office

March 15th and 16th

South Asian Summit 2007

FOR THE FULL LISTING OF FALL PROGRAMS PLEASE VISIT
WWW.WCL.AMERICAN.EDU/SECLE

ACADEMY ON HUMAN RIGHTS AND HUMANITARIAN LAW

SUMMER PROGRAM

Three Intensive Weeks: May 29 – June 15, 2007

The Summer Program offers a unique opportunity for current LLM students since you can apply **up to seven credits** of the Summer Program towards their degree in this three-week program.

The Summer Program offers courses in English and Spanish to **students**, scholars and activists of human rights law, offering them the opportunity to deepen their knowledge and to network with other experts in the field. The Academy offers a broad spectrum of important courses spanning the field of human rights law, a unique blend of theory and practical experience, and is taught by renowned experts in this critical area.

For additional information please visit our website at <http://www.wcl.american.edu/humright/hracademy/> or contact us at hracademy@wcl.american.edu.

Please see below for the courses we are offering this summer and the faculty that will be teaching.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Second Annual Meeting on Human Rights Law, March 9th, Room 603 9:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

The Protection of Vulnerable Groups in the Inter-American Human Rights System

Dinah Shelton, George Washington University

Sacha Llorente, Universidad Andina Simón Bolívar, Bolivia

Susana Villaran, Consultant, Peru

Mari Cristina Silva, Brazil Permanent Mission to the OAS

Moderator: Claudia Martin, Washington College of Law

10:45 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.

Overview of the Current Status of the Inter-American Human Rights System's Case Law

James Cavallaro, Harvard University

Emilia Segares, Inter-American Human Rights Court

Juan Carlos Arjona, Universidad Iberoamericana

Moderator: Robert Goldman, Washington College of Law

2:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Political and Judicial Role of the Inter-American Human Rights System's Bodies: Challenges Ahead

Victor Abramovich, Member of the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights

Diego Garcia-Sayan, Judge on the Inter-American Human Rights Court

Ariela Peralta, Center for Justice and International Law (CEJIL)

Carlos Ayala, Comisión Andina de Juristas, Venezuela

Moderador: Claudio Grossman, Dean, Washington College of Law

3:45 p.m. - 5:15 p.m.

Current Challenges in the National Implementation of Inter-American Human Rights System's Standards and Decisions

Maria Paula Saffon, DeJusticia, Colombia

Ariel Dulitzky, Inter-American Commission on Human Rights

Santiago Canton, Inter-American Commission on Human Rights

Gaston Chillier, Center for Legal and Social Studies (CELS)

Pablo Saavedra, Inter-American Human Rights Court

Moderator: Diego Rodríguez-Pinzón, Washington College of Law

Please feel free to join us for one or more of the panels.

GET INVOLVED WITH THE ACADEMY

There are different ways you can get involved with the Academy. Please see the In Search Of section for our current volunteer opportunities.

CENTER FOR HUMAN RIGHTS AND HUMANITARIAN LAW

LOOKING FOR INTERESTING HUMAN RIGHTS WORK?

THE CENTER IS SEEKING TWO 20 HR/WK SUMMER DEAN'S FELLOWS!

The Center is looking for two enthusiastic individuals to join our team this summer with the opportunity to continue into the Fall. The Dean's Fellows will provide support to our many fun events and interesting projects, including the Center Summer Picnic, the annual Human Rights Film Series, and other upcoming projects for the Fall. The Fellows will also assist with marketing Center events, managing the Center listserv, and helping to create innovative new programming. This is a great opportunity to get involved in human rights work at WCL. Attention to detail, organizational skills, familiarity with Microsoft Office programs and proven interest in human rights issues are essential. A 20hr/wk commitment is preferred, but not required. We are a fast-paced office, but we always have fun!

Note: Current 1L's are eligible to apply for the Summer 2007 position.

SIGN UP FOR THE CENTER'S LISTSERV!

For those of you that have not already signed up for the Center's list serve, please see instructions on how to join by visiting the Center's website at <http://www.wcl.american.edu/humright/center/listserv.cfm>.

UPCOMING EVENTS

**THE SOUTH ASIAN LAW STUDENTS ASSOCIATION (SALSA) AND THE CENTER FOR HUMAN RIGHTS PRESENT:
UNDERSTANDING HUMAN RIGHTS ISSUES IN SOUTH ASIA**

Come learn about existing human rights issues by South Asian activists. The first session focused on the building human rights crisis in Nepal with Dinesh Tripath, Former Advocate, Supreme Court of Nepal, discussed the conflict, the need for a new

constitution and the role of local activists and the international community in the peace building process. On March 6th, Sabira Qureshi will focus on women's issues including the debate in Pakistan on the Hudood Ordinances - a highly controversial and discriminatory piece of legislation which gave the women's movement its impetus and momentum when it was promulgated in the 1980s. Sabira Qureshi, a human rights and women's rights activist, has been part of the women's movement in Pakistan for more than two decades and was a member of the Pakistan National Commission on the Status of Women. The series will conclude with a screening of *Shame*, a documentary chronicling the events after Mukhtaran Mai was gang raped by a group of Pakistani men and made the decision not to be silent in shame but to press charges against her rapists. The film will be followed by a short discussion and a reception to conclude the series. Food will be served at each event. Please RSVP by emailing SALSA@wcl.american.edu. Co-sponsored by the South Asian Law Students' Association and the Center for Human Rights and Humanitarian Law.

Hudood Ki Hud: A report on Feminist Activism in Pakistan

Tuesday, March 6, 2007

Room 524 12:00 – 1:00 pm

Co-sponsored by Women's Law Association

Film Showing: Shame & Reception

Film followed by a discussion with the Director, Muhammad Naqvi (invited)

Friday, March 23, 2007

Room TBD 5:30 – 8:30 pm

TESTIFY TO REPRESSION: THE OAXACA DELEGATION REPORTS BACK

Wednesday, March 7, 4:00 -5:00 pm

Room TBD

Join members of the Oaxaca Delegation -- including Yesica Maya, President of the Liga Mexicana por la Defensa de los Derechos Humanos en Oaxaca, two professors, a student from UNAM, and five other lawyers -- to hear their extremely powerful stories of police repression and describe their testimony before the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights.

From December 17 through December 21, twenty individuals (including human rights lawyers, journalists, authors, investigators, graduate students, and activists) from the United States and Canada came together in Oaxaca out of concern for what appeared to be serious violations of human rights. Over the course of five days they met with a variety of Oaxacans who shared their experiences with us regarding violations of civil and human rights since June 14, 2006.

"Some were activists; others had simply been present during mass arrests. We heard numerous, highly credible accounts of beatings, psychological and physical abuse, intimidation, disappearances, killings and attempted murder perpetrated by the municipal, state and federal preventive police forces. Virtually every person who recounted their

experiences with the police began to cry while telling us what had occurred. There is no way to convey how deeply moving and profoundly disturbing it was to listen to these accounts. In addition, we were told of threats and attacks on lawyers who were engaged in representing victims as well as against organizations committed to the defense of human rights." --Report on the Human Rights Situation in Oaxaca, Mexico

Co-Sponsored by: National Lawyers Guild WCL Student Chapter, the WCL Center for Human Rights and Humanitarian Law, and the National Lawyers Guild International Committee

-- Refreshments & snacks provided --

RADICAL IDEAS IN HUMAN RIGHTS REFORM

Wednesday, March 7, 2007, 6:00-8:00 pm

Center for Human Rights, Large Conference Room, 4910 Massachusetts Avenue

Come learn about reforms in human rights by experienced LLM students as they teach mini-courses on various human rights law. Learn about international criminal defense from a former defense attorney with the International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda. Listen to a former JAG officer who adjudicated Iraqi claims made against U.S. forces talk about the application of reparations in international humanitarian law. Using the extraordinary experiences of our International Legal Studies Program (ILSP) students, we as a community can learn from each other. The courses will be 2-3 hour, not-for-credit seminars offered throughout the semester. Check the Center's listserv and the Docket for more information on how to receive sign-up materials.

Jean Degli will speak about his experience as defense counsel at the International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda (ICTR). He will discuss: "**The Equality of Arms: Genocide Trials Before the ICTR.**" The principle of the equality of arms is classified as a sub-principle of fairness, whereby the accuser and the accused must be treated equally before the law. What then is true equality of arms? Come join us as Jean discusses the challenges of defending accused war criminals at international tribunals.

KEEP ON MUNCHING WCL...

Want a little "taste" of human rights in the midst of studying civil procedure and torts? Join us for another great semester of Munching on Human Rights, an introductory program designed to educate and engage students, especially 1Ls, about basic issues in international human rights and humanitarian law. Held once a month, Munching gives you a great opportunity to informally interact with WCL's internationally-known faculty and get a "taste" of international law. Pizza will be served, so bring your interests and your appetite. Each session will be held from 12:00 pm—1:00 pm in WCL room 602.

Comparative Approaches to Enforcement of Human Rights:

India & the United States

Thursday, March 20, 2007

A Roadmap through the Regional Human Rights Systems

Wednesday, April 4, 2007

Professor Diego Rodriguez-Pinzón

CLINICAL PROGRAM

APPLYING TO CLINIC
ACADEMIC YEAR 2007-2008

GO TO

WWW.WCL.AMERICAN.EDU/CLINICAL

or stop by Room 417 with questions.

SMALL FACULTY HOSTED SESSIONS FOR SPECIFIC CLINICS

Tuesday, February 27 - Thursday, March 8

*We encourage you to attend these sessions to learn more about a specific clinic.
Dates and times for these meetings are available on the clinic website.
Sign up sheets are outside Room 415.*

SUBMITTING AN APPLICATION APPLICATION DUE FRIDAY, MARCH 9 AT 5:00 PM

APPLICATION IS AVAILABLE NOW AT
WWW.WCL.AMERICAN.EDU/CLINICAL

We are happy to announce that the clinic application process is underway. We wanted to remind students of the importance of attending a small group meeting for at Least one clinic that you plan to apply to prior to the application deadline of March 9. The Schedule for these meetings can be found outside room 415 and on the New, improved clinic website.

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

GUIDANCE SESSION ON SUMMER EXTERNSHIPS:

Finding an externship can be confusing and daunting. If you are interested in externing this summer, but need guidance in obtaining a position, we can help! Come to an informal information session with Avis Sanders, Externship Program Director on **Tuesday, March 6th from 12:00 – 1:00**, in the lounge outside of room 411. Session is brown-bag, but cookies will be provided.

LONG DISTANCE EXTERNSHIPS:

The **National Externship Program** makes it possible for students to extern in another state by participating in the Long-Distance Externship Seminar. For more information, visit our website at www.wcl.american.edu/externship/national.cfm. If you are planning on doing a **long-distance externship** over the summer, please contact the Externship office. When summer registration opens, you will need to register for the three credit, graded, long-distance seminar. This seminar will meet for three days at the start of the summer, and three days at the end of the summer.

INTERNATIONAL EXTERNSHIPS:

The Externship Program has developed an exciting and impressive International Database. Students interesting in externing abroad should review the database and make an appointment to meet with Avis Sanders, Externship Director. Go to our website (<https://www.wcl.american.edu/externship/externshipapp/>) and select *International Database* from the top left-hand menu. New international externships and international contacts include:

- EarthTrain (a U.S.-based NGO in Panama), Panama City, Panama
- The South African Human Rights Commission, Johannesburg, South Africa
- Center for Research-Action on Race Relations, Montreal, Canada.
- Government of Antigua and Barbuda Ministry of Justice and Legal Affairs, Antigua.

INDIVIDUAL EXTERNSHIP COUNSELING:

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

For more information, contact Meadow Wirick, Program Assistant, at (202) 274-4200 or externship@wcl.american.edu.

INTERNATIONAL ARBITRATION PROGRAM

Attention All Students Going Abroad Over Spring Break!

Would you like an opportunity to network with law faculty and attorneys while you are abroad and make some extra money at the same time?

Become a **WCL Ambassador and earn some extra spending money** promoting the WCL International Arbitration Program and the Summer Session on Environmental Law.

Your assignment will include arranging meetings with law schools, chambers of commerce, bar associations, and law firms in your home country and sharing information about upcoming activities. The number of meetings and contacts made will determine the amount of compensation you are eligible for as a result of your efforts.

If you are interested in supporting WCL programs, earning some money over spring break, and networking with attorneys back home – please submit your resume with a

short e-mail containing your contact information and where you will be going over spring break to arbitration@wcl.american.edu by Wednesday, March 7, 2007.

PENCE LAW 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. Current 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.

2007 SPRING BREAK HOURS March 9 to March 17

	Regular Library Hours	Extended Library Access Hours
Friday, March 9	8:00 am to 8:00 pm	None
Saturday, March 10	9:00 am to 9:00 pm	None
Sunday, March 11	10:00 am to 9:00 pm	None
Monday – Saturday, March 12 – 17	9:00 am to 9:00 pm	None

Regular Spring Hours resume on Sunday, March 18, 2007

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PROGRAM ON LAW AND GOVERNMENT

We need judges and bailiffs. The Marshall-Brennan Constitutional Literacy Project is hosting a moot court competition for the D.C. high school students in our program. We need 2L and 3L judges and 1L bailiffs on Saturday, March 10. We'll be here at WCL all day; you can help out for part of the day or all of the day. Just let us know what you can do. Please contact Steve Wermiel at swermiel@wcl.american.edu ASAP and let us know if you can help out

THE TIME IS NOW TO APPLY TO BE A MARSHALL-BRENNAN FELLOW!! The Marshall-Brennan Constitutional Literacy Project is now well into the process of choosing Marshall-Brennan Fellows for the 2007-2008 academic year. Fellows are WCL law students who teach courses in constitutional law and/or juvenile justice in public or public charter high schools in Washington, D.C. and in one Montgomery County, Maryland school. Fellows teach in teams for the entire academic year and are typically in class two or three times each week. In addition to the core curriculum, Fellows help their students prepare for a moot court competition, counsel them about college applications and the job market, and work with them on civic participation issues such as voter registration.

The application process involves several steps, leading to a competitive selection of approximately 50 WCL students. First-year students are eligible to apply as long as they will complete constitutional law before they start teaching in September, 2007. To apply, students will need to fill out an information form, then complete an application packet, visit a school and guest-teach a class for at least 30 minutes, and finally have an interview with Steve Wermiel who is associate director of the Marshall-Brennan Project. Most or all of this process must take place between now and the end of Spring Break. **WE ARE EXTENDING THE APPLICATION DEADLINE TO FRIDAY, MARCH 16.**

To find out more about what Marshall-Brennan is and how it works, and to learn more about the application process, you can visit Steve Wermiel in Room 515C, or send him questions at swermiel@wcl.american.edu or call him at 202-274-4263.

To request application materials and instructions, e-mail marshallbrennan@gmail.com and request an application packet or other details.

Ben Cotton Fellowship

The Program on Law and Government and the National Kidney Foundation of the National Capital Area ("NKF/NCA") sponsor the Ben Cotton Fellowship every year.

The Fellowship is a great opportunity for students interested in health policy and legislative work. The National Kidney Foundation seeks a Fellow for 2007-2009, to work 15-20 hours per week during the school year. The job will include the opportunity to write and present testimony on behalf of the NKF/NCA and to run the Foundation's Public Policy Committee. The Fellow will also be responsible for keeping abreast of all federal and state legislation in Maryland, Virginia, and Washington, D.C. that will affect kidney patients. Interested applicants should submit a cover letter and resume to Preston Englert at penglert@kidneywdc.org.

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.

Upcoming: On Friday, March 30th, **David Scheffer**, who served as the United States' first-ever Ambassador-at-Large for War Crimes Issues, will speak at Washington College of Law. His talk, **“Possibilities for Ratification of the Rome Statute by the United States”** will examine the U.S. position on the International Criminal Court in the context of recent developments. This event will be held at 11:00 am in WCL Room 601.

STUDENT BAR ASSOCIATION

The next SBA Senate meeting will be on Tuesday, March 6, 2007 at 10:10 PM in room 101. Any student or student organization that wishes to be on the agenda must e-mail Senate President Pro-Tempore Sum Mehrnama at smehrnama@yahoo.com no later than 6:30 PM on March 5. The email must include what you wish to address as well as a copy of any documents you wish to present at the meeting. SBA Senate meetings are open to the public, and all students are encouraged to attend.

SBA Executive Elections

NEXT WEEK!

This is your chance to vote for YOUR student leaders, the SBA President and Executive Vice-President. All JD students are strongly encouraged to vote! You have the option of voting electronically, or in-person at the lobby ballot box.

March 6th - Vote online (<http://www.wcl.american.edu/sba/elections/>)

March 7th & 8th - Vote in-person in the lobby

SBA Senate Elections - Coming up soon!

The Student Bar Association Senate elections will be held during the week of April 2nd. A mandatory meeting for interested Senate candidates will be held on Monday, March 19th at 10:10pm in the SBA Lounge on the 5th floor. If you would like to learn more

about the position of SBA Senator, email the SBA Director of Elections, Frank Gerratana, at sba-elections@dgne.com.

Administrative Law Review

Attention 1Ls: The Administrative Law Review invites you to participate in an open house this Monday, March 5th, from 12-1:30 in the ALR office (Suite 622). Staff members will be on hand to discuss Administrative Law and life on ALR, so be sure to take advantage of this opportunity before the Short Write On Competition begins! Pizza will be served.

Black Law Students Association*

Environmental Justice* & Brownfields Development Event. *WCL's Environmental Law Society (ELS) and Black Law Students Association (BLSA) are hosting a Discussion about Environmental Justice and Brownfields with the founder of Groundworks, USA, Vernice Miller-Travis. Ms. Miller-Travis has been a key figure in the Environmental Justice Movement having served as the Director of the Environmental Justice Initiative of the Natural Resources Defense Counsel and as the Waste and Facility Siting Subcommittee chair of the EPA's National Environmental Justice Advisory Council. Ms. Miller-Travis also helped draft the Small Business Liability Relief and Brownfields Redevelopment Act, passed by Congress in 2002. The discussion will shed light on the challenges for the Environmental Justice Movement in the United States and community-driven Brownfields revitalization. This event is ideal for any students interested in this intersection between Environmental law and Civil Rights, the environmental protection gap in the United States, and Brownfields Development. **Tuesday March 6 at Noon, Rm 401.** Non-Pizza lunch will be served. *(Environmental Justice refers to the fair treatment of people of all races, cultures, and incomes with respect to the development, adoption, implementation, and enforcement of environmental laws, regulations, and policies).

Christian Legal Society

"Christian Law Schools in America: A Threat to Academia?" Dean Jeffrey A. Brauch, Regent University Law School **Tuesday, March 6th 12-1pm Room 100**
Lunch will be provided!

Criminal Law Brief

The Criminal Law Brief is soliciting staff applications. All students with a strong interest in criminal law and related issues are invited to submit applications. Please download the staff application off the Criminal Law Brief website

<https://www.wcl.american.edu/journal/clb/>. The application form, resume, and a 3-5 page essay on criminal law should be placed in the Criminal Law Brief office #615 on the 6th Floor, in the box labeled "CLB Staff Applications". The deadline for applications is March 30th at 5pm. If you have any questions please email us at CrimLawBrief@wcl.american.edu

EJF

Auction

This year's Auction was a great success – thanks to all the people who put in many hours to make it the wonderful event that it was!

Volunteer Opportunities

Remember, it is not too late to get your volunteer hours in. Hours must be completed by March 22, 2007.

Date Auction

This year's Date Auction will take place Thursday, March 22, 2007 at Tom Toms in Adams Morgan. Possible "dates" will include skydiving, an equine ride to a picnic, and Wizards tickets, among others!

The event will begin at 9:00 pm, and the actual bidding will begin at 10:00 pm.

- For those of you volunteering for the Date Auction, please keep in mind the following:

- **Date Package Due Date: Friday, March 2.** This is this last day we can accept date packages, in order to prepare dates.
- Date Nominations Due: **Wednesday, March 7.**

If you've already found date packages **come to Date Auction Committee Office Hours** in the SBA lounge, 5th floor. Also come visit us to get your volunteer time log signed, ask questions, or pick up follow-up sheets, etc. Email us if you are unable to make any of these office hours.

- Tues. 2/27- 1-3:00pm (Mandie)
- Fri. 3/2- 10am-12pm (Jessica)

We'd appreciate you **finding and nominating students** willing to go on dates- the person must be willing to go on a "date/adventure/expedition" (which we will pass by them for approval before they are committed), willing to attend the March 22nd date auction at Tom Toms, willing to stand on stage and answer some questions (which we will also provide before the show). The student does *not* have to go on the "date/adventure/expedition" with the purpose or expectation of providing a "romantic" encounter for the purchaser. As has happened in years past, we encourage friends to bid on friends, females to bid on females, males to bid on males, etc. We encourage you to find/nominate students who are *comfortable* in a lively, bar atmosphere and those with ANY sexual orientation, race, religion, nationality, etc. We *emphasize*, the "date/adventure/expedition" is *not* meant or expected to be *romantic*.

- When you find the WCL student date, email jessicafarb@gmail.com with the student's name, year in law school (section if a 1L), and 2-3 sentences about the student (to determine how to match the person with the package). We will likely only take 1 person per 1L section. Then several 2Ls and 3Ls.

Other Opportunities

1. Calling all EJF volunteers for a new fundraising project! Our newest fundraising project is a WCL/EJF discount card that allows cardholders to get discounts to our

favorite local restaurants, stores, and hotspots. The more creative your ideas, the more successful the cards will be. If you need more hours, this is a great way to get involved and help us design a card, providing great discounts to our favorite places. If you would like to get involved in this project, please contact Rachel Weiner directly at RLauren414@aol.com.

NOTE: Volunteering with this project will satisfy your requirement for completing two volunteer hours with the Off-Campus Canvassing Committee – if you did not complete your two hour requirement prior to the auction, this is your last chance to complete these hours and therefore be eligible for the grant!

If you need us to sign off on various volunteer hours, please take your timesheet to the EJF slot (K3) in the SBA lounge, and drop the appropriate Executive Board member an email letting them know that your sheet is there.

2. The first EJF/PIPS Chocolate Bash will be Thursday, March 8, from 4-6, in the JD student lounge. Students and faculty who purchase a ticket will have unlimited chocolate tasting opportunities!

Tasks include:

- contacting school and community 'celebrities' about judging donated items
- contacting bakeries/chocolate shops about donating items
- contacting students about baking/cooking items
- contacting faculty about baking/cooking items
- logistics: having facilities set up the room
- asking dining to donate beverages and dishware
- tickets: getting them printed and organizing people to table/sell them
- advertising: Docket, easels, signs, emails

Please contact Jessica Gordon at jessicagordon7@yahoo.com.

Volunteer Timesheets

If you need us to sign off on various volunteer hours, please leave your timesheet to the EJF slot (K3) in the SBA lounge and drop an email to the appropriate Exec. Bd. member letting them know that it's in there and ready to be signed.

EJF Pre-Spring Break Chocolate Bash!

Ready for spring break? Next Thursday, March 8th, from 3:30 to 6 pm, EJF and PIPS are having a Chocolate Bash to celebrate! The 6th floor JD student lounge will be spread with chocolate desserts of all kinds, donated by students, faculty, staff, and local bakeries and chocolate shops. One ticket -- \$5 in advance and \$7 at the door -- will get you unlimited chocolate deliciousness. Tea, coffee, and milk will of course also be served.

To make this Bash all that it can be, we need donations! Homemade or store-bought, they must include chocolate. A homemade donation will earn the donor 1/2 hour of EJF credit. Homemade items can also be entered for judging by Dean Niles and local celebrities; prizes include gift certificates to local chocolate shops and bakeries. To sign up to donate, email chocolatebash@yahoo.com.

Immigrants' Rights Coalition

Civil Rights and Health Disparities: Eliminating Health Disparities in the U.S.

The Immigrants' Rights Coalition, Latino/a Law Students Association, and Health Law & Justice Initiative Proudly Present a panel discussion on eliminating health disparities in the United States from the legal, policy, and community activism perspective on **Tuesday, March 6, 2007 12– 1:20 p.m. in Room 602.**

Lunch Served. The civil rights era produced impressive and lasting results in eliminating disparities, yet substantial inequalities in health care remain. The failure to assure equal treatment and the persistence of more subtle forms of discrimination pose major challenges to current efforts to eliminate healthcare disparities. A panel of experts will discuss these issues and possible solutions to reduce health disparities in the United States. Featured Speakers are Bob Griss, Executive Director, Institute of Social Medicine and Community Health (ISMCH); Mara Youdelman, Staff Attorney, National Health Law Program (NHLP); Karyn Pomerantz, Research Scientist and Adjunct Instructor, Dept. of Prevention & Community Health, The George Washington University; and Margaret Farrell, Adjunct Professor of Health Law, The Washington College of Law. The panel will be moderated by Corrine Parver, Practitioner-in-Residence & Executive Director, Health Law Project, LL.M. Program on Law and Government at WCL.

Labor and Employment Law Society

Current Events in Labor Law: The Impact of the Kentucky River and Oakwood Healthcare Decisions Thursday, March 8th, 2007, 12pm-1pm in WCL Room 602

Panelists from the NLRB and law firms specializing in pro-employee and pro-management cases scheduled to attend. Lunch provided.

Lambda Law Society

Monday, March 5th, Lambda Law Society will be having a Meeting and Lobby Day Info. Session from 12:30PM - 1:30PM in WCL Room #402.

At this meeting, representatives of the Servicemembers Legal Defense Network will be attending to brief students on SLDN's Lobby Day, which will occur on Monday, March 26th. On Lobby Day, WCL students will be able to join law students and others from around the country in an effort to support recent legislation aimed at overturning "Don't Ask, Don't Tell" in the armed forces. We encourage ALL students to join us in telling Congress that discrimination in the military is wrong and should not be tolerated.

SLDN representatives at the meeting will be: Jill Raney, Grassroots Organizer; Emily Hetch, Staff Attorney; Aaron Tax, Staff Attorney.

We hope to see you on Monday and again on the 26th for Lobby Day!

National Lawyers Guild

A Revolution from the Bench? Screening of QUIET REVOLUTION

The National Lawyers Guild WCL Chapter and Alliance for Justice present **a screening and discussion of the documentary film QUIET REVOLUTION on Monday, March 5, from 12-12:50pm in Room 528.**

About the film: Over the past 25 years, an increasingly influential movement on the far right has waged a sustained war on the Constitution as we know it. Ultra-conservative politicians, judges, professors and activists would overturn decades of precedent to shred

the fabric of popular laws protecting workers, consumers and public health, expand executive power at the expense of basic civil liberties, and impose a narrow social agenda on the rest of the body politic.

Quiet Revolution traces the growth of the ultra-conservative movement, shines a light on its strategies, and breaks through its rhetoric to expose how it envisions reshaping American law and life. Speakers: Paul Edenfield, Senior Council, Alliance for Justice
http://www.afj.org/about_AFJ/leadership/collection/pedenfield.html?referrer_level_id=7314&ref_color=red&ref_name=about_AFJ&inform=1 Lanae Erickson, Dorot Fellow, Alliance for Justice --

http://www.afj.org/about_AFJ/leadership/collection/lerickson.html?referrer_level_id=7314&ref_color=red&ref_name=about_AFJ&inform=1 Lunch will be provided

***Bake Sale Fundraiser for the Oaxaca Delegation** WCL lobby, March 6th and 7th
Testify to Repression: The Oaxaca Delegation Reports Back March 7, 4-5pm
Room TBD

*Sponsored by: National Lawyers Guild WCL Student Chapter, the WCL Center for Human Rights and Humanitarian Law, and the National Lawyers Guild International Committee Join members of the Oaxaca Delegation -- including Yesica Maya, President of the Liga Mexicana por la Defensa de los Derechos Humanos en Oaxaca, two professors, a student from UNAM, and five other lawyers -- to hear their extremely powerful stories of police repression and describe their testimony before the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights.

From December 17 through December 21, twenty individuals (including human rights lawyers, journalists, authors, investigators, graduate students, and activists) from the United States and Canada came together in Oaxaca out of concern for what appeared to be serious violations of human rights. Over the course of five days they met with a variety of Oaxacans who shared their experiences with us regarding violations of civil and human rights since June 14, 2006.

"Some were activists; others had simply been present during mass arrests. We heard numerous, highly credible accounts of beatings, psychological and physical abuse, intimidation, disappearances, killings and attempted murder perpetrated by the municipal, state and federal preventive police forces. Virtually every person who recounted their experiences with the police began to cry while telling us what had occurred. There is no way to convey how deeply moving and profoundly disturbing it was to listen to these accounts. In addition, we were told of threats and attacks on lawyers who were engaged in representing victims as well as against organizations committed to the defense of human rights." -- Report on the Human Rights Situation in Oaxaca, Mexico

Refreshments & snacks provided –

Moot Court Honor Society

Congratulations to the new members of the 2007-2008 Moot Court Honor Society who earned a spot on the team by competing in the Spring Qualifying Tournament last weekend!

Jason Baum; Mallori Browne; Adam Caudle; Victoria Chou; David Curtiss; Scott Daniel Erica Finkelson; Claudia Hartleben; Jay Hess; Sabrina Jawed; Suriya Jayanti; Ryan Juliano; Thomas Kennedy; Alex Kwon; Natasha Mikha; Steven Neeley; Christine

O'Neill; Neil Pandey-Jorin; John Porrazza; Jonathan Reiner; Kelly Robreno; Andrew Rodgers; Michael Schwartz; Solomon Shinerock; Meaghan Shirk; Art Steele; Alisa Tschorke; Paul Valentine; Leaf Williams; Allison Ziegler

Poverty Law Society

Mark your calendars! The Poverty Law Society (PLS) will have its annual **general meeting** on **March 21st** to elect officers for the coming year! (Room and time TBA). All those interested-- whether you're a member currently or not-- are welcome to attend and run for office! We're looking for dedicated, passionate, nice folks who believe in the goals of the PLS, and who have an appreciation for the importance of the field of poverty law and for the role of lawyers helping to solve the struggles of poverty. If you're interested in running for office or in learning more, please contact Mary Ashby Brown (mashbybrown@yahoo.com), Amy Engstrom (ae3350a@american.edu) or Renee Gerni (rgerni@gmail.com) to let us know. Thank you!

South Asian Law Students Association

Please see event cosponsored with the Center for Human Rights and Humanitarian Law under "upcoming events".

In addition

Film Showing: Shame & Reception Film followed by a discussion with the Director, Muhammad Naqvi (invited) Friday, March 23, 2007

Room TBD 5:30 – 8:30 pm In 2002, in a remote village in Pakistan, 30-year-old Mukhtaran Mai's life changed forever when the tribal council sanctioned a punishment against her for a crime allegedly committed by her younger brother. Following the custom of "honour for honour", Mai was gang-raped and then publicly paraded as an example. Normally the only recourse for such a woman would be suicide. Instead, Mai sought justice and shook Pakistan's decaying judicial system to the core. The international press and human rights organizations turned her case into a cause célèbre. The Pakistani government eventually paid her reparations, which she invested in a school to give local children the education she never had – even the children of her attackers were enrolled. She was flown around the world to receive awards and speak on women's rights. In this outstanding documentary, director Mohammed Naqvi presents the astonishing spirit, resilience and self-belief that sustained Mai through her incredible journey. MOHAMMED NAQVI was born in 1979 in Montreal, Canada. He ran his own off-Broadway production company in New York. In 2003 he made the award-winning documentary *Terror's Children*, which launched the Discovery Times Channel. He is the youngest winner of the prestigious Overseas Press Club of America's Carl Spielvogel Award. He was producer on the narrative feature *Big River* (2006). *Shame* is his first feature documentary

WCL DEMS

General Meeting What: WCL Dems General Body Meeting Where: RM 501 When: Tuesday, 3/6 at 12 Come out to the WCL Dems next general meeting. We will be discussing several important projects for the remainder of this year. Give your input on our upcoming Presidential Primary Debate Panel, fundraising for our organization and other leadership positions that we are looking to fill. This is a great way to get involved with our organization!

Also, don't forget to sign up on TWEN for WCL DEMS to stay on top of the latest news and events the DEMS are putting on!

Women's Law Association

The Women's Law Association In conjunction with the National Association of Women Judges District 4 "From Clerking for a Judge to Becoming One" Join us for wine, cheese, and an open discussion about what it is like to work for a Judge, and planning ahead to become a Judge in the future. WHEN: March 5, 2007 WHERE: Room 600 TIME: 6:30-8:30 p.m. (**Note Time Change**) The event will feature several judges, including: Hon. Jean Baron, District Court of Maryland, Prince George's County; Hon. Charles Adkins-Blanch, Immigration Judge; Hon. Joan Churchill, Board of Immigration Appeals (Ret.) and NAWJ District 4 Director; Hon. Arline Pacht, ALJ (Ret.) and former President of the International Association of Women Judges; Hon. Annabelle Teal, DC Office of Administrative Hearings.
Questions? Contact Cristina Silva at cristina.silva@american.edu

IN SEARCH OF

Integrated Curriculum Seeks Deans Fellows for 2007-2008 The Integrated Curriculum (IC) program is now accepting applications from students interested in serving as IC Deans Fellows for the 2007-2008 Academic Year. The IC presents first-year courses in ways that allow students to see the connections between subjects traditionally taught as unrelated units. The approach is inspired by the recognition that real client problems almost never concern just one area of law, but instead require lawyers to use knowledge from several, interrelated areas of law.

The IC Deans Fellows are a team of upper level students who are available to first-year students as a resource and for advice. Deans Fellows also assist first-year professors in organizing IC events and other special activities. If you are interested in being considered for a Deans' Fellow position for the 2007-2008 Academic Year, please drop off a hard copy of your transcript and resume with a cover letter to Professor Popper who is the program director in Room 414 by Monday March 19th at 5pm. For more information please email Kelli.Lozier@american.edu .

Professor Guttman is looking for a Research Assistant for the Summer 2007 and for the Fall Semester of 2007 and Spring Semester 2008. Students interested in commercial law and securities law, specifically UCC-Article 8 as developed in his treatise on Modern Security Transfers and having strong research skills are invited to apply. Summer Dean's Fellows will be compensated in accordance with the amount authorized by the Dean. The Fall and Spring Semester work will lead to tuition reduction. The Student[s] will work a total of twenty (20) hours per week. Professor Guttman will also consider students wishing to work for 10 hours per week. Please submit your resume, a copy of your transcript, a writing sample and a cover letter to Professor Guttman's mailbox in room 465 or to his Administrative Assistant, Carolyn Wright, in room 325.

The Clinical Program is seeking a Dean's Fellows who speaks Spanish and/or French (but primarily a Spanish speaker is 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 position is for 10 hours 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 yamat@wcl.american.edu. Full time first year students are not eligible. Full time 2Ls or 3Ls who have an outside job of 20 hours are also not eligible to apply.

The Clinical Program is seeking volunteers to assist student attorneys with interpretation/translation and simulation role playing. If you would like to be available as a volunteer in the clinic, please see Maribel Yamat in Room 417 to fill out the appropriate forms. If you have questions, you can contact her at myamat@wcl.american.edu or stop by Room 417. You may be able to receive credit for pro bono service with the public interest program.

The International Human Rights Law Clinic is now accepting applications from students interested in working as legal interns for the summer. These positions are paid by the hour, and usually consist of a 10-week commitment on either a full-time (40 hours/week) or part-time (20 hours/week) basis. A longer commitment may also be arranged. We are looking for someone who can begin on May 21, 2007, and someone who is available to work through the end of the summer (Aug. 20, 2007). Over the summer, legal interns work under the supervision of the Clinic faculty and are responsible for maintaining the Clinic's case load, comprised of asylum, international human rights, and immigrants' rights cases. In addition, the legal interns will be expected to update files and provide assistance in preparing for the next academic year. Because of the work required over the summer, international human rights and/or immigrants' rights practice experience is preferred, as is foreign-language fluency (esp. Spanish and French). Preference is given to rising 3Ls, but all are encouraged to apply. Please submit resume and cover letter to Maribel Yamat in the Clinic Office, Room 417, by Friday, March 30, 2007.

Attention 1Ls and 2Ls: Want to become more involved? Sign up for the **Student Giving Campaign Committee** Contact Jamie Jennings in the Office of Development and Alumni Relations for more information 202.274.4056 or jamiej@wcl.american.edu

Academy on Human Rights and Humanitarian Law **VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES**
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 host an awesome Salsa-dancing party!

- Volunteers are needed to communicate with participants, recruit judges, 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 Kristin Viken, Competition Coordinator, 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.

Oxford University Press Project The Academy on Human Rights and Humanitarian Law is looking for self-motivated WCL students, interested in collaborating with 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 summarize and translate 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 widen the 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 digest1@wcl.american.edu indicating “Oxford Volunteer Spring 2007” in the subject line.

ADDITIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

EXTERNSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Due to the time required to obtain a security clearance for students working at an externship with the SEC, CFTC and Department of State the closing date for students wishing to participate at an externship at those agencies during the Fall 2007 Semester is April 1, 2007 by 5:00p.m. However, the agencies have indicated that they will be reviewing applications on a running time from February 1, 2007 through April 9, 2007. Please apply as soon as possible. It is likely that applications received after March 31st may find that all positions have been filled.

C.F.T.C. Field Component-Law 785

Students who will have completed Business Associations and Securities Regulation by the end of the Spring semester of 2007 or who, having completed Business Associations by the end of the Spring semester 2007 and will be enrolling in Securities Regulations for the Fall 2007 Semester, are eligible to participate in a Field Component at the Commodity Futures Trading Commission. Students will have also to enroll in the in the Seminar on **Derivatives**. Please submit your resume, a copy of your transcript, a list of subjects you intent to take in the Fall 2007 Semester, a writing sample and a cover letter by 5:30 p.m. February 1 thru March 31st 2007 to Professor Guttman=s mailbox in room 465 or to Carolyn Wright, his Sr. Legal Assistant in room 325. Two hundred and ten (210) hours of working with a staff attorney or Administrative Law Judge at the Commission will earn three credits. There will also be a meeting with Professor Guttman on Tuesday of every second week, between 12:00 – 2:00 p.m. (Exact time to be arranged)

S.E.C. Student Observers Program (Field Component)-Law 784

I would like to draw the attention of students who have completed Securities Regulation or are going to complete this course by the end of the Spring Semester 2007, that students so qualified can apply for participation for a **minimum of three credits in the Field Component- S.E.C. Student Observers Program** at the Securities and Exchange Commission for the Fall 2007 semester. [Law-784] Students will be expected to work a minimum of two hundred and ten hours (210) with an attorney on the staff of the Commission and will have to attend approximately nine seminars given by Commissioners, staff and outside counsel. (These meetings usually take place on a Wednesday from 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.) Students participating in this Student Observers Program also will have to enroll in an advanced securities law seminar, such as Regulation of Securities Markets, Mergers and Acquisitions, Seminar on Derivatives, etc. which enables students to earn additional credits.

Students should submit their resume, a copy of their transcript, a writing sample and a cover letter by 5:30 p.m. February 1 thru March 31st 2007. Please submit your applications promptly as the SEC will consider admissions to the Student Observers Program as soon as received. Interested applicants should submit this information to Professor Guttman's mailbox in room 465 or to Carolyn Wright his Sr. Legal Assistant in room 325. During the semester students will be meeting with Professor Guttman to discuss recent developments in securities law every other week on Tuesdays between 12:00 – 2:00 p.m.(Exact time to be arranged)

U.S. Department of State Office of the Legal Adviser

Applications are invited for a student internship at the Department of State Office of the Legal Adviser. The work involves 210 to 280 hours over the Fall 2007 semester and enables a student to earn up to six credits. (At seventy hours of work per credit). Areas under consideration by the Department include subjects in the fields of Diplomatic Law, Law Enforcement, Human Rights & Refugees Laws, Economic & Business Laws, etc. Students having an interest in these areas, as shown by the courses and seminars they have taken or intend to take by the end of the Spring 2007 semester should submit a resume, a copy of their transcript, a writing sample and a cover letter by 5:30 p.m. February 1 thru March 31st 2007. Interested applicants should submit this information to Professor Guttman's mailbox in room 465 or to Carolyn Wright his Sr. Legal Assistant in room 325. Students in this externship will be meeting with Professor Guttman every other week for one hour.

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.

Honor Those Who Serve- Become involved with an important area of the law that serves those who serve our country. Join the U.S. Court of Appeals for Veterans Claims Bar Association. Student Membership is only \$25.

Members are encouraged to attend bar events including a "Meet the Judges" series, a law clerk symposium, and a bi-annual judicial conference.

For more information and an application to join go to: <http://www.cavcbar.net>

Table Talk Lunch Series Thursday, March 8th 12:00 PM Lunch & 12:20 Discussion
Kay Spiritual Life Center Lounge, American University. Iraq: To Surge or Not To Surge? Speakers: Mackenzie Eaglen, Senior Policy Analyst for National Security, The Heritage Foundation; Caleb Rossiter Professor, School of International Service
American University Buffet lunch will be provided or you may bring your own. Donation of \$5 each is requested from faculty, staff, and community members to help offset the cost of the program. Free to students. Reservations required. Please RSVP at 202-885-3321 or email kslc@american.edu by Tuesday, March 6th Sponsored by the Office of the University Chaplain

The Office of the University Chaplain presents: **Parapolitics and Human Rights in Colombia: An Evening with Senator Gustavo Petro Wednesday, March 7 5:30 PM**
The Kay Spiritual Life Center Chapel Gustavo Petro has been particularly well-known for his role documenting and uncovering, in recent years, the connection between paramilitaries and figures in government, an issue that has been at the forefront of the day-to-day debate in Colombia in recent months; has been one of the top vote-getters in the last few congressional elections.

APABA-DC Women's Forum Preserving Affordable Housing: Why it Matters to the APA Community & the Legal Tools Available The need for affordable housing is an issue that affects all segments of population.

Come join us in discussing the need for affordable housing in the APA community, and how we, as lawyers, can become involved in the effort to preserve affordable housing in our neighborhoods. Panelists: Lisa Hasegawa, Executive Director, National Coalition for Asian Pacific American Community Development (National CAPACD); Christopher J. Anderson, Manager, Single Family Housing Programs, Montgomery County Department of Housing and Community Affairs; Richard C. Eisen, Esq., partner at the law firm of Eisen & Rome, P.C. Kyrus L. Freeman, Esq., associate attorney at Holland & Knight and Chair of the Land Use Committee of the D.C. Bar's Real Estate, Housing, and Land Use Section Sponsor: APABA-DC Women's Forum Location: Greenberg Traurig, 800 Connecticut Avenue, N.W., Suite 500 Washington, D.C. 20006.

Closest metro stops: Farragut West - Exit at 17th Street, N.W. or Farragut North - Exit at K Street, N.W. Everyone is welcome! Refreshments and food will be provided. There is no charge for the event. When: **Wednesday, March 14, 2007 6:30 pm – 8:00pm**

Contact: Please RSVP to Elizabeth Lee at womensforum@apaba-dc.org by March 12, 2007. If you are interested in becoming involved with the APABA-DC Women's Forum, please contact Elizabeth Lee and Rosy Lor at womensforum@apaba-dc.org. For more information about APABA-DC, visit <http://www.apaba-dc.org>.

THERE ARE STILL SPOTS AVAILABLE. HURRY UP!!!!
LEARN LAW IN LATIN AMERICA
SUMMER LAW PROGRAM IN CHILE AND ARGENTINA
June 4-July 4, 2007

COURSES:

- **Legal Aspects of Trade and Investment in Latin America**
- **Comparative Legal Perspectives on Social Problems**

*****All classes taught in English by Chilean and Argentine law professors and experts in the field of study*****

ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES:

- **Site visits to the Supreme Court, Congress, Government House, law firms in Chile and Argentina,**
- **Networking luncheons and dinners with Chilean and Argentine practitioners and policy makers.**
- **Meetings with Chilean judges.**

TIME TO HAVE FUN:

- **One week in Buenos Aires, Argentina**
- **Weekend in the beach resort of Viña del Mar in Chile**
- **Ski trip to the Andes Mountains**
- **Time to learn or practice Spanish**

More information in <http://wcl.american.edu/chile/> or contact Macarena Sáez at (202) 274-4388 or at msaez@wcl.american.edu

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An indispensable experience for today's lawyer!

The 13th Europe Comparative Law Program offers a unique opportunity to study international economic law, human rights and environmental law in world-class cities and to become acquainted with important international organizations, their work, and careers abroad..

When: June 9-July 8, 2007

Where: London (1 week), Brussels (2 nights), Paris (12 days), Geneva (7 days)

How many credits: Six

Who can participate: J.D. and LL.M. students

Cost: the cost of 6 credits: \$7,644 which includes in addition, hotel (shared room), breakfast daily, medical and accident insurance, some meals, some transfers, some sightseeing, some materials, and three festive celebrations.

Courses: International Economic Law (mandatory); choice between Human Rights and Environmental law Seminars & briefings at WTO, OECD, European Union, Intl. Court of Arbitration, U.N. agencies in Geneva, Clifford Chance, courts and Inner Temple in London, Supreme Court in Paris, and more!

Faculty: WCL professors including Dean Grossman!

Hotel: apartment hotels with kitchen in London and Paris, top hotels in Brussels and Geneva; all in very central locations

You are responsible for: airfare, train travel, daily expenses (metro, food, phone etc.)

Total estimated cost: \$10,000

Financial aid: apply for summer financial aid at WCL Financial Aid Office. Also six \$500 scholarships.

Language of instruction: English

More information, application form: www.wcl.american.edu/parisgeneva

Ask questions: Emilio Viano available every Tuesday & Thursday, 11.30-12:30, 6th floor lounge (look for brochure on desk) or write to eurolaw@american.edu.

When to apply: as soon as possible to guarantee yourself a seat. You can withdraw without explanation or penalty until April 2, 2007

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>

UPCOMING PROGRAMS, DATES & DEADLINES & IMPORTANT REMINDERS

Mintz Levin interview Workshop for First Year Law Students. Mintz Levin would like to invite you, as a first year law student, to participate in their annual Interview Workshop. This Workshop will provide you the opportunity to visit their offices and to learn about the recruiting and interviewing processes from expert panelists. The panel presentation will take place in Mintz' DC office and will be followed by a cocktail reception where you can mingle with our colleagues and your fellow law students in the DC area.

To sign up for this event, please e-mail Margo Adams at mbadams@mintz.com as soon as possible but **NO LATER** than March 16, 2007. Please send Margo a copy of your resume and please reference the interview workshop in the subject line of your e-mail.

SUMMER EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY FOR 2L's

Mid-sized litigation law firm located in Baltimore is seeking a second-year student for a **law clerk** position. Part-time (10 to 20 hours/week). Firm offers competitive compensation and the opportunity to learn a tremendous amount in a friendly, casual firm setting. Candidates should have strong academic background, solid research/writing skills and a desire to learn more about complex plaintiffs' litigation in a fast-paced setting. In addition to research, job duties may include case preparation and investigation. For immediate consideration, please fax your resume (including GPA and/or rank) to Human Resources at 214-777-0491. Be sure to note reference code BARE-0207 on correspondence. No phone calls please. EOE.

Introducing the new Student-to-Student Mentor Database

This comprehensive resource contains information about summer positions held by 2L and 3L WCL students with employers ranging from government agencies to international organizations and private law firms, among others. The database is available to students during individual counseling appointments with an OCPD career counselor, or by contacting Resources Coordinator, Robin Fulton at rfulton@wcl.american.edu. A great networking tool and summer job search resource!

**THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA BAR presents a Brown Bag Program
MENTORING: Lawyer Professional Advancement**

sponsored by:

Law Practice Management Section; Administrative Law and Agency Practice Section; Corporation Finance and Securities Law Section; Environment, Energy and Natural Resources Section; Real Estate, Housing and Land Use Section Labor and Employment Law Section; Intellectual Property Law Section; Antitrust and Consumer Law Section; International Law Section; Health Law Section; Litigation Section; Taxation Section; University of Baltimore School of Law; American University, Washington College of Law; The George Washington University Law School; University of the District of Columbia David A. Clarke School of Law

Effective mentoring plays a critical role in lawyer professional advancement. Get practical guidance on how to develop strong workplace relationships, well designed mentoring programs, and training in mentoring skills. Attendees will gain valuable insight and learn from the experts on the following topics:

- The connection between mentoring and retention of talented professionals
- The keys to developing a successful mentor program
- The roles and responsibilities of mentors and mentees
- Building a network of mentors
- How employers can develop a mentoring culture

Speakers: Ida Abbott, Esq.

Consultant and Author,
Ida Abbott Consulting

Caren Stacy

Director of Professional Development
Arnold & Porter, Washington DC

Rena Cervoni & Jeanne Svihart

Assistant Directors
Office of Attorney Recruitment and Management
U.S. Department of Justice

Moderator: James Sandman, Esq.

D.C. Bar President and Senior Partner
Arnold & Porter, Washington D.C.

Date /Time: Tuesday, April 10, 2007 / 12:00 pm - 2:00 pm

Location: D.C. Bar Conference Center, 1250 H Street NW (Metro Center)

Cost: \$10.00 Law Students (**Please bring your lunch.**)

Please stop by OCPD in Suite 122 for a registration form if you plan to attend.

PUBLIC INTEREST & GOVERNMENT

Attention 3Ls: Federal Communications Commission Seeking Applicants for 2007

Attorney Honors Program: The FCC is seeking graduating law students with excellent academic credentials and an interest in communication law. The Honors Program

introduces law school graduates to the field of communications and the work of the FCC. Honors Program attorneys will participate in federal administrative practice as it relates to the FCC's oversight of television, radio, cable, wireless, wireline, satellite and other communications, and will benefit from special training and career-development opportunities. **Applications are due on March 21, 2007.** Please see eCampus for complete posting. Additional information is available at www.fcc.gov/attorneyhonorsprogram.

Summer Internship with the Kachin Women's Association in Thailand (KWAT): Spend a unique summer in Northern Thailand working to help Kachin refugee women in their efforts to improve the rights and health of ethnic Kachin women in Thailand and Burma. KWAT is a grassroots NGO composed of ethnic Kachin women (an ethnic minority in Burma) who are living in refugee camps in Northern Thailand. KWAT is seeking law students with an interest in reproductive/sexual rights and health, human rights, democracy, and grassroots women's organizing. **Applications are due by March 11, 2007.** Please see eCampus for more complete posting.

JUDICIAL CLERKSHIPS & INTERNSHIPS

ATTENTION 3Ls/4Ls:

It's not too late to apply for some state court clerkships! If you have not met with Shelley Rudge, Judicial Clerkship Coordinator:

- Call (202-274-4251) or email (serudge@wcl.american.edu) to schedule an individual appointment; and
- Remember that judge-specific hiring information for many states is listed within the "Judicial Clerkship" section of eCampus. Postings have recently been updated through direct calls to chambers, so be sure to check this resource.

ATTENTION 2Ls:

Do you want to finish your post-graduate job search this spring?

Some judges on the Maryland Court of Appeals, Maryland Court of Special Appeals, Virginia Supreme Court, Oregon Supreme Court, and Oregon Court of Appeals are now accepting applications for the 2008 term. Check the "Judicial Clerkship" section of eCampusRecruiter for more information (you will see "**2008 position**" in the job title line).

Planning to apply for judicial clerkships for the 2008 term?

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

Monday, March 26 (12-1 p.m.) - Room 504

Tuesday, March 27 (12-1 p.m.) - Room 504

Wednesday, April 4 (12-1 p.m.) - Room 501

Tuesday, April 10 (5-6 p.m.) - Room 501

KEY RESOURCES:

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

SAVE THE DATE: Robert E. Wone Annual Judicial Clerkship & Internship Conference: Saturday, March 24, 2007 at Howard University Law School (2900 Van Ness Street, NW, Washington, DC 20008). Please check eCampusRecruiter for more details.

GWAC's 21st Annual Ruth R. Banks Green Legal Intern Placement Program (LIPP): The Greater Washington Area Chapter, Women Lawyers Division of the National Bar Association (GWAC) instituted the Legal Intern Placement Program (LIPP) in order to procure challenging summer employment opportunities for minority law students. GWAC places law students entering their second or third year of law school in legal internships with various cooperating employers in the District of Columbia metropolitan area. LIPP employers include solo practitioners, law firms, not-for-profit corporations, government agencies, trade associations and unions. The usual term of employment is ten (10) forty (40) hour weeks. The beginning and ending dates are mutually agreed upon between the employer and the intern. If you are interested in applying for the LIPP, please see eCampusRecruiter for information on how to apply.

*****ATTENTION 1Ls*****

Miller & Chevalier Minority Fellowship: The Miller & Chevalier Minority Fellowship will be awarded to one or two Fellows hired for the **fall semester of 2007**. Fellows will work at the Firm on substantive legal matters (similar to summer associate projects) in one of the Firm’s three main practice areas. Fellows will work approximately **15 hours**

per week, and will be paid at the rate of **\$50 per hour**. The purpose of the Fellowship is to supplement the Firm's summer associate program by allowing additional minority students at local law schools an opportunity to work at Miller & Chevalier. The Firm anticipates that Fellows whose work meets the Firm's standards will be offered positions as summer associates or permanent associates. The online application must be completed by **Saturday, April 7, 2007**. Please see eCampusRecruiter for more details.

For more information on Diversity Initiatives, please visit www.ecampusrecruiter.com/auwcl and search under "Job Search"/ "Summer Full-Time" for fellowships and scholarships; or search under "Interviews & Events" for job fairs, receptions and other networking opportunities.

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR LL.M. STUDENTS
FROM ADRIANA VITO, ASSISTANT DIRECTOR FOR INTERNATIONAL CAREER
PROGRAMS

Let's Talk About Africa! – Lunch discussion
Tuesday, March 6, 2007 at 12:00pm – Room 504

OCPD and ILSP invite you to discuss current legal trends and issues in Africa. Practicing attorneys and professionals from the DC area will attend this lunch session to provide students and alumni with an insight about their practice areas and discuss how their work relates to the region. WCL students and alumni are invited. RSVP is mandatory for this session. *Lunch will be served.* To sign up, please send an email to Adriana Vito at avito@wcl.american.edu and include your country of origin and area of specialization. **Registration closes by 6:00pm on Friday, March 2, 2007.** Seating is limited. Sign up early to guarantee your attendance!

Speakers: Daniel Anagho, President/ CEO, African Investment Corporation (confirmed), Dapo A. Otunla, Associate, King & Spalding LLP (confirmed), Nnamdi Kalu Ezera, Senior Attorney and Program Manager, Commercial Law Development Program, U.S. Department of Commerce (confirmed), Ngozi Njemanze, Legal Associate from Nigeria, World Bank, Christine Makori, Legal Associate from Kenia, World Bank, Dawn Mpati, Legal Associate from South Africa, World Bank,
I look forward to seeing all of you there next week!

General Reminders for Foreign LL.M. Students:

I am available to meet with you for resume and cover letter review and to answer your job search questions. **You are required to attend a Basic Resume and Cover Letter Writing Workshop before meeting with me** for an individual counseling appointment. To schedule an appointment, please contact the OCPD front desk at (202) 274-4090 or stop by Suite 122. After obtaining an appointment with our front desk, please make sure you send me an email with your resume and/ or cover letter at least 48 hours prior to your appointment. My email address is avito@wcl.american.edu . Also, you may include information about your career goals in your email message. This information will help me better evaluate your needs and help you in a personalized manner.

Drop-in Hours for Foreign LL.M. Students:

I am also available to meet with you during my drop-in hours. Drop-in hours are designed for questions that require short discussion, usually 10 minutes or less. If you have a quick question to ask regarding your career development, job applications or resume and cover letter, please stop by our office in suite 122 during the following hours:

Tuesdays: from 3:00pm to 4:00pm

Thursdays: from 11:00am to 12:00pm

Students don't need an appointment to stop by during drop-in hours. Please keep in mind that issues that take longer than 10 minutes to resolve deserve a full counseling session by appointment and cannot be addressed during drop-in hours.

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)

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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Public Interest and Government

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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 March 5

Monday, March 5

12-1:30, Suite 622, The Administrative Law Review open house

12-12:50pm, Rm 528, a screening and discussion of the documentary film Quiet Revolution

12:30-1:30pm, Rm 402, Lambda Law Society Meeting and Lobby Day Info. Session

6:30-8:30 pm, Rm 600, Women’s Law Association on “From Clerking for a Judge to Becoming One”

Tuesday, March 6

8am–6pm, Rm 603, Reparations in the Inter-American System: A Comparative Approach

12pm, Rm 504, LL.M. Event: Let’s Talk About Africa! Lunch discussion

12pm, Rm 401, Environmental Justice* & Brownfields Development Event

12-1pm, Rm 601, Hudood ki Hud: A report on Feminist Activism in Pakistan

12pm, Rm 501, WCL Dems General Body Meeting

12-1:20pm, Rm 602, Civil Rights and Health Disparities

12-1pm, Rm 100, "Christian Law Schools in America: A Threat to Academia?"

Wednesday, March 7

3:30-9 pm, Rm 603, Tenth Annual Hispanic Law Conference--“The Voice of the Latino/a Lawyer: Accomplishments and Challenges

4-5pm, rizvi.sakina@gmail.com, The Oaxaca Delegation Reports Back

Thursday, March 8

8:30am–5pm, Rm 603, Assisting Law Students with Disabilities in the 21st Century: Brass Tacks

12-1pm, Rm 602, Current Events in Labor Law: The Impact of the Kentucky River and Oakwood Healthcare Decisions

3:30-6pm, 6th fl JD Inge., EJF & PIPS Chocolate Bash!

6-8pm, 4910 Mass Ave, The Equality of Arms: Genocide Trials Before the ICTR

6-8pm, Rm 603, “David & Goliath” Negotiating Free Trade Agreements with the United States

5pm, Dean’s Suite, Prof. Andrew Popper Reception and Book Signing *Bordering on Madness: An American Land Use Tale*

Friday, March 9

9am-5:15pm, Rm 603, Second Annual Meeting on Human Rights Law