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OFFICE OF THE REGISTRAR

E-mail: registrar@wcl.american.edu

REGISTRAR'S OFFICE HOURS

Mon., Wed., Thurs.	9:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.
Tuesday	9:00 a.m. – 6:30 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.

NOTICE ON HOLIDAY CLOSINGS: The next holiday is Yom Kippur, which is Thursday, October 9. Classes will be cancelled, but administrative offices will be open.

ATTENTION PROSPECTIVE DECEMBER GRADUATES: If you plan to graduate in December 2008, please complete an Application to Graduate no later than Oct. 10, 2008. Applications are available in the Registrar's Office, Suite 304, or on-line at: <http://www.wcl.american.edu/registrar/grad.cfm>.

ANONYMOUS GRADING NUMBERS: All students must use anonymous grading numbers, and not names, on all school examinations. These are available on: <https://my.american.edu/>, under Personal Links at the bottom (WCL Anonymous Grading Number).

SPRING 2008 and SUMMER 2008 EXAMS AVAILABLE FOR PICK-UP For those professors who have returned their exams for spring 2008 and summer 2008 to our office, these exams/papers are now available for pick-up during office hours. Exams are filed by anonymous grading number (for that semester) under the name of the instructor and are in cabinets and drawers in the office. A listing of all available exams is posted for review.

OFFICE OF STUDENT SERVICES

Worried about the bar exam? Not sure what one to take? Want some advice on filling out the application or study strategies? Want to know about waiving into the DC bar? If so, Academic Advisor, Laura Hartz, welcomes you to schedule a one on one meeting to discuss these issues. Regular office hours are from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm Monday through Friday. Evening hours will be established for part-time students with an interest in bar counseling. Call Laura at 274-4031 or send her an email at lhartz@american.edu to set up a time to meet.

Lunch with the Dean!

The Fall series of lunch meetings with Dean Claudio Grossman continues on **Tuesday, November 25 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.

ADA Accommodations

Washington College of Law students with permanent or temporary disabilities may need special accommodations to facilitate their study of the law. If you are such a student and have documentation of your disability, and have not already self identified previously, please consider doing so. Of course, you are not required to disclose your disability or request an accommodation if you do not wish to do so.

It is the law school's desire to identify entering students with disabilities before the Fall semester begins in order to review information and documentation, determine appropriate accommodations, and provide those accommodations in a timely fashion. It is also the law school's desire to urge students with disabilities to come forward at the start of their legal education to learn if they will receive accommodations. We say this because many state boards of bar examiners are reluctant to provide accommodations when taking bar examinations if an applicant first seeks accommodations when taking a bar examination. A record of receiving accommodations in law school will be helpful in such cases.

Your privacy will be protected. Please do not hesitate to call if you have any questions or need more information. You may contact the Senior Academic Counselor, Laura Hartz, at 202-274-4031; lhartz@wcl.american.edu. **You are advised to submit your documentation as soon as possible.**

WCL Business Cards

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

Scholarship Opportunities

The Offices of Student Affairs and Financial Aid are pleased to announce the release of the most comprehensive collection of outside scholarship available to law students.

Culled from a number of sources during the summer session, there are presently more than 400 scholarships available, based on a number of factors and ranging from \$500 to \$50,000. Students can find the information at <http://www.wcl.american.edu/outsidescholarships/> and in hard copy outside the Office of Student Affairs, suite 300.

Please take advantage of the opportunities these scholarships offer, and let us know when you are successful!

OFFICE OF DIVERSITY SERVICES

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

Diversity Services Listserv—To join, send an e-mail to sweaver@wcl.american.edu with “DS Listserv” as the subject. You’ll receive between-Docket information as it becomes available.

Friday, October 3—Noon-2:00PM—Room 600—2nd Annual BLSA Faculty/Staff Day – BLSA and members of the African-American faculty and staff present a potluck luncheon and a brief introduction-to-law school program. Contact Renee Wallace: renee.o.wallace@gmail.com or the Office of Diversity Services.

Restricted Scholarship Applications will be available in the Financial Aid Office on October 1; deadline for completing them is October 17. These privately-funded scholarships have varying qualification criteria, and recipients will be honored during a reception early next year.

Congratulations to the Hamilton-Gwaltney Book Award Winners: Alexandra Dennis and Nefretete Davis

Stuff on the Table:

Financial Aid Deadlines

SAALT Legal Internship

Robert E. Wone Annual Judicial Clerks and Internship Conference—10/04

AU-GLBTA Resource Center Fact Sheet

AU-GLBTA Fall 2008 Events

Everyone is Entitled to Defend Our Country: WCL Administration’s Statement on JAG Protest

Georgetown University Law Center Women’s Law and Public Policy Fellowship

Georgetown University Law Center Leadership and Advocacy for Women in Africa (LAWA) Fellowship Program

OFFICE OF FINANCIAL AID

Attention - Restricted Scholarship applications are available October 1.

Applications can be filed beginning October 1. A resume and statement of qualification must accompany your application and Need Access information is required for need-based award consideration. Additional information is available at the financial aid counter.

Deadline: 5:00 pm, Friday, October 17.

Fall Disbursements

Contact the office if your aid is not posted on your student account. Account “stops” will be applied soon.

Repayment Information for Graduate PLUS Borrowers

Graduate PLUS loans enter repayment once a loan for an award period is fully disbursed. (Summer/fall one semester only loans now qualify.) Automatic in-school deferment generally applies and no action is required of the borrower. Check with your lender if you have questions.

Loan Adjustment Alert

Any change in loan awards must be initiated through the Financial Aid Office. Do **not** contact your lender directly for loan adjustments. Doing so may result in inconsistencies in award information, disbursement delays and possible misreporting of information to the Department of Education.

Dean’s Fellows

Consider signing up for direct deposit to receive your pay if you are not enrolled. Contact the Payroll Office or WCL’s Finance Office for details.

Outside Scholarships

Information is available at: <http://www.wcl.american.edu/outsidescholarships/>

OFFICE OF GRANT ADMINISTRATION AND PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT

Thinking About Spending a Semester Abroad?

Application Deadline for Spring 2009 Semester Abroad – October 1

Applications can be left in the Grants and Programs Mailbox in room 473.

Take advantage of this great opportunity to live and study abroad. You will have the chance to learn about comparative legal systems, gain a greater understanding of different cultures AND make yourself more competitive in the job market!

Many programs offer specializations such as business law, international law, human rights, intellectual property, or law of the European Union. WCL programs are offered in English and the language of the country – current offerings include **21 semester exchange opportunities** in Asia, Europe, Latin America, Australia, and North America. For a complete description of opportunities abroad please visit: www.wcl.american.edu/studyabroad or contact Hilary Lappin, International Exchange Coordinator at hlappin@wcl.american.edu or (202) 274-4317.

OFFICE OF PUBLIC INTEREST

Suite 122 - Phone: 202-274-4099 - Email: publicinterest@wcl.american.edu

Announcements:

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.

Read Up on Public Interest Salaries and Benefits

The 2008 edition of the NALP Public Sector & Public Interest Attorney Salary Report has arrived. The biennial report provides salary information for employers in five categories: civil legal services, public defenders offices, local prosecuting attorney offices, attorney general offices, and public interest organizations. Stop by the Office of Public Interest to view the report and learn more about salaries and benefits at various public interest employers.

Upcoming Programs and Events:

A Discussion About the Marshall-Brennan Constitutional Literacy Project & Legal Education for Youth Kicks Off the 1L Public Interest Roundtable Series on October 2, 12:00pm-1:20pm, Room 601: 1Ls are invited to join Professor Stephen Wermiel

(<http://www.wcl.american.edu/faculty/wermiel/>) and former Marshall-Brennan Fellow Nisha Thakker for lunch on Thursday, October 2 from 12:00-1:20 p.m. in room 601. Prof. Wermiel and Ms. Thakker will discuss the Marshall-Brennan Constitutional Literacy Project and legal education for youth. They will also share career highlights and answer student questions about public interest legal work. **You must RSVP to wcl.1l.roundtables@gmail.com by Wednesday, October 1.** Registration is limited. Food will be provided.

Equal Justice Works Career Fair and Conference, October 10 and 11, Omni Shoreham Hotel, Washington, DC

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. Second and third-year students may interview with employers. For registration and event information, visit the Equal Justice Works website at www.equaljusticeworks.org.

Pro Bono Honors Pledge Program “Getting Involved in Pro Bono” Session at noon, October 14, Room 402

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.

Pro Bono Honors Pledge Program:

Attention 2Ls and 3Ls - Remember to Submit Summer Pro Bono Hours! Student Time Logs are available in the Office of Public Interest, now located in Suite 122 off the main lobby. Completed time logs should be turned in at the front desk.

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:

Genocide Teaching Project
Marshall-Brennan (teaching hours)
Students United
Election Protection
LINK Tutoring Program
Clinical Program Translators
Volunteering with the War Crimes Research Office
Volunteering with the Center for Human Rights and Humanitarian Law
Volunteering with the Mid-Atlantic Innocence Project

OFFICE OF SPECIAL EVENTS AND CONTINUING LEGAL EDUCATION

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WELCOME & WELCOME BACK

The Office of Special Events and Continuing Legal Education (SECLE) provides support in creating exciting and unique programs, workshops and seminars at WCL. We support the students and faculty of WCL with conferences and programs addressing key issues of our time. Whether you are planning a small event or a large conference, we can assist you. Please contact our office at 202.274.4075 or secle@wcl.american.edu to find out how we can help you plan your program

FOUNDERS 2009

A request for program submissions for Founders' Celebration 2009 is due by Oct 1st – if you have a suggestion for a program, please contact Jennifer Dabson, Director, Office of Special Events and Continuing Legal Education at 202 274-4077 or e-mail jdabson@wcl.american.edu by OCT 1st.

THIS WEEK

SEPTEMBER 29

[International Right-to-know Day](#)

OCTOBER 2 *CLE*

[The Changing Landscape of Energy Law: Administrative Law Review Symposium](#)

SAVE THE DATES!

FALL 2008

OCTOBER 6

[Supreme Court Term Program](#)

OCTOBER 6

[25th Anniversary of WCL as a US Federal Depository](#)

OCTOBER 7 *CLE* - (POSTPONED)

[Kauffman Foundation Distinguished Lecture in Antitrust, Entrepreneurship and Innovation](#)

OCTOBER 7

[Protect the Vote, cosponsored with the American Constitution Society](#)

OCTOBER 10-11 *CLE*

[Baha'i Conference on Law Series: Exploring Intersections of Religion & Governance](#)

OCTOBER 14 *CLE*

[Prosecuting Sexual and Gender-Based Crimes before International/ized Criminal Courts](#)

OCTOBER 16

[Preserving the Past, Celebrating the Future: A Dinner and Keynote Address in Celebration of Our Shared History](#)

OCTOBER 17-18

[Reunion](#)

OCTOBER 20 *CLE*

[Advocacy Before the Inter-American and African Human Rights Bodies](#)

OCTOBER 21

[Taking the Heat: How Brenda Berkman Used the Courts to Open Fire Fighting Opportunities to Women and in the Process Altered Government Policy](#)

OCTOBER 21 *CLE*

[4th Annual Finnegan Distinguished Lecture in IP \("TRIPS 3.0"\)](#)

OCTOBER 23

[Live from the SEC – Videoconference cosponsored with the ABA Section of International Law](#)

OCTOBER 23-25

[15th Annual Burton D. Wechsler First Amendment Moot Court Competition](#)

OCTOBER 27-30 *CLE*

[Fifth Annual Seminar on International Commercial Arbitration: How to Handle Intellectual Property and Telecommunication Cases](#)

FOR ALL UPCOMING PROGRAMS PLEASE VISIT
WWW.WCL.AMERICAN.EDU/SECLE

**THE 2008 Just the beginning foundation Conference
'reaching back, lifting up'**

Presents

Robes in the Schools Program

Thursday, September 25, 2008

10:30 am – 12:30 pm

American University Washington College of Law

4801 Massachusetts Avenue NW, Room 603

As part of a community outreach effort on behalf of the Just The Beginning Foundation, sixty federal and state judges will be speaking to students throughout the greater metropolitan District of Columbia and the Baltimore region. The judges will seek to share stories of overcoming obstacles and opening pathways into the legal profession. The judges who will be speaking at Washington College of Law are:

Honorable Julian Abele Cook, United States District Court for the Eastern District of Michigan

Honorable Vanessa Gilmore, United States District Court for the Southern District of Texas

Honorable Henry Kennedy, United States District Court for the District of Columbia

Honorable Dennis Smith, Fairfax Circuit Court

The program will be moderated by Rebecca Geller, WCL '07, Mintz, Levin, Cohn, Ferris, Glosky and Popeo, P.C.

General Registration – no charge but please register at

http://www.wcl.american.edu/secle/cle_form.cfm

For more information, please contact: Office of Special Events & Continuing Legal Education, American University Washington College of Law

Phone: 202.274.4075; Fax: 202.274.4079; or secle@wcl.american.edu

CENTER FOR HUMAN RIGHTS AND HUMANITARIAN LAW

For additional information on any of the events or announcements listed below, please contact the Center by calling 202-274-4180 or by emailing humlaw@wcl.american.edu.

Center Announcements

**CENTER SEEKS DEAN'S FELLOW FOR
NEW HUMAN TRAFFICKING AND FORCED LABOR PROJECT**

We are seeking a 2L, 3L or graduate student with a background in human, labor, women and/or migrant's rights and who is an enthusiastic self- starter, has excellent research and writing skills and is able to multitask. The Fellow will work closely with the Director but will have responsibilities for discrete projects as well as support the Director. The Program will focus on the U.S., Mexico and Central America so fluent Spanish is preferred **but not mandatory**. The Fellowship will be 10 hours a week. **To apply:** send a cover letter, resume and short writing sample (max. 5 pages), to Hadar Harris at hharris@wcl.american.edu. **Position open until filled.** Please indicate that you are applying for a Center Human Trafficking Dean's Fellow position in the subject line.

Center Events

BRINGING HUMAN RIGHTS HOME: BUILDING PROACTIVE POLICY TO ENSURE RACIAL AND GENDER EQUITY

Friday, September 26, 9am - 1pm, Rm. 524

The implementation of human rights treaties at local and state levels has proactively strengthened public policy in addressing discrimination based on gender, race, and other identities. The Women's Institute for Leadership Development for Human Rights (WILD) has used the human rights framework to address gender, race, and other identity-based discrimination in the United States. As a result of WILD's work, San Francisco passed an Ordinance that adopted the UN Convention on the Elimination of all Forms of Discrimination Against Women (CEDAW) as city law. The effort to adopt CEDAW as local law is now being replicated in cities across the United States including Seattle, Eugene, New York, and Los Angeles. This discussion on these and other initiatives is presented by the Women's Institute for Leadership and Development for Human Rights in partnership with WCL's NIC/WCL Project on Addressing Prison Rape, the International Human Rights Law Clinic, the Women and International Law Program, and the Center for Human Rights and Humanitarian Law. Light refreshments will be served. Please RSVP to programs@wildforhumanrights.org or contact 415-355-4744. **Seating is limited.**

STUDENT ACTIVISTS FOR KATRINA/RITA SURVIVORS BAKE SALE

Wednesday, October 1st, 9am – 5pm, WCL Lobby

As our country deals with an uncertain economic future, the Diaspora of hurricane survivors dispersed throughout the US are still hoping to go home and rebuild. However, due to mismanaged government funds and the continued demolition of thousands of public housing units, many Gulf Coast residents remain homeless, without health care, without access to education or other basic services. On Wednesday, October 1st, SAKS - Students Activists for KatrinaRita Survivors – will hold a bake sale to help raise funds for Gulf Coast organizations working to raise awareness about the ongoing human rights crisis on the Gulf Coast. If you are interested in helping with the bake sale – either by baking or sitting at the table, please email Eric Leveridge at emleveridge@gmail.com.

SAVE THE DATE: MUNCHING ON HUMAN RIGHTS PRESENTS PROF. RICK WILSON DISCUSSING “THE UNIVERSAL BILL OF RIGHTS AND THE ABCS OF THE UDHR”

Tuesday, October 7th, 12-1:20pm, Rm. 602

Join us for the second session of the popular Munching on Human Rights lecture series as Prof. Rick Wilson discusses the Universal Bill of Human Rights and the ABCs of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights (UDHR). This series is an introductory program designed particularly for 1Ls who are looking to get a “taste” of international human rights and humanitarian law during their first year of study. Lectures will be held once a month and pizza will be served so bring your questions and your appetite! All students are welcome. Visit <http://www.WCLCenterforHR.org> for more information and future discussion topics.

EXTERNSHIP PROGRAM

Room 413 (202) 274-4200
www.wcl.american.edu/externship
M, W, F: 9 am – 6:15 pm; T, Th. 10:25 am-6:00pm;
(evening hours available on request)
externship@wcl.american.edu Avis Sanders, Director Gregory Seidell, Program Assistant

NEW STUDENTS/1L'S:

The Externship Program provides opportunities for law students to gain academic credit for unpaid legal work with not-for-profit organizations, governmental agencies, courts and pro-bono projects at law firms. Externships are available to first-year students the summer immediately following their first year. Please come by the office or see our website(wcl.american.edu/externship) to learn more about future possibilities.

The 2008 Externship Workshops will be held at lunchtime on October 22nd and 23rd. Please see the Events calendar for additional information.

INTERNATIONAL EXTERNSHIPS FOR SUMMER 2009

The Externship Program is proud to offer many diverse legal opportunities abroad. Placements are available at international courts and tribunals, non-profits, governments, law firms, and worldwide NGO's and IGO's. Students participating in the International Externship Program receive up to 3 academic credits for working in legal placements around the world and three credits for the concurrent Long Distance Externship Seminar (required) for a total of six credits. To apply to the International Externship Program, come by suite 413 to pick up an application or go to the Externship Program website at www.wcl.american.edu/externship to download an application. The deadline for applications is November 16th. After you have submitted the application, you will meet with the Director of the Externship Program to discuss your interests and to determine to which externships you should apply.

EXTERNSHIP PROGRAM DATABASE

To learn about externship opportunities, search the Employer Database. The Database is searchable on keyword, as well as by employers who are “recently looking.” The Database is available on the Externship website <https://www.wcl.american.edu/externship/externshipapp/>

On Friday September 26th and Tuesday September 30th, please see Avis Sanders in suite 411 for assistance with externship matters; Greg Seidell in the Externship Office at room 413 will not be available. Avis Sanders can be reached at 202-274-4072 or at alsanders@wcl.american.edu.

INTERNATIONAL COMMERCIAL ARBITRATION PROGRAM

Justice of the High Court in London Shares Expertise on International Commercial Arbitration with DC Attorneys

Today Thursday, Sept. 25, 5:30 p.m., well over 100 Washington DC practitioners, government representatives, law faculty, and students will gather at American University Washington College of Law to hear **The Hon Sir Vivian Ramsey, QC**, Justice of the High Court in London share his perspective on “Establishing Claims for Damages, Costs and Interest in International Arbitration” as part of the **Third Annual Lecture on International Commercial Arbitration**.

Sir Vivian Ramsey is a barrister, arbitrator and mediator whose career started in Civil and Structural Engineering and he is a Chartered Engineer and a Member of the Institution of Civil Engineers. In 1992, he became a Queen's Counsel and acts in major construction disputes in Court and Arbitration proceedings world-wide.

The lecture will be held at 5:30 p.m. in the Mooers-Morella Ceremonial Courtroom (603) and is free and open to the public. A reception will immediately follow.

October 27 – 30, 2008

Fifth Annual Seminar on International Commercial Arbitration: How to Handle Intellectual Property and Telecommunication Cases

The Annual Seminar is a four-day intensive program that uses a mock case as a tool for providing practitioners with skills, strategies, and tactics for successfully conducting arbitration cases. On this occasion, the seminar will feature sessions that are primarily from the perspective of the Rules of Arbitration of the American Arbitration Association's International Centre for Dispute Resolution (ICDR).

The Seminar is co-sponsored by the American Arbitration Association (AAA); International Centre for Settlement of Investment Disputes (ICSID); and International Court of Arbitration of the International Chamber of Commerce (ICC). Cooperating institutions include: ASIL Dispute Resolution Interest Group; Inter-American Bar Association; Inter-American Commercial Arbitration Commission; and U.S. & Mexico Bar Association. Media Partners include TDM and Global Arbitration Review.

Current J.D. students may participate in the International Arbitration Seminar as observers. LLM students can fully participate. Observers will be provided with access to all seminar sessions and events, however, they will be requested to yield the floor to participants of this advanced seminar. This would give participants the opportunity to ask all of their questions before observers present their questions.

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

INTERNATIONAL LEGAL STUDIES PROGRAM

Title: "Water and Peace in the Israeli Arab Conflict - Challenges and Opportunities. The impact of the World Bank proposed Red Sea to Dead Sea Canal."

Date: Monday, October 6th

Time: 12-1.20pm

Place: WCL, room 401

Speaker: Gidon Bromberg, LLM 1994

Short bio: Mr. Bromberg is the founder and Israeli director of "Friends of the Earth Middle East". He has spearheaded the advocacy campaigns of the organization both in Israel and internationally

and developed the cross border community peace building program "Good Water Neighbors" that is seen as a model for other programs in conflict areas. Mr. Bromberg speaks regularly on water, peace and security issues; including at the UN Commission for Sustainable Development; before the US House of Representatives, International Relations Committee; the European Parliament; and before the advisory meeting to the UN High Level Panel on Security. He is a member of the Israeli inter-ministerial committee on the future of the Dead Sea, of the Israel UNESCO World Heritage Committee and the inter-ministerial committee for Sustainable Development in Israel. He has published over twenty academic and popular publications concerning Middle East environmental policy and water security issues. In April 2007 Yale University awarded him a 2007 fellowship for global leadership called the World Fellows program.

(More information on the work he does is at

http://verity.univpubs.american.edu/magazine/magazine/spring07/spring07_bromberg-deadsea.html)

PENCE LAW LIBRARY

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

Monday – Friday 8:00 am – 12:00 am

Saturday – Sunday 9:00 am -12:00 am

Extended hours are available to currently enrolled WCL students, faculty and staff.

LIBRARY CARREL LOTTERY Each semester the Library has a limited number of carrels available on a reserved basis. To be eligible for a carrel, you must be a 2L, 3L, 4L or LLM student and must be enrolled in and pursuing an upper level writing requirement or writing a journal article or comment due this semester. The online registration for the lottery will end at 12 noon on September 29, 2008. Students selected will be notified by email of their carrel assignment. To view all carrel policies and to sign up for the online lottery, go to <http://library.wcl.american.edu/carrel/> and click on the link for Carrel Reservations. Questions? Contact Circulation at circ@wcl.american.edu .

AskPenceLibrary and chat with a librarian for help with your research! IM a reference librarian and get an instant answer to your question. Just send your message to AskPenceLibrary using AIM, MSN, Yahoo or Google Talk or through the Virtual Reference webpage at <http://library.wcl.american.edu/ask.cfm>. Email us at reflib@wcl.american.edu if you have questions about this service.

Did you know that Hein Online has MUCH more than the full text of over 900 legal periodicals? It now also contains the full text of the Federal Register back to 1936, the full text of the Congressional Record and its predecessors, a new Federal Agency database, Subject Compilations of State Law and much more! AccessHein Online from the Library webpage at http://library.wcl.american.edu/resources/research_tools.cfm . Questions? Contact a reference librarian at relib@wcl.american.edu .

Copying and Printing in the Library There are 2 new EagleBuc\$ readers in both Library copy rooms, and our copiers have either been replaced with new ones or serviced over the summer.

Help the Library Go Green! Turn off your carrel lights when you stop studying and use Duplex Printing whenever possible. Library printers **Yoda, Dilbert, Rocky and Researchtoo printers can print on both sides of paper.** To set this utility up on your laptop follow these instructions: To check to make sure that your printer driver is configured for duplexing click on your **'Start'** button, then choose (depending on your start menu setup) **'Printers and Faxes'** OR **'Settings'**, then **'Control Panel'** then **'Printers and Faxes'**. You should see a list of installed printers. Right click on the printer you wish to print to and choose **'Properties'** from the right click menu. Then click on the **'Device Settings'** tab. Towards the bottom of the list of available settings you will see **'Duplex Unit'** this should be set to **"Installed"** then click **'OK'**. **To Print:** Click on **'File'** then choose the **'Print'** option. Click on the **'Properties'** button near the top right. Under the **'Layout'** tab there will be options for **'Print on Both Sides'** just choose the style you want either flip on long or short edge. Click on the **'OK'** button to set your choice and click **'OK'** again to send your print job to the printer. Step by step instructions are also posted at <http://www.wcl.american.edu/technology/ipp.cfm> and include special instructions for Apple computers. Questions? Stop by the Student Computer Help Desk on the 2nd floor of the Library or email compotech@wcl.american.edu.

Do you want to suggest something to add to the Library's collection or make a comment suggesting an improvement to our services? Suggestion boxes are available in the 2nd floor copy room and at the Security Desk at the entrance to the Library. An online form is also posted at <http://library.wcl.american.edu/suggestions.cfm>. Fill it out and a Library staff member will review and respond to your concern.

Calling all student authors! If you have an article accepted for publication or recently published by a 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 at bkaufman@wcl.american.edu. The Library will host a reception in early March to honor student scholarship efforts and we don't want to leave anyone out!

Please be a good library citizen and keep your personal conversations in the Library to a minimum and set your cell phone to vibrate. Your fellow students are studying! Need an absolute quiet place to study? Use the Quiet Study Room on the first floor of the Library.

PROGRAM ON LAW AND GOVERNMENT:

HOLD THE DATE. DON'T MISS THE ANNUAL LOOKING AHEAD AT THE NEW SUPREME COURT TERM on **Monday, October 6, from 12 noon to 1:30 in Room 603.** Hear your WCL professors discuss some of the important cases that the Supreme Court will be deciding in its new term. Panelists are Professors Lynda Dodd, Cynthia Jones and Steve Vladeck. Steve Wermiel, Marshall-Brennan Associate Director, will be a panelist and moderator. The event is sponsored by the Program on Law & Government and by the Law & Government Society.

WAR CRIMES RESEARCH OFFICE

SUMMER LAW PROGRAM IN THE HAGUE

June, 2009 Information Session TBA

Now in its third year, the Summer Law Program in The Hague is a six-credit program offered in collaboration with the T.M.C. Asser Institute, one of the most prominent institutes of international law in Europe. The program offered two three-credit courses: *International Criminal Law* and *International Legal Approaches to Terrorism*. During the 2008 session, program participants received course lectures from nearly thirty practitioners and other experts, including judges, prosecutors and other staff from legal organizations located in The Hague. Participants also visited the International Criminal Court, the International Criminal Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia, the International Court of Justice and other institutions critical to the development and enforcement of these areas of international law.

The 2009 program will be open to J.D. students who have completed one year of legal education, LL.M. students and graduates of ABA-accredited law schools. Stay tuned for information about applications and an in-depth information session, which will be offered this fall. In the meantime, past program information can be found on our website at www.wcl.american.edu/hague; interested students are encouraged to email hague@wcl.american.edu and request to be added to the listserv.

WOMEN AND THE LAW PROGRAM

The Women and the Law program staff are available to meet with students each **Tuesday from 2:00 to 3:00 or by appointment**. Students are welcome to stop by to seek advice regarding courses, learn about opportunities to get involved in feminist advocacy and chat about law school in general. Associate Director Daniela Kraiem is located at 4910 Massachusetts Avenue, Suite 16 (on the lower level), Room 113.

STUDENT BAR ASSOCIATION

"Managing the Financial Crisis"

Thursday, October 2 12 noon - 1:20 pm, Room 602

With all the financial turmoil that has occurred over the past month, you might be wondering where you fit in and how your legal education should be adapted to the emerging economic environment.

In conjunction with the Business Law Society, the Integrated Curriculum Program has set up a panel on this topic. Come listen to Professor(s) Pike, Anderson and Bradlow address this pressing issue. There will also be time for questions at the end.

REGISTRATION REQUIRED - please go to:

http://www.wcl.american.edu/secle/registration?event_id=302831

and register for this panel. Seating is limited, and this event is open to all JD levels.

Lunch will be provided.

The Christian Legal Society

Meeting Thursday, October 2, in room 527 from 12:00-12:50.

Criminal Law Society

If you weren't able to make our introductory meeting, you can still sign up for our email list to hear about our upcoming events! Please email us at crimls@wcl.american.edu and we'll keep you informed.

Energy Law Society

What is energy law? Why is it important? In this time of increasing energy consumption and economic turmoil, how will the United States and the rest of the world approach and resolve important energy challenges? Rarely have energy issues been so prominent or important in national and international debate. If you are interested in such questions, and their potential answers, you might be interested in WCL's Energy Law Society, an organization formed to help WCL students explore their interests in this critical area. The 2008-2009 academic year will be one of rebuilding for the Energy Law Society, and we hope you are interested in joining us. Later in the fall, the Energy Law Society hopes to organize an event to bring practitioners from a broad range of government and private organizations to WCL to share their thoughts on the state of the industry, prospects for its future, and how students at WCL can gain the experience and knowledge that will help them pursue careers in the field. If you are interested in energy and energy law and would like to participate in activities designed to help you explore those interests, please contact energylaw@wcl.american.edu.

IP Society

Please join the IP Society, International Legal Studies Program, and the Program on Information Justice In Intellectual Property on **October 2, 2008 from 12:00-2:00 in Room 415** for a luncheon and lecture by Theresa Swinehart, WCL Alumni and Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers (ICANN) Vice President of Global and Strategic Partnerships. She will be discussing her work at ICANN, recent international developments and the path she followed to get there.

International Law Review

Oxford Law Reports

Come learn how you can contribute to an online Oxford publication! The International Law Review is working in conjunction with the Human Rights Academy to summarize decisions from the Inter-American Court. As a junior staff volunteer, you would read and brief cases from the Inter-American system. This commitment requires approximately 20 hrs/ month, and gives you the opportunity to work with international law review members, learn an international legal system, and be published on an online journal.

Interest meetings will be held **September 30 at 5 pm in Room 401 and October 2 at 12 pm in Room 528**. For more information, or if you can't make one of the interest meetings and would still like to be involved, please contact Jeanne Cook at jeannec81@gmail.com

Lambda Law Society

"Out in the Legal Field." Tuesday, October 7th, 2008 from 12:30pm-1:30pm in room 503.

The panel will include a lunch and feature panelists in the legal field who will speak about coming out and being out in the workplace, dealing with discrimination, working on diversity panels in the firm, and any other issues facing LGBTQ practitioners. With this presentation panel, we hope to educate our audience about strategies and approaches to ensure that all LGBTQ individuals are treated equally in the workplace.

Legislation & Policy Roundtable

Call for Articles

The Legislation & Policy Roundtable invites students, faculty and alumni to submit articles for publication in its inaugural issue. This fall, the Roundtable's electronic publication will focus on election law and ethics issues. Please submit articles in final form to roundtable@wcl.american.edu by October 17, 2008. Submission guidelines are available at www.wcl.american.edu/org/roundtable.

Modern American

Women's Bar Association of the District of Columbia, and The Washington College of Law Invitation To Submit Essays For The Archives On Women Lawyers Project

The Modern American (TMA) announces the American University – Washington College of Law (WCL) essay competition open to all full-time law students enrolled in and attending an accredited law school in the United States.

The Women's Bar Association of the District of Columbia (WBA) and WCL share an important history in advancing women in the law. TMA celebrates this history by creating a writing competition that **discusses the author's selection of a topic of interest or importance affecting women in the law**, such as issues ranging from the history of struggles confronted by women lawyers in their careers to issues that women lawyers face today in a male-dominated environment at the higher levels of the profession. The writing competition will not only give semi-finalists the opportunity to work alongside WBA members by receiving response pieces from them, but will also give semi-finalists and the winner of the competition, the opportunity to attend the dinner that will commemorate WBA's and WCL's shared history on October 16th, 2008, at WCL. The winner of the competition will also get a chance to publish his/her essay in *The Modern American* publication.

PRIZES: \$1000; The possibility of publishing the essay in *The Modern American* publication; A special invitation to the October 16th WBA/WCL Dinner for the winner and all the semi-finalists.

TOPIC: all issues affecting women *in* the law, from their history to the struggles that they have faced and continue to face today in what is still a male-dominated environment at the higher levels of the legal profession.

DEADLINE: October 1st, 2008, at noon.

Rules and Regulations

1. Any student regularly enrolled in and attending classes at an accredited law school in the United States is eligible to enter. Submission of a paper shall be through email to tma@wcl.american.edu, with one cover page that includes all personal information (name, address, phone number, email, law school, title of essay).
2. All papers shall be the original, unpublished work of an individual student, but may have been prepared as a course assignment. Some guidance of law school faculty is permitted, except for any guidance by the competition judges.
3. Papers must be typed, double-spaced, on 8-1/2 by 11 inch white paper, 20-30 pages in length, and **MUST be within the subject matter described in the introduction above**. Use endnote form, which will be included in the paper's length. Citations, and endnotes are to be in accord with the current edition of *A Uniform System of Citation* (The Bluebook).
4. Papers will be evaluated considering: writing quality and clarity; the interest of the topic and content to a broad segment of the lawyers; analysis and reasoning; timeliness, originality and creativity; quality and use of research; and compliance with these rules.
5. Papers will be evaluated, and the prize will be awarded, at the discretion of a panel of scholars and attorneys who will have no knowledge of the author's name or law school.

6. The winner as well as all participants, will be notified regarding the competition results by mail on October 15th, 2008. Thereafter, the winner will be commemorated at the Washington College of Law on October 16th, 2008, at the Women's Bar Association/Washington College of Law Archives Project Dinner. 7. Entries must be **received no later than October 1st, 2008 at noon, at tma@wcl.american.edu**. 8. Once all essays are turned in, semi-finalists will get an opportunity to interact with a WBA member over a companion piece to be written by the woman lawyer. The "companion" piece resulting from this opportunity will be solely for the benefit of each student and will not be taken into account in making the award. The companion piece will be intended for submission for publication along with the winning essay. In addition, the winner of the competition will have the opportunity to receive mentoring from the "companion piece" author in order to perfect his/her essay in advance of its final review and processing by the editorial board of TMA. 9. Entry grants TMA the right of first publication of the paper and the copyright if published, constitutes certification of it as an original unpublished and un plagiarized work, and is the author's agreement to hold TMA and its members harmless from, and to indemnify them for, any and all damages and costs relating to copyright infringement or plagiarism. 10. Please notify us at tma@wcl.american.edu if any of your contact information changes.

The South Asian Law Students Association & Islamic Legal Forum

Present

9/11 seven years later: How it still affects the South Asian Community

Please join us for lunch and an interesting panel with speakers:

Safiya Ghori, Muslim Public Affairs Counsel; Sharon Alexander, Equal Employment; Opportunity Commission; Rajdeep Singh Jolly, Sikh American Legal Defense and Education Fund

With Professor Jayesh Rathod as the moderator

Tuesday, September 30th RM 602, 12:00-1:20 pm

Lunch will be served

WCL Democrats

Oct. 2nd, at noon in room 100 the WCL Democrats will be hosting a discussion on election protection law with a focus on Virginia Voter Protection Laws. Food will be provided.

IN SEARCH OF

Prof. David Aaronson seeks second and third year Dean's Fellows for 10-20 hours per week for research and related assistance on one of the following projects:

1. Research on a supplement for a book on Maryland criminal law and jury instructions; research consists primarily of reviewing recent appellate court cases in the criminal law area and preparing drafts of case summaries and related changes to the manuscript;
2. Research and administrative support as Chair, ABA, Criminal Justice Section, Committee on Rules of Criminal Procedure, Evidence, and Police Practices; research involves identifying proposed changes to the federal rules of criminal procedure and evidence and certain proposals relating to reform of police policies and practices;
3. Assistance with materials for Criminal Procedure I class and police ride-a-longs; and, possibly research on another project, such as drafting an op ed article on ways to reduce mistaken eyewitness identification.

Interested students should submit the following: (1) resume; (2) copy of transcript; (3) writing sample. For additional information, please contact Prof. Aaronson: 202-274-4201; E-mail: daarons@wcl.american.edu; Room 410.

Professor Guttman is urgently looking for a Research Assistant for the remainder of the fall semester of 2008 continuing through spring 2009. Students interested in commercial and securities law specifically Securities Transfers having strong research skills are invited to apply. Students should also indicate if they wish to be considered for the fall 2008 and for the spring 2009 semester. 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 his Administrative Assistant, Carolyn Wright, in room 325. The Student will work a total of ten (10) hours per week during the fall and spring semester.

Prof. Daniela Kraiem is looking for a Dean's Fellow for the fall semester to assist with legal research. To apply send resume, cover letter highlighting any research experience, and short writing sample to Angie McCarthy, Program Coordinator, at angiem@wcl.american.edu with 'Research Dean's Fellow' in the subject line. This is a 5/hr week position.

Prof. Brenda V. Smith and the NIC Project on Addressing Prison Rape seeks Dean's Fellows for the Fall of 2008 semester, to work 10-20 hours per week. Dean's Fellows will provide research and assistance with projects on legal issues related to sexual abuse in correctional facilities and implementation of the Prison Rape Elimination Act. Excellent work ethic, and research and writing skills a must. Office hours required. Interested applicants should submit a cover letter, resume, transcript and writing sample to bvsmith@wcl.american.edu and jyarussi@wcl.american.edu.

The War Crimes Research Office (WCRO) is seeking a Dean's Fellow to provide administrative assistance to its Summer Law Program in The Hague. We are looking for students to assist in developing course materials, marketing the program and undertaking administrative tasks. We value attention to detail, strong organizational skills and familiarity with Microsoft Office programs. Experience or interest in international law, program management and study abroad are all great assets. To apply, please send a resume and cover letter highlighting relevant experience to Susana SáCouto, Director, War Crimes Research Office, by email at warcimes@wcl.american.edu. This position pays \$12/hour. Applications will be considered on a rolling basis. If you have any questions, please feel free to stop by our office at 4301 Massachusetts Ave, NW, Suite 102, call us at 202-274-4067 or e-mail warcimes@wcl.american.edu.

The Program on Law and Government seeks a student who can dedicate between 15-20 hours per week serving as a Dean's Fellow. This position includes administrative assistance, program management, and some legal research and writing. The ideal candidate will be a full-time or part-time JD or LLM student who has office experience and wants to be part of a collaborative team. Interested students should submit a resume and cover letter (hard copy, please) to Associate Director Tabitha Acosta in Suite 515.

The Program on Law and Government is accepting applications for one Dean's Fellow who will work 10-20 hours per week and perform the following tasks associated with the SJD Program. Responsibilities include coordinating application information, performing research, and assisting the infrastructure of the Program. 3 L and LLM students are encouraged to apply for this position.

To apply for this positions please submit 1) a cover letter indicating interest and availability, and (2) a resume to Tabitha Acosta, Associate Director of the Program on Law and Government in Suite 515.

VOLUNTEERS

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 contact Maribel Yamat at myamat@wcl.american.edu or you can see her in Room 417 to get more information and fill out the appropriate forms. You may be able to receive credit for pro bono service with the public interest program.

The Clinical Program is seeking volunteers to assist student attorneys with case investigation in the Criminal Justice Clinic. Examples of case investigation tasks may include gathering documents, attending witness interviews, and visiting places and institutions relevant to the issues in a particular case. If you would like to be available as a volunteer case investigator in the clinic, please contact Maribel Yamat at myamat@wcl.american.edu or you can see her in Room 417 to get more information and fill out the Volunteer Form. You may be able to receive credit for pro bono service with the public interest program.

ADDITIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

שנה טובה

Professor Guttman wishes to extend to all his co-religionist New Year greetings for a Healthy, Peaceful and Successful Year 5769. May you be inscribed and sealed into the Book of Life.

לשנה טובה תכתבו [תכתבנה] ותחתמו [ותחתמנה]
לאתר, לחיים ולשלום
שנת אושר ועושר

1L Public Interest Roundtable Series: Marshall-Brennan Constitutional Literacy Project & Legal Education for Youth, October 2, 12:00pm-1:20pm, Room 601: 1Ls are invited to join Professor Stephen Wermiel (<http://www.wcl.american.edu/faculty/wermiel/>) and former Marshall-Brennan Fellow Nisha Thakker for lunch on Thursday, October 2 from 12:00-1:20 p.m. in room 601. Prof. Wermiel and Ms. Thacker will discuss the Marshall-Brennan Constitutional Literacy Project and legal education for youth. They will also share career highlights and answer student questions about public interest legal work. **You must RSVP to wcl.1l.roundtables@gmail.com by Wednesday, October 1.** Registration is limited. Food will be provided.

Practicing Law in Australia Info Session

On **Tuesday, September 30** from **12pm-1pm** in **Room 503**, please join law professors visiting from Monash University Law School in Melbourne for an informal question and answer session on issues involving practicing law in Australia. Please RSVP to Jamie Welling at jwelling@wcl.american.edu by Monday, 9/29/08. Light refreshments will be provided.

International JD Dual Degree Programs—Reminder for Spain Applicants:

For all students interested in applying for the International JD Dual Degree Program to Spain for the 2010-2012 period, please be advised that you must register for the D.E.L.E. (Diploma de Español como Lengua Extranjera) exam by **October 10** and the exam will be given **November 22**. Visit the Instituto Cervantes website www.cervantes.org for application information as well as to check for any changes in the date of the exam. WCL students receive a discount on the fee for the exam. For more information, please visit <http://www.wcl.american.edu/dualdegree/carlos.cfm> or contact Program Director, Macarena Sáez at msaez@wcl.american.edu .

International JD Dual Degree Programs and Chile Summer Program Info Session

Save the date: **Wednesday, October 1, from 5pm-7pm**. Please join us for more information on the International JD Dual Degree Programs or the Chile Summer Program. Location: TBD. Contact Macarena Sáez at msaez@wcl.american.edu or Jamie Welling at jwelling@wcl.american.edu with questions.

CHILE SUMMER LAW PROGRAM 2008

Get an early start on your 2009 summer plans!

Join fellow law students from WCL and other schools around the country for an amazing and enlightening summer experience in the beautiful cities of Santiago, Chile and Buenos Aires, Argentina.

For more information please visit our website at www.wcl.american.edu/chile or contact Macarena Saez, Program director at msaez@wcl.american.edu

EXTERNSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Due to the time required to obtain security clearances for students working as an extern with the SEC, CFTC and Department of State, students wishing to participate at an externship at those agencies during the Spring 2009 Semester should forward their resume package as soon as possible. The agencies have indicated that they will be reviewing applications on a running time basis. Please apply as soon as possible. It is likely that applicants applying late may find that all positions have been filled (as happened for the Spring 2008 Semester).

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

Students who will have completed Business Associations and Securities Regulation by the end of the Fall semester of 2008 and are prepared to enroll in the seminar on Derivatives for the Spring Semester 2009 or who, having completed Business Associations by the end of the Fall semester 2008 and will be enrolling in the course on Securities Regulations and the seminar on Derivatives for the Spring 2009 Semester, are eligible to participate in a Field Component at the Commodity Futures Trading Commission. Please submit your resume, a copy of your transcript, a list of subjects you are taking in the Fall 2008 Semester and intent to take in the Spring Semester 2009, a writing sample and a cover letter as soon as possible 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 an 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. [Time subject to change and governed by classes of participating students]

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

I would like to draw the attention of students who will have completed Securities Regulation by the end of the Fall Semester 2008 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 Spring 2009 semester. [Law-784] Students who will be taking Securities Regulations during the Fall 2008 Semester should apply now to participate in the Field Component – S.E.C. Student Observers Program in the Spring 2009 Semester. Applying now will assist in getting early security clearance. 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 as soon as possible. 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. [Time subject to change and governed by classes of participating students]

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 420 hours over the Spring 2009 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 Economic & Business Laws, Diplomatic Law, Law Enforcement, Human Rights & Refugee Laws, etc.

Students having an interest in these areas, as shown by the courses and seminars they will have taken by the end of the Fall Semester 2008 should submit a resume, a copy of their transcript, a writing sample and a cover letter as soon as possible to allow for security clearance. 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 Tuesday between 12:00 – 2:00 p.m. [Time subject to change and governed by classes of participating student].

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

ATTENTION 1L's!!!!!! This event is just for you!!!!!! Ready to jump start your job search and learn more about what OCPD can offer you? Registration for OCPD's annual **CAREER DAY** will open on **October 13, 2008 and close on October 24, 2008.**

Learn how to maximize your job search skills using OCPD resources and services
Hear upper class students and WCL alumni discuss their job experiences and share strategies for success
Create a valuable network of alumni and area practitioners
Learn effective marketing and networking techniques to help you secure a great summer internship

This year's **CAREER DAY** will be **November 1, 2008** at the Hyatt Regency Bethesda. More information to come regarding registration, program events, and details in these upcoming weeks, but mark your calendars and register early for one of the most beneficial career planning programs offered just for 1L's!

Attention Job Seeking 3 & 4Ls: Are you Concerned About the Current Job Market? Has the Job-search Process Left you Frustrated or Exhausted?

Learn How to Breathe New Life into your job search efforts and gain better focus...and results!

The **3L/4L Job Search Series** kicks-off with **3L/4L Counseling Week, September 22-26.** During this time, OCPD will reserve the majority of our counseling slots for 3 & 4Ls. Sign up for your appointment today by contacting the front desk in person or at 202-274-4090. The **3L/4L Job Search Series** will continue with additional programs covering Job-Search Identity and Focus; Job-Search Techniques in a Fluctuating Market; the Long Distance Job Search; Small-firm Outreach Strategies; Resources & Approaches for a Federal Attorney Search; Working with Placement and Temporary Agencies; and more!

****Upcoming Professionalism Series Programs****

Professionalism Series #1: Dress for Success – Business Attire Seminar *featuring*
NORDSTROM's Special Occasions Manager, Gina Oberndorf

Wednesday, October 1 from Noon-1:20pm in WCL Room 401

Do you know what to wear on an interview? Have you ever spent hours rifling through your closet to find appropriate "business casual" attire for an afternoon reception? Even seasoned professionals have difficulty navigating the ins and outs of business attire, so let OCPD take the pain out of professional dress as we bring Nordstrom to you with this highly informative seminar. Tuesday's program will feature advice straight from the experts, along with Nordstrom merchandise! Pizza will be provided. Please register in advance on the "Events" section of CareerLink. First year students are welcome to attend and are asked to register by emailing rfulton@wcl.american.edu.

Professionalism Series #2: Effective Communication with Employers *featuring*
Dr. Ben Opipari, Writing Instructor

Office of Professional Development, Howrey LLP

Tuesday, October 21 from Noon-1:20pm in WCL Room 101

Are you convinced that your cover letters and email communications with prospective employers are persuasive? Do employers have a good first impression about you before beginning the interview process?

Please join OCPD for an informative program with Dr. Ben Oipari, Writing Instructor in the Office of Professional Development at Howrey. The speaker will discuss ways to strengthen your written communication and will provide perspective about this important first step in the hiring process.

Pizza will be provided. Register in advance on the “Events” section of CareerLink. First year students are welcome to attend and are asked to register by emailing careerdevelopment@wcl.american.edu.

**ABA Section of Antitrust Law Presents:
Why Antitrust? A Discussion of Antitrust Law as a Career Option**
Tuesday, October 14 from Noon-1:20pm in WCL Room 401

Many programs and opportunities have been developed to introduce law students to various careers. “Why Antitrust?” is one such program designed as an outreach to law students. Students will have the chance to meet and listen to experienced antitrust practitioners discuss the realities of practicing antitrust law. They can also learn about potential career opportunities in government, private practice and in- house corporate positions.

Participants: James Frost, Attorney, Federal Trade Commission (JD’95); Jeffrey S. Jacobovitz, Partner, Schiff Hardin LLP (JD ’80); Michele C. Lee, Associate, Wilson Sonsini Goodrich & Rosati LLP (JD ’05); Wilson D. Mudge, Partner, Arnold & Porter LLP (JD ’96); Philip Schreiber, Associate, O’Melveny & Myers LLP (JD ’06)

Don’t miss this fantastic opportunity! The focus of this session will be on externship opportunities for students interested in antitrust and consumer protection. Lunch will be provided. Register in advance on the “Events” section of CareerLink. First year students are welcome to attend and are asked to register by emailing careerdevelopment@wcl.american.edu.

Calling all 2L/3L/4L Students: 2008 Summer and Academic Year Employment Surveys: The Office of Career & Professional Development is collecting information regarding second, third, and fourth year students’ summer and academic year employment experiences for the purpose of updating the Student Mentor Database that students can use to network and inquire about specific employers and employment experiences.

As a law student, your peers are some of the most valuable professional contacts you have. OCPD encourages all students to take part in this valuable job search resource by completing the 3-5 minute evaluation. By sharing employment experiences, WCL students can create a professional network in which to seek out and provide information regarding a particular employer, practice area, or geographic location. You can also choose whether to share your contact information with current WCL students or to remain anonymous.

Instructions for accessing the evaluation: Please log on to CareerLink at <http://law-american-csm.symlicity.com/students> to complete the 2008 Summer and Academic Year Employment Evaluation. Select the “Profile” button, and then select the “Evaluations” tab. To start the evaluation, click “Add New” at the bottom of your screen. If you do not know your log in information, please send an email to careerdevelopment@wcl.american.edu.

Please Note: If you are currently going through the Fall Recruitment Program, administered on CareerLink, you will not be able to access the OCI tab until you have completed the survey. Please keep this in mind so that you do not experience any inconvenience when utilizing CareerLink to apply to upcoming Fall Recruitment opportunities.

Reminder to Upper-Class Students: Don’t forget that you can register for a variety of list serves on CareerLink. Listserv topics include: Alternative, Corporate, Diversity, Government, Judicial, and Private Practice/Law Firms.

*****Now Accepting Applications for Fall Semester Dean’s Fellow*****

OCPD seeks a Dean's Fellow to work 10 hours per week to assist staff with research assignments and various administrative projects. Proficiency in Microsoft Word, Access and Excel preferred. If interested, please email a resume and cover letter to Traci Mundy Jenkins, OCPD Director, at tjenkins@wcl.american.edu.

Fall Recruitment Program Updates

ATTENTION JOB-SEEKING THIRD AND FOURTH YEAR STUDENTS!!!

Please read below for several newly added opportunities to interview on campus for permanent, post-graduate employment.

FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION will be on campus Monday, October 13 and is accepting applications from 3L/4E students. To apply, log on to CareerLink and view “Fall Recruitment 2008 – Week Nine.”

(Deadline to apply: Monday, September 22 at 11:59PM)

There are many more opportunities to meet with employers from the government, non-profit, and private sectors on CareerLink. Log on at <https://law-american-csm.symlicity.com/students> and select the OCI tab to get started. If you don’t know your log in information, send an email to careerdevelopment@wcl.american.edu for assistance, or stop by the OCPD front desk in Suite 122.

Public Interest & Government

Public Interest Committee Dean’s Fellow Announcement

The Public Interest Committee is seeking a **Dean's Fellow** to work **10 hours/week** on a number of projects, including outreach to students, public interest employers and the WCL alumni; programming; revisions to public interest student materials; among other tasks. The Dean's Fellow will work closely with the Public Interest Specialist in the Office of Career & Professional Development. Excellent writing, computer and interpersonal skills are required. Interested candidates should submit a current resume and brief cover letter (stating that you are applying for the Public Interest Committee Dean's Fellow position) to Jarrod Shirk, Public Interest Coordinator, at jshirk@wcl.american.edu. Resumes will be reviewed on a rolling basis until the position is filled.

ATTENTION 2Ls & 3Ls - ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR YOU!

EXCITING GOVERNMENT PANEL Program FOR Students!

Profiles of Legal Careers In Federal Government: Join OCPD and American University's Career Services Office for a panel discussion about careers in federal government, on **October 2, 2008, from 5:30pm-7:00pm** in the **6th Floor Student Lounge**. Four distinguished alumni will serve as panelists and discuss their careers in federal government, how they got to where they are, advice and tips on the job search, and answer any questions students may have. Panelists include: **Department of Justice**, Anti-Trust Division; **Securities & Exchange Commission**, Enforcement Division; **Office of Management & Budget** (this alumni was a former Presidential Management Fellow (PMF)); and the **Department of Homeland Security**, US Citizenship & Immigration Services. **Do not miss this exciting event!** Please register via CareerLink under the Events tab today!

INTERESTED IN Government Employment?

Please make sure to review the **Government Honors & Internship Handbook** on the home page of CareerLink regularly, as many **post-graduate government Honors Program** deadlines are quickly approaching. Similarly, deadlines for many **summer internship opportunities for 2Ls** are approaching quickly. **Tables 3 and 4 in the Handbook** provide the best guidance regarding upcoming deadlines. Agencies such as the Department of Commerce, the FBI, the CIA, the FTC, EPA, HHS, the SEC, the FCC, and DHS, among many others, have September and early October deadlines. If you have any questions about government job search strategies, please contact OCPD to make an appointment with a career counselor.

Paid Internship Opportunity at American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees (AFSCME)

The AFSCME Office of the General Counsel seeks a law clerk for the fall and winter 2008 semesters. A successful candidate should possess good research and writing skills, demonstrated academic excellence and a serious commitment to work for the labor movement. AFSCME is the fastest growing union in the country with over 1.4 million members and primarily represents employees within the public sector. 2Ls are preferable and will receive \$20/hour. Please go to CareerLink for additional details.

ATTENTION 3Ls - INFORMATION AND OPPORTUNITIES FOR YOU!!

Postgraduate Public Interest FELLOWSHIPS!

Interested in pursuing a postgraduate public interest fellowship opportunity? Visit www.pslawnet.org for a comprehensive listing of fellowship opportunities and deadlines. Some big deadlines are just around the corner:

Skadden Fellowship: October 6th - application and information available at: www.skadden.com

If you are in the process of completing a fellowship application, please contact Heather Fine, Public Interest Specialist, at hfine@wcl.american.edu or 202-274-4090 to schedule an appointment to review your application materials and/or discuss questions. The Public Interest Specialist in OCPD is also available to discuss any other fellowships as well.

National Labor Relations Board Honors Program

The National Labor Relations Board Honors Program deadline for 3Ls is **WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2008**. For more information, please go to http://www.nlr.gov/about_us/careers/attorney_honors_program.aspx or go to the Government Honors and Internship Handbook on CareerLink. Please also note that the National Labor Relations Board maintains three separate Honors Programs, one for offices on the General Counsel side, one for offices on the Board side, and one for specific Regional Offices. Application to and acceptance by or rejection from any one of the three programs has no reflection on consideration by the other two programs. **Apply now!**

Robert Bosch Foundation Fellowship Program

The Bosch Foundation Fellowship Application is due on October 15, 2008. This intensive work study program allows graduate students to work in the federal government and private sector in Germany for a period of nine months. "The Robert Bosch Foundation sponsors a fellowship program that enables young American professionals to participate in an intensive work and study program in Germany. Although a prime goal of this program is the advancement of transatlantic relations, it also contributes to the participants' professional competence and expertise, and broadens their cultural horizons." To learn more about the Bosch Fellowship, please go to <http://www.cdsintl.org/fromusa/bosch.htm>.

ATTENTION 1Ls – ANNOUNCEMENT FOR YOU!

Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) Seeks Interns!! If you are interested in working for the Federal Bureau of Investigation in their Honors Internship Program (deadline September 30th) or their Summer Volunteer Internship Program (deadline Friday, October 10th), please go to **FBI Jobs Online** to obtain additional information about this exciting opportunity. <http://www.fbijobs.gov/239.asp>

Calling All Public Interest Students!!

2008 EQUAL JUSTICE WORKS CONFERENCE & CAREER FAIR Register Now! The 2008 EJW Conference & Career Fair will be held on **October 10th & 11th** at the **Omni Shoreham Hotel** in Washington, DC. Register now! Please go to the EJW website, www.equaljusticeworks.org to register. **1Ls are invited to attend table talk with employers, so register soon! 2Ls and 3Ls seeking interviews with employers should submit application**

materials via Symplicity created on EJW's website by **Friday, September 26th**, but employers began pre-selection for interviews on **September 1, 2008**, so submit your materials now! A list of participating employers including available positions is listed on the EJW website. **Registration closes on Friday, September 26, 2008**

JOB SEARCH RESOURCES!!

It's not too late to line up a fall internship or externship. Also, you should begin thinking about summer and post-graduate opportunities. Visit the following websites for a jumpstart on your job search.

1. **CareerLink** – WCL's on-line jobs database. Remember to update your profile and **select public interest and government listserv options** to receive regular email updates. Also remember to check CareerLink regularly for post-graduate and internship opportunities!
2. **PSLawnet** (www.pslawnet.org) – Recently updated, the Public Service Law Network includes an organizational and opportunities database and compiles the most recent fellowship information found in the "Postgraduate Fellowship" section. It also provides excellent resources in the "Career Central" and "International Resources" sections.
3. **Idealist** (www.idealists.org) – This website lists hundreds of internship and employment opportunities, not only in the legal field.
4. **Opportunities in Public Affairs** (www.opajobs.com) – Your top resource for Capitol Hill, Public Relations, and Public Affairs jobs in the Washington, DC area. Log onto CareerLink to access the online version and username and password.
5. **The Government Honors & Internship Handbook**. The best resource for federal internship and honors attorney programs. Available in hard copy in the OCPD library, or log on to CareerLink to access the online version and username and password.

Judicial Clerkships & Internships

ATTENTION 3LS/4Ls: Planning to apply for state judicial clerkships for the 2009 term? Many state judges have been accepting applications (and hire on a rolling basis) or have deadlines very soon!

For state clerkships, judge-specific hiring information for more than 20 states is listed within the "jobs & resume collection" section of CareerLink. Choose "Judicial Clerkship" as the "Position Type" to find these postings. To download addresses for many state judges, go to the "clerkships" section of CareerLink. You will have to complete a Clerkship Registration the first time you access this section.

Robert E. Wone Annual Judicial Clerkship & Internship Conference

Saturday, October 4, 8:00 am – 1:00 pm, Howard University Law School

The DC-area minority bar associations are putting together their 5th Annual Judicial Clerkship and Internship Conference. If you are interested in attending, please RSVP by September 26 to johnctruong70@yahoo.com. See CareerLink for more details.

Interviewing Resources

Two of the best resources to start researching your judges with whom you have upcoming interviews are the Almanac of the Federal Judiciary (available in the Resources area of the OCPD – no appointment necessary!) and our very own alumni – check out the Alumni Clerkship Survey

Database and the Clerkship Interview Feedback Database as a starting point, or contact me for help in tracking down additional alumni whose names you found elsewhere on the Judicial section of the OCPD website.

We're trying to track judicial interviews this year, so please let us know if you have an upcoming clerkship interview. Additionally, after your interview, please fill out the interview feedback survey so future WCL students can benefit from your experience! Once you have lined up a judicial clerkship, be sure to let us know about your success!

To subscribe to the Judicial Listserv:

- (1) From your CareerLink home page, select "profile" at the top of the page.
- (2) Select the "Academic Information" folder.
- (3) Double-check that the "Graduation Date" and "Year in School" fields are correct. Emails are sent based on these categories.
- (4) Under "Listserv," select "Judicial" and then save your changes.

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

Contact the OCPD to schedule an individual counseling appointment with Amy Killoran, Judicial Clerkship Coordinator. Email Amy at killoran@wcl.american.edu to let her know if you have secured a judicial clerkship!

Diversity Job Fairs, Scholarships/Fellowships & Other Initiatives

*** Please be sure to update your profile on CareerLink and subscribe to the Diversity Listserv for the most up-to-date announcements, events, and scholarships relating to diversity outreach and initiatives. ***

SCHOLARSHIPS & FELLOWSHIPS

Proctor & Gamble Company and Dinsmore & Shohl LLP Diversity Scholarship Program:

This scholarship is offered to law students who are members of groups traditionally under-represented in the legal profession, or individuals who contribute meaningfully to diversity in their communities. The chosen scholar will gain valuable experience in P&G's legal department for six weeks, followed by six weeks in Dinsmore & Shohl's Cincinnati office. The scholarship winner also

will be assigned mentors from both organizations, providing a dedicated resource to assist with professional development.

The selected applicant **will receive a salaried summer clerk position and a \$10,000 scholarship.** To be eligible, law students must be admitted or already attending an ABA-accredited law school as a first-year or second-year law student, have a record of academic or professional achievement, and display leadership qualities through past work experience, community involvement, or student activities. **2L students must have submitted all information before September 15, 2008 and 1L students must submit all information between December 1 and December 31, 2008.**

For more information regarding eligibility requirements or the Procter & Gamble Company/Dinsmore & Shohl LLP Diversity Scholarship Program, please visit www.dinslaw.com/careers/diversityscholarship or send inquiries to dinsmore.legalrecruiting@dinslaw.com.

ATTENTION 3L'S!!!!!! Fried Frank Fellowship Program: is a unique program that effectively bridges the worlds of private law firm litigation and public service law by joining with two of the country's leading civil rights advocacy organizations, the NAACP Legal Defense and Educational Fund, Inc. (LDF) and the Mexican-American Legal Defense and Educational Fund (MALDEF), along with one of New York's leading legal services providers to indigent women, inMotion. *The LDF and MALDEF fellowships each give an entry-level lawyer the opportunity to spend two years as a Fried Frank litigator and then two years as a staff attorney with the LDF or MALDEF.* At the end of their four-year commitment, our successful Fellows are encouraged to interview to return to Fried Frank and, in some cases, they may continue on the staff of their civil rights organization. We are proud that a number of our former Fellows hold high-level positions on the staffs of both LDF and MALDEF.

The inMotion fellowship gives an entry-level lawyer the opportunity to spend two years as a Fried Frank litigator and then one year as a staff attorney at inMotion providing direct legal services to indigent, often battered, women in need of family law services. As with the other fellowships, at the end of the year at inMotion, the Fellow is encouraged to interview to return to Fried Frank.

The ideal candidate for a Fried Frank Fellowship is a third-year law student or recent graduate currently in a judicial clerkship. Candidates for the MALDEF and LDF fellowships should have a genuine interest in both corporate and civil rights litigation. For the MALDEF and inMotion Fellowships, Spanish language skills are highly desirable.

The application deadline for all programs is October 15, 2008.

For more information, please contact:

Nicole Cambridge
Attorney Relations Coordinator
+1.212.859.8387
fellowship@friedfrank.com

RECEPTIONS

Womble Carlyle Diversity Golf Open 2008:

The Open provides area minority law students the unique opportunity to network with local business leaders through the sport of golf. This year's Diversity Open will take place at TopGolf Game Centre, which features a new and interactive way to play golf using revolutionary technology. To encourage interaction among participants (and some friendly competition), teams will be assigned by tournament organizers. Teams will include business leaders, Womble Carlyle

attorneys, and minority law students. After a few games of golf, the fun will conclude with an awards dinner.

Where: [TopGolf Game Centre](#)

6625 South Van Dorn Street

Alexandria, VA 22315

Phone: (703) 924-2600

When: October 6, 2008

3:30 p.m. until early evening

How Much: FREE!

To register, please log onto the “EVENTS” tab on CareerLink and register under the link provided for the Womble Diversity Golf Open. If you have any questions about this event, please contact Elizabeth Grau at 202-857-4420 or Todd Ross at 202-857-4496.

*** For more information on DIVERSITY INITIATIVES, please visit <https://law-american-csm.symplicity.com/> and search under “JOBS & RESUME COLLECTION” for fellowships and scholarships, or search under the “EVENTS” tab on CareerLink for JOB FAIRS, RECEPTIONS, AND OTHER NETWORKING OPPORTUNITIES.***

Announcements for LL.M. Students

From Adriana Vito

Assistant Director for International Career Programs

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.

EVENTS FOR THE WEEK OF September 29, 2008

Monday, September 29

10am-4:15pm, 6th Floor (Room TBA), International Right-to-Know Day

Tuesday, September 30

9:30am—5:30pm, Rm 603, The Changing Landscape of Energy Law: Administrative Law Review Symposium

12-1:20 pm, Rm 602, 9/11 seven years later: How it still affects the South Asian Community

12-1pm, Rm 503, Practicing Law in Australia Info Session

5pm, Rm 401, Oxford Law Reports Interest meeting

Wednesday, October 1

8:30AM—5:30 PM, WCL Lobby, Student Activists for Katrina/Rita Survivors Bake Sale

5-7pm, jwelling@wcl.american.edu, International JD Dual Degree Programs & Chile Summer Program Info Session

Thursday, October 2

12-1:20pm, RSVP: wcl.11.roundtables@gmail.com, 1L Public Interest Roundtable Series

12-1:20 pm, Rm 602, Managing the Financial Crisis

12 pm, Rm 528, Oxford Law Reports Interest meeting

12-12:50pm, Rm 527, Christian Legal Society Meeting

12pm, Rm 100, a discussion on Virginia Voter Protection Laws

12-2pm, Rm 415, IP Society Luncheon Lecture

5:30-7pm, Sixth Floor Student Lounge, Profiles of Legal Careers in Federal Government (Alumni Panel)