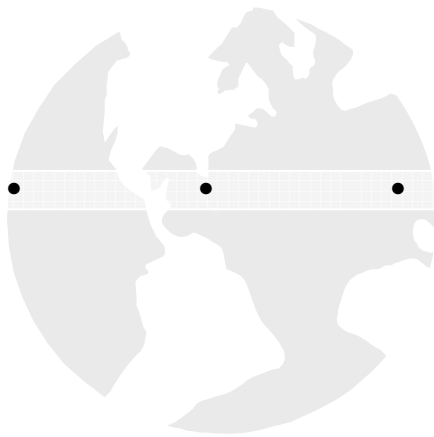


Media Report and Faculty Activities

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Welcome to the monthly Media Report. This report includes faculty media appearances, publications, presentations, appointments and awards for February 2006.

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Media Appearances

- **Nancy Abramowitz** was the "TaxProf in the Spotlight" on the **TaxProf blog** (02/25/06).
- **Padideh Ala'i** was interviewed by the **Washington Times** regarding the conflict of the White House outsourcing operation of six major ports to a Dubai company (02/23/06).
- **Judge Michael Algeo** (Adjunct and Alumnus) was featured in **Leadership in Law** in an article about his nomination for the 2005 Daily Record Leadership in Law Award (11/05); profiled in the **Montgomery County Gazette** in "Judges Appointed to County Circuit Court" (12/07/05).
- **Michael Allen** (Adjunct) was quoted in the **New York Times** in "Killings Loom Over Debate on Treating Mentally Ill" (02/07/06); guest on **MSNBC's The Situation with Tucker Carlson** regarding New Mexico's consideration of a bill that will allow family members and doctors to force mentally ill patients to receive treatment (02/08/06); quoted in the **Albuquerque Journal** in "Kendra's Law Challenged" (02/09/06); quoted in the **Associated Press** in "Reil Urged to Change Policies for Mentally Ill" (02/15/06).
- **Liz Boals** was quoted in **American Weekly** in "Courtroom Drama Raises Ethical Questions" (02/21/06).
- **Bob Dinerstein** was interviewed by a book **author** about commitment of young people (both pre- and post-majority age) for mental health treatment (02/09/06).
- **Kathleen A. Duignan** was interviewed by the **National Journal** for research on the military commissions process (02/02/06); gave a television interview with **ARD** German Public Television regarding the Abu Ghraib courts-martial and lack of command accountability to date (02/15/06); spoke with a local reporter from the **Kitsap Sun** in Bremerton, WA to explain the law about press access to courts-martial (02/15/06); gave an interview to a student reporter from the Patrick Henry College newspaper explaining military charges of failure to obey a lawful order (02/16/05); interviewed by the **Baltimore Sun** regarding court-martial procedures related to pending charges against the Naval Academy's quarterback (02/23/06).
- **Randall Eliason** was interviewed on **NPR's All Things Considered** about the Abramoff bribery case (02/01/06); interviewed by **NPR** on the CIA leak case (02/06); interviewed by **CHQR**, a Radio station in Canada, on "The World Tonight" on Enron (02/03/06).
- **Eugene R. Fidell** gave interviews about military justice, crime at the service academies, Guantanamo detentions, and the handling of classified information by **NPR's All Things Considered** (02/16/06), **Agence France-Press** and **La Repubblica** (02/17/06); **NBC Nightly News** (02/22/06); published "Guantanamo and All That" in **Federal Lawyer** (02/06).

- **Bob Goldman** was featured in a full-page story, "Un Juez Para Colombia," in **Cromos** (the Colombian equivalent of Time and People) (02/06/06).
- **Dan Marcus** was interviewed by **WTTG Fox5** on Alberto Gonzales' testimony before the Senate Judiciary Committee on wiretapping and other government surveillance (02/06/06); interviewed by **CNN** regarding declassification of government documents (02/09/06); interviewed on **KTKA-TV**, Topeka and Lawrence, Kansas (02/13/06).
- **Paul Morella's** (Adjunct) performance of *Passion for Justice: The Clarence Darrow Story* was featured on the front page of **American Weekly** (02/13/06).
- **Jeremy Mullem's** review of Michael Lavigne's novel "Not Me" is now up on **zeek.net**, a Jewish journal of thought and culture (02/06).
- **Jamie Raskin** was interviewed by **WTTG Fox5** about a Spotsylvania police sting to bust a prostitution ring (02/13/06); interviewed by **WUSA CBS9** about the sexual discrimination case against former Montgomery County councilmember William Donald Schaefer (02/17/06).
- **Ira Robbins** was interviewed by **WUSA CBS9** on prospects for the sentencing phase of the trial against Zacharias Moussaoui (02/03/06); interviewed by Derrick McGinty on **WUSA CBS9** on death penalty sentencing proceedings for Zacarias Moussaoui (02/06/06); interviewed by **Hearst Newspapers** regarding the proceedings in the Zacarias Moussaoui death penalty case (02/07/06); interviewed by **WTTG Fox5** regarding the possibility of bringing criminal charges against Vice President Cheney should the victim, Harry Whittington, die (02/15/06); interviewed by Pete Williams of **NBC Nightly News**, which will air on the **Today Show** and on **Nightly News** on Monday, about the commencement on Monday of the death penalty hearing for Zacarias Moussaoui (03/02/06).
- **Josh Sarnoff** was quoted in "UW officials face tough choice Do they pay patent fees demanded by company, or incur expenses of court fight?" in the **Casper Star-Tribune** regarding amicus brief filed on behalf of the Electronic Frontier Foundation in *Phillips v. AWH Corp.*, a 2005 en banc Federal Circuit case specifying the methodology of patent claim construction (02/05/06); quoted in **Science Magazine** in "What Good Is A Patent? Supreme Court May Suggest an Answer" (02/17/06).
- **Herman Schwartz** was interviewed by **Media Matters** on electronic surveillance and FISA (01/06); interviewed by **Japanese News Service** on the Supreme Court (01/27/06); participated in a **documentary** on Supreme Court for showing on PBS (02/10/06).
- **Michael Tigar** was interviewed on **NPR's All Things Considered** about the Moussaoui penalty trial (02/01/06).
- **Robert Vaughn** was interviewed by **Associated Press** for a story on the whistleblower protection provision of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act (02/06).
- **Steve Wermiel** was interviewed by interviewed by Pete Williams of **NBC News** for a story on how the South Dakota abortion ban might play out in the Supreme Court (02/28/06); interviewed **Voice of America** about Justice Alito (02/02/06); interviewed by Gina Holland of the **Associated Press** for a story about the first months of the Supreme Court under Chief Justice Roberts (02/10/06).
- **Paul Williams** was interviewed by **Hearst-Argyle Television** about Iraq's elections (01/10/06); guest on **WAMU 88.5 FM's Kojo Nnamdi Show** discussing the ethnic and political situation in Kosovo (01/26/06); interviewed by **Australian Broadcasting** regarding the Iraqi constitution (02/01/06); interviewed by **FoxNews.com** about his and the PILPG nomination for the 2005 Nobel Peace Prize (02/06/06).

- **Rick Wilson** was interviewed by *RadioFrance*, on the legal situation in Guantanamo (02/15/06); interviewed by *CanWest* about the new report from the UN, and opinion about the impact on the Khadr case (02/16/06).
- Students in WCL's **Glushko-Samuelson Intellectual Property Law Clinic** were noted in *P2P News/P2P.net* in "EFF Clear Channel Challenge," about a case they are assisting with to revoke illegitimate patents out of the system (02/14/06).
- **Meghan Stewart**, a JD/MA student in the Public International Law and Policy Group was a guest on *Voice of America Bosnian TV*, discussing her assistance in advising of the Bosnian government on the redraft of their constitution (02/17/06).
- The **Administrative Law Review** panel, "Cracks in the System: The Adequacy of the U.S. Healthcare Regulation in a Global Age," was covered by *Sinclair Broadcasting* (03/02/06).
- The **WCL conference**, "The UN and Regional Systems' Legal Framework on Torture" was covered by the *National Journal* (03/03/06).
- *Campus Technology* and *Profnet Newswise* did articles on WCL's **Podcasting** initiatives (02/06).

Faculty Awards, Appointments, Presentations, Publications

- **David Aaronson** was a panelist following Paul Morella's performance in Passion for Justice: The Clarence Darrow Story (02/13/06).
- **Judge Michael Algeo** (Adjunct and Alumnus) was nominated for the 2005 Daily Record Leadership in Law Award (11/05); appointed by Maryland Governor Robert Ehrlich to the Montgomery County Circuit Court (12/05).
- **Susan Bennett** presented her paper, "Insuring Access to Housing For Persons with Limited English Proficiency," at a national symposium convened on "Creating Healthy Communities: Ending Homelessness," ABA Forum on Affordable Housing and Community Development Law, Saint Louis (02/23-24/06).
- **Lisa Bhansali** (Adjunct) recently published a chapter entitled "Measuring the Impact of Criminal Justice Reform in Latin America" in the book Promoting the Rule of Law Abroad: In Search of Knowledge (Carothers, ed.), published by Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, Washington, D.C. (01/06); awarded the Medal of the Judicial Branch of Peru in a ceremony at a Seminar on Judicial Independence and Transparency (01/26/06).
- **Danny Bradlow** was appointed "Co-Rapporteur" of the International Law Association's Study Group on Accountability of International Organizations and Research Associate of the Center for Human Rights at the Faculty of Law, University of Pretoria (02/06).
- **Ethan Burger** Ethan Burger presented "Has Globalization Increased the Risk of Legal Malpractice in the Area of Intellectual Property?" International Trademark Association, Savannah, Georgia (02/06); presented "Is It Ethical for Attorneys [and Judges] to Require Journalists to Reveal Confidential Sources?" (02/06); published "The Future of Legal Ethics: Some Potential Effects of Globalization & Technological Change on Law Practice Management in the 21st Century" Widener University Law Review; of the eight cases where he testified as an expert on Belarus, the applicant obtained political

asylum in the U.S. He was also been invited to write the lead chapter in a forthcoming book on Belarus (02/06).

- **Mary Clark** consulted with State Department's Legal Advisor's Office on pending appellate litigation presenting questions of first impression on property law (02/06); addressed visiting delegation of Spanish prosecutors re: history of legal profession in the U.S. (02/06); spoke on history of women in the judiciary as part of WCL's Jurists and Gender conference (02/28/06); gave keynote address on history of women in the legal profession at Vinson & Elkins professional development luncheon (02/06); conducted oral history interview with prominent bar member for ABA's Women Trailblazers in the Law project (02/06).
- **William M. Cohen** will lecture for the American Law Institute-American Bar Association at its 2-day program on environmental law on the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) (02/09-10/06).
- **Bob Dinerstein** moderated a session on "Fostering Collaboration in the Academy: The Role of Sections," AALS Annual Meeting (01/05/06); published, with Laurie Powers and Steve Holmes, and others, "Self-Advocacy, Self-Determination, and Social Freedom and Opportunity," Ch. 11 in *National Goals and Research for People with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities* (K. Charles Lakin & Ann Turnbull, eds., The ARC of the U.S. & American Association on Mental Retardation 2005); presented "Every Picture Tells a Story, Don't It?: The Complex Role of Narratives in Disability Cases," at the Disability, Narrative and the Law Conference at Ohio State University, Moritz College of Law (02/17/06); presented "The Promises and Challenges of Collaboration in Clinical Legal Education," Distinguished Speakers Series, Santa Clara University School of Law (02/23/06).
- **Kathleen A. Duignan** and Eugene Fidell participated in a video teleconference sponsored by *Human Rights First* to explain the military justice system and offer recommendations about command accountability within the system (02/06).
- **Walter Effross** taught "50 Tips for Ethical and Effective Web Sites for Lawyers and Law Firms," D.C. Bar continuing legal education program (01/18/06); delivered a presentation on "'Deepening Insolvency' Actions" at the American University Law Review Symposium, "Bankruptcy 2.0(05): Chapters, Changes, and Challenges," and moderated for the corporate bankruptcy panel (02/10/06).
- **Christine Haight Farley** moderated "Recent Developments in the Repatriation of Native American Culture," WCL (2/20/06).
- **Eugene R. Fidell** and Kathleen Duignan participated in a video teleconference sponsored by *Human Rights First* to explain the military justice system and offer recommendations about command accountability within the system (02/06); chaired a panel on **Military Justice and the First Amendment** at a conference on **The First Amendment in Crisis** at the University of Hawaii's William S. Richardson School of Law (02/24-25/06); *The First Amendment and Military Courts*, 23 *Communications Lawyer* 10 (Fall 2005) (with Steven D. Zansberg and Matthew S. Freedus).
- **Claudio Grossman** participated in the mid-year ABA dean's meeting, Chicago (02/09-10/06); hosted a reception for alumni and applicants at Morton's Steakhouse in Chicago (02/10/06); hosted a reception, with Richard Brusca, WCL '81, for alumni at the D.C. offices of Skadden Arps (02/20/06).
- **Egon Guttman** participated in teleconferences by U.S. Advisory Group on UNIDROIT preparation of a draft Convention on Harmonized Substantive Rules Regarding Securities Held With An Intermediary (02/09,17,28/06).
- **Traci Jenkins** spoke on effective career development strategies at the Third Annual Washington Bar Association Career Fair for first-and second-year law students from local schools, University of the District of Columbia David A. Clarke School of Law (02/25/06).

- **Nicholas Kittrie** was reelected vice-chair of The American Society of International Law's Interest Group on the Status of Minorities and Other Non-State Communities (02/06); appointed Planning Chair for the Interest Group's panel to be held at the forthcoming ASIL 2006 annual meeting, the topic of which will be "The Future of the Nation-State in a Multicultural Age: Nation Building or Ethnic Separatism?" and will consider the former Soviet Union and former Yugoslavia and compare them with contemporary France, Lebanon and particularly Iraq (02/06); appointed to and will chair a special committee of the World Association of NGO's to undertake a critical review of the "Successes and Failures of Humanitarian Law" in preparation for the 60th anniversary of the Nuremberg Tribunal (02/06); article on "The United Nations Organization at 60: The Time for Restructuring and Reform" has been accepted for early publication by the International Journal for World Peace (02/06).
- **Dan Marcus** presented at Legal Forum on Impact of 9/11 on Muslims and Arabs in the United States, WCL (02/02/06); moderated two panels at the International Law Review Conference on Nuclear Nonproliferation, WCL (02/09/06)..
- **Jack Marshall** (Adjunct) was a panelist following Paul Morella's performance in Passion for Justice: The Clarence Darrow Story (02/13/06)
- **Nancy Polikoff** spoke on recognition of same-sex relationships to the Charlotte E. Ray American Inn of Court at the Superior Court for the District of Columbia (02/23/06).
- **Jamie Raskin** was a panelist following Paul Morella's performance in Passion for Justice: The Clarence Darrow Story (02/13/06).
- **Ira Robbins** was recognized in the latest editions of *Who's Who in America*, *Who's Who in American Education*, and *Who's Who in the World* (02/06).
- **Diego Rodriguez Pinzon** taught "The Inter-American Commission on Human Rights" in the seminar Diplomado en Derechos Internacional de los Derechos Humanos y Sistema Interno de Protección y Reparación. The Diplomado was organized by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Colombia and the Universidad Nacional de Colombia in Bogota, Colombia (02/14-16/06); lectured on "Contemporary Issues of the Inter-American Human Rights System" in the School of Law of the Universidad Nacional de Colombia, in Bogota, Colombia (02/17/06).
- **Teemu Ruskola** was offered a fellowship with the **Institute for Advanced Study**, Princeton, NJ, 2006-07; invited as member of the faculty of the School of Social Science to participate in multi-disciplinary, comparative and international theoretical research on the theme of "The Third World Now" (02/06).
- **Herman Schwartz** lectured on Human Rights in Legal Education for Syrian law professors, WCL (02/09/06); presented at New Israel Fund Forum in New York on "Israel as a Jewish and Democratic State" (02/12/06).
- **Brenda Smith** testified before the State of Maryland (House of Delegates) on an amendment to their Staff Sexual Misconduct Law (02/15/06).
- **Michael Tigar** was notified that he would be recipient of the Boalt Hall 2006 Citation Award, that law school's highest award, which will be given in May. Also, Boalt Hall's "Young Alumna/us Award of the Year Award" will be given to Judge Jon S. Tigar of the Alameda County Superior Court (01/06).
- **Timothy Trainer** (Adjunct) conducted a two-day workshop in Cairo, Egypt for officials of Egyptian Customs and the Ministry of Trade and Industry regarding implementation of new Egyptian regulations to protect intellectual property at the border (02/13-14/06).

- **Steve Wermiel** edited HumanRights, the quarterly magazine of the ABA's Section of Individual Rights and Responsibilities, Fall 2005, Vol. 32, No. 4; published "Resegregation in Public Education, HumanRights (Fall 2005).
- **Rick Wilson** was Panelist, "Military Commissions and the Status of Fair Trial Norms," Fulfilling the Legacy: International Justice 60 Years After Nuremberg, Amnesty International Lawyers' Conference, Seattle (02/18/06); closing speaker, "Forty Acres and a Mule: Is Property More Important than Happiness?" Conference on Poverty and Human Rights, International Law Society and National Lawyers' Guild, George Washington University School of Law (02/23/06).