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Supreme Court Preview Returns



Before the U.S. Supreme Court convenes its 2021-22 term, legal scholars, judges, lawyers and journalists came to W&M Law School for the Institute of Bill of Rights Law's 34th Annual Supreme Court Preview.

[Read About the Preview](#)

Faculty



**Afghans' Long Road Ahead
Through the Immigration**



**William & Mary Has 27th
Most-Cited Law Faculty in the**

System

A Q&A with Professor Stacy Kern-Scheerer, director of the Law School's Immigration Clinic, and Supervising Attorney A. Nicole Alanko '19, who was placed at the Clinic as an Immigrant Justice Corps Fellow, a grant-funded position. [Learn more.](#)

Nation

Our faculty are once again among the most cited in the country. W&M rose one spot to number 27, according to the latest Scholarly Impact of Law School Faculties study released in August.

[Learn more.](#)

Center for Legal and Court Technology



What's New in Cybersecurity?

Keep up with the latest from the CLCT Cybersecurity and Information Security Newsletter. [Read more.](#) And listen to the Exhibit AI Podcast. [Listen.](#)

Students



Rachel Rogers, current 2L, shares her impressions of law school after a year of virtual learning. [Read more.](#)



Meet the Class of 2024

Get to know a little more about our great 1Ls--the [Class of 2024](#)

Citizen Lawyer Alumni Spotlight



Lauren Vogt '11
Owner/Attorney,
L&L Immigration
Law, PLLC



Laura Jacobson '11
Owner/Attorney,
L&L Immigration
Law, PLLC

Lauren Vogt '11 and **Laura Jacobson '11** are being recognized jointly in our September Alumni Spotlight for their commitment to the citizen-lawyer ideals of leadership and inclusion through their strong advocacy on behalf of immigrants at the law firm they founded together, L&L Immigration Law. The two former classmates discovered their shared passion in law school, worked together at the Capital Area Immigrants' Rights Coalition, and the firm now has offices in both Alexandria and Williamsburg. Their work has included immigrant representation and advocacy on behalf of DACA applicants. Lauren and Laura, thank you for embracing the citizen-lawyer ideal every day in your work for those who need it most!



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Alumni Association Board
Alumni Spotlight

New! The Alumni Association Board has created a new monthly Alumni Spotlight, highlighting Citizen Lawyers who are committed to practicing our Law School's values in their daily lives.

To learn more about this initiative and to nominate a classmate or W&M colleague, click the button below.

[Learn More & Nominate Someone Today!](#)

Get Involved

September 30: Conversations and Connections: The Future of the Virginia Workforce (Virtual)

September 30–October 1: 18th Annual Bringham-Kanner Property Rights Conference

In addition to an in-person option, we also will broadcast the conference live via Zoom. The conference has traditionally been approved for 4 - 6 CLE credits in Virginia. Those wishing to attend virtually and not seeking CLE credits may register for free.

October 7–10: William & Mary Homecoming

Miss the Institute of Bill of Rights Law's 34th Annual #WMPreview?

Catch up on all the action by viewing a list of panels [here](#) and watching the sessions on YouTube when available by searching [@wmlawcommunications](#).

Alumni in the News



Jessica Arena '14

Jessica Arena, who has worked for a number of law firms and as a staff attorney for the Loudoun County Circuit Court, joined the Leesburg Town Attorney's Office as assistant town attorney. [Read more.](#)



Dominique Callins '05

Dominique Callins, an attorney with the Leesburg firm Simms Showers LLP, has been appointed to the Virginia Court of Appeals. [Read more.](#)



Brian McNamara '08

Brian McNamara has joined Tulane University School of Professional Advancement as a professor of practice in the public administration program. [Read more.](#)



Gabrielle Shea '20

Gabrielle Shea, public policy manager, government relations and public policy at NEC Corporation of America, is the 2021 recipient of the SIA Industry Advocate Award. [Read more.](#)





Submit your Class Notes!

Submit an update to us so we can share in our newsletter and via the [Class Notes website](#). Submit your notes via email to lsadvance@wm.edu!

Carla Archie '95

Carla Archie has been appointed as a Senior Resident Superior Court Judge in North Carolina's 26th Judicial District. [Read more here.](#)

Please help or hire our recent graduates and law students

OFFICE OF CAREER SERVICES

Help or Hire a 2021 Graduate

Class of 2021 graduates plan to practice in 17 states—AK, CA, CO, FL, GA, MA, MD, MN, NC, NJ, NY, OH, PA, SC, TX, UT, VA—and DC.

If you or someone you know is hiring for entry-level, temporary, part-time, or remote positions, [post a recent grad position](#) or request resumes from [Ramona Sein](#) '97, Assistant Dean for Employer Relations.

Recruit Students for Internships

To post internships for students, please [click here](#).

Request Alumni Career Resources

OCS is happy to assist alumni who are seeking employment. For access to Alumni Resources, [click here](#).



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PSF has W&M Law School branded merchandise available online throughout the year on their Bonfire page, including adult apparel, onesies, tote bags and more. [Visit the PSF Gift Shop on Bonfire](#) to place your order. Questions? Email giftshoppsf@gmail.com or publicservicefund@gmail.com.

Additionally, PSF is hosting its **Inaugural Golf Classic on September 25th at Williamsburg National Golf Club**. This event is open to students, alumni, and friends of the Law School. To learn more and purchase tickets, visit the [event registration page](#).

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