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NEWSWORTHY NEWS



CONGRATULATIONS to the National Trial Team. Over Spring Break, they sent two teams to compete at the Phi Alpha Delta Invitational held in Las Vegas, Nevada. Over forty teams from around the country were entered in the tournament. After three preliminary rounds, W&M was undefeated and ranked 1st and 2nd of all the teams. Thus, the final round was a W&M

exhibition of our finest talent. In the end, the results were:

1st Place: Barbara Watkins (3L); Kia King (3L); Brian Cannon (2L); and Rustin Mangum (2L)

2nd Place: Andrew English (2L); Jess Kuehn (2L); Destiny Harris (1L); and Emily Riggs (1L)

What makes this victory even more impressive is the fact that for the first time in trial team history 1L team members were selected to compete at the tournament as advocates (as opposed to merely witnesses). As it turns out, the only team that could beat our 1L contingent was, well, our team!

This is the 4th tournament victory this semester in five tournament entries. Counting last semester, the Trial Team now has four tournament wins, two runner-up finishes and one 3rd place finish. Congratulations to our amazing team members!

ADDITIONAL KUDOS – In late March, the trial team once again had a sterling weekend at the Cap City Trial competition sponsored by the American University Law School. Our team made it to the semi final round getting further than UVA, University of Houston, Georgetown, Fordham, Temple and many others. Although we have become used to wins in the Finals our efforts were honored once again when second year student, Amanda Ritucci-Chinni, was chosen as the best advocate in the tournament for the plaintiff's side. This was a great honor for the team. Hard work, great spirit and just smart students makes for a fantastic year.

CONGRATULATIONS to 3L Chanel Gray - The Leadership Institute for Women of Color Attorneys Inc. and McGuire Woods LLP honored her in Atlanta on March 18 for commitment to the legal profession and dedication to being active in her community and law school. She was one of four students awarded a scholarship.



CONGRATULATIONS to Tonya and Ivan Cosby on the birth of their granddaughter, Arianna Nicole Alexander, who was born March 15! She weighed 4lbs, 14 ozs and was 19 inches. Her parents, Angelique and Kevin and brothers Kameron, Kendall, and Kaiden are excited to have a little girl in the house!

NEED TO KNOW

SOME IMPORTANT INFORMATION REGARDING BAR APPLICATIONS:

OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPTS - Some state bars require official transcripts as part of the application process. The Law School **DOES NOT** provide official transcripts. The University Registrar's office provides these upon submission of a written request and a payment of \$7.00 per copy. Please follow this link to request an official transcript:

http://www.wm.edu/offices/registrar/documents/transcript/Official Transcript Request.pdf

FINGERPRINTS - Many state bar applications require submission of the applicant's fingerprints. Beginning immediately, Kay Hibbard, in the reception area, will be setting up appointments for students wishing to have their fingerprints done by Campus Police. Appointments are available between the hours of **7:00-8:00 a.m.** and **4:00-5:00 p.m. ONLY**, Monday through Friday. All appointments are scheduled for the following week. There is no charge for this. For those taking the Virginia Bar, a Virginia Bar Application fingerprint card can be obtained from Kay, Gloria or me. Of course, you can also go to any police station to have this done. Be sure to take two photo ids (driver's license and/or passport, student id, military id) with you for this appointment.

NOTARIZING THE APPLICATION - Most bar applications require you sign before a notary. Kay Hibbard, Gloria Todd and Chris Creeech are notaries and will be glad to help you with this. **DO NOT SIGN ANY DOCUMENT TO BE NOTARIZED** until you are in front of a notary. Have all your documents/forms in order before you come in for notarization. This will greatly speed up the process!

FOR THOSE TAKING THE VIRGINIA BAR EXAM: Please remember to pick up the **EDUCATION CERTIFICATE** from Kay, Gloria or Chris Creech. A good time to pick this up is when you come in to have your application notarized. This form <u>must</u> accompany your Virginia Bar Application.

The VIRGINIA CERTIFICATE OF GRADUATION will be sent by Dean Jackson on May 17. And most important, the deadline for the Virginia bar application is May 10.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

NORTHEAST LEGAL SOCIETY HOSTS JOB TAYLOR '71 - March 29, 1:00-2:00 p.m., room 141 - The Northeast Legal Society will host a talk by Job Taylor, a 1971 graduate of the Law School. Mr. Taylor was a partner at Latham & Watkins and will discuss his law career. Free and all are welcome.

2010 BLACKSTONE LECTURE BY PROFESSOR MICHAEL STEVEN GREEN - March 30, 3:30-4:30 p.m., Room 127 – Professor Michael Steven Green will present the Law School's 2010 Blackstone Lecture titled "Anarchic Constitutional Rights." Free and all are welcome. A reception will follow in the Law School lobby. The Blackstone Lecture Series was established in

1996 to recognize the scholarly achievements of younger members of the William & Mary Law School faculty. The series is made possible by the generosity of Law School alumni.

PHI DELTA PHI SEEKING NEW MEMBERS! Interested in joining a legal fraternity promoting professional ethics? Applications to join are due on Wednesday, March 31 at noon. The Spring 2010 initiation ceremony will be held that evening at 6:00 p.m. at the law school. Please email <u>phideltaphi.wm@gmail.com</u> with any questions.

LECTURE BY ALAN GURA, GUEST OF THE FEDERALIST SOCIETY - March 31, 1:00-1:50 p.m., room 124 - The Federalist Society will host a lecture by Alan Gura, Partner at Gura and Possessky, PLC. Mr. Gura will provide his perspectives on litigating the Second Amendment in light of the Supreme Court's decision to hear the case of McDonald v. City of Chicago. He will also discuss the likelihood of the Court overturning the Slaughter-House cases.

FILM, "RECOUNT," FEATURING COMMENTARY BY BEN GINSBERG - March 31, 3:30-6:00 p.m., room 120 - The Election Law Society will feature a showing of the film "Recount." One of the main characters in the movie is Ben Ginsberg, a prominent D.C. attorney for the Republicans in the 2000 recount. As the Election Law Society's inaugural Speakers Series guest, the real Mr. Ginsburg will be on hand to answer questions and offer remarks after the movie.

ABA LAW STUDENT DIVISION NATIONAL AWARDS - Each year, the American Bar Association Law Student Division gives out awards to "recognize" the achievements of individual law students, law school organizations and law schools on a national level." The ABA gives out Diversity Awards, Public Interest Awards, Volunteer Income Tax Assistance Program Awards and Law School News Publication Awards among others. Please nominate your fellow students and groups from William and Mary for these prestigious national awards. For more information, visit<u>http://www.abanet.org/lsd/awards/</u> or contact Thomas Ryerson at<u>tdryerson@wm.edu</u>. The deadline for nominations is April 1, 2010.

HERBERT V. KELLY, SR., TEACHING PROGRAM: LECTURE BY DEAN DAVISON M. DOUGLAS - April 1, 3:30-5:00 p.m., room 124 - The Herbert V. Kelly, Sr., Teaching Program will host a lecture by Law School Dean Davison M. Douglas titled "Teaching as a Core Value."

EXAM CONFLICTS FORMS are now available and the deadline is Friday, April 2 at 5:00 pm.

BLSA SYMPOSIUM: THE WAR ON DRUGS - April 2, 2:00-7:00 p.m., McGlothlin Courtroom - The Black Law Students' Association will host a symposium to highlight the controversial issues and policy considerations surrounding the War on Drugs. Speakers include U.S. Congressman Bobby Scott, Judge Raymond Jackson of the U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Virginia, Judge Gary Hicks of Henrico County Drug Court, and Jasmine Tyler, Deputy Director of National Affairs at Drug Policy Alliance.

The registration deadline for the **2010 LEGAL TECHNOLOGY SUMMER SCHOOL PROGRAM** has been extended to Friday, April 16, 2010. The summer program runs from June 1-July 2, 2010. In today's legal job market, every opening for an attorney in private practice can draw hundreds of applicants. To stand out from the crowd, you need to optimize your competitiveness and

develop skills that prepare you to practice in a market where tech-savvy lawyers are in high demand. In 2010, Legal Technology Summer School Program will offer:

- Electronic Discovery and Data Seizures
- Evidence
- Internet Law
- Privacy in a Technological Age

The 2010 Legal Technology Summer School Program, June 1-July 2, 2010, is early enough to also accept a split schedule internship or attend W&M's Summer Law Program in Spain. Attend classes *four days a week for just five weeks and earn six credits* at a fraction of a regular semester's tuition. For more information, visit our website at <u>http://www.legaltechcenter.net</u> and follow the links for the Summer School. Students can drop by our office (211C) if they have questions, or they can contact Summer School Coordinator Mary Beth Dalton at 757-221-2494 or <u>medalt@wm.edu</u>. Applications are due Friday, April 16, 2010.

NEW!! W&M students can choose to register for one 3-hour course instead of two. Tuition will be charged at the regular rate: \$590/credit hour for in-state students, and \$1,000/credit hour for out-of-state students. Registration will be handled by the Center for Legal and Court Technology – contact Mary Beth Dalton, Summer School Coordinator at 757-221-2494 or medalt@wm.edu for registration information, or visit our website at http://www.legaltechcenter.net to download a registration form.

SUBLEASING YOUR APARTMENT/HOUSE: We are expecting at least six students from other law schools to attend the 2010 Legal Technology Summer School, most of whom are seeking local housing. If you are interested in subleasing your apartment or house for five weeks between May 31st and July 2nd, contact Mary Beth Dalton, Summer School Coordinator, at 757-221-2494 or <u>medalt@wm.edu</u> to list your property. Subleasing information will be immediately forwarded to our visiting students upon receipt.

STANLEY H. MERVIS '50 LECTURE: ANDREW CULBERT '81 OF MICROSOFT CORPORATION - April 6, 3:30-4:30 p.m., room 127 - Andrew Culbert, Chief Patent Counsel for Microsoft Corporation and a 1981 graduate of the Law School, will deliver the fifth annual Stanley H. Mervis Lecture in Intellectual Property titled "The Strategic Challenges of Managing Patent Litigation in the High-Tech Industry."

FILM: 9500 LIBERTY - April 6, 7:00-9:00 p.m., Andrews Hall 101 - The Asian Law Students Association and the Multicultural Law Students Association are among the organizations hosting a screening of the film "9500 Liberty," an award-winning documentary on the 2007 immigration debate in Prince William County, Virginia. The film's directors, Annabel Park and Eric Byler, will be on hand. Free and all are welcome.

WYTHE LECTURE: PROFESSOR TOM GINSBURG - April 8, 3:30-4:30 p.m., room 124 - Professor Tom Ginsburg of the University of Chicago Law School will present the 2010 Wythe Lecture titled "On the Evasion of Executive Term Limits."

CANCER DOESN'T SLEEP. NEITHER DO WE! Join us in the fight against cancer at Relay for Life at William & Mary Busch Field on April 9-10, 2010. What is Relay? The worldwide movement to end cancer. An overnight event to celebrate the lives of people who have had cancer, to remember those lost to cancer, and to fight back by supporting cancer research and programs. Throughout the night teams participate in fun activities and entertainment, while taking turns walking the track. Cancer never sleeps and neither do we! Remember why we fight for a cure! Donate a Luminaria!

Pricing: \$3.00 for a luminaria decorated by you \$4.00 for a luminaria decorated by Relay for Life Volunteers

Still have questions? Email Erin at <u>elskipper@wm.edu</u> or Chris at <u>ctlync@wm.edu</u>. Visit our website at <u>www.relayforlife.org/wm</u>.

ADMISSION

TOWNEBANK AND THE FAMILY OF ALVIN ANDERSON HAVE FUNDED A \$5,000 SCHOLARSHIP TO SUPPORT A SECOND-YEAR LAW STUDENT - They have asked that interested current firstyear students apply for this scholarship to be awarded for the 2010-2011 academic year. The successful applicant will exhibit the values and characteristics of the late Alvin Powers Anderson, B.A. '70, J.D. '72. Mr. Anderson was the epitome of the citizen lawyer as a successful and highly respected practitioner and an individual who was a leader in his community and at his *alma mater*.

The recipient will demonstrate a commitment to the highest integrity, personal excellence, academic success, leadership qualities, and community or public service. Additionally, finalists will be invited for a personal interview with representatives of TowneBank and the Anderson Family. Interested applicants need to apply to the Dean's Office by March 31 by submitting a CV and a one-page personal statement about themselves and their aspirations as a lawyer. Applicants must also be available for a personal interview the week of April 12.

HOUSING OPPORTUNITIES - The Admission Office would appreciate hearing from students/staff/faculty who knows of apartments and other housing opportunities that will be available for the coming academic year. If you are moving from a desirable location or looking for roommates next year, please email the particulars to lawadm@wm.edu. The information will be disbursed to new admits seeking housing in Williamsburg. Spread the word to contacts in **the community with affordable real estate options for students. Thanks for your help!**

FINANCIAL AID INFORMATION/PLANNING MEETINGS - Individual appointments are available for questions on financial aid, FAFSA preparation, lender terms, bar loans, loan consolidation/repayment and tax-related matters. Appointments may be scheduled with Jennifer Meier, Assistant Director for Student Loans and Graduate Aid, for individual meetings at the Law School on the following Wednesday afternoons: March 31 and April 14 & 28. Please stop by the Admission Office to reserve an appointment time. You may schedule an appointment on other days in Blow Memorial Hall by emailing your request to jmmeie@wm.edu.

FINANCIAL AID / SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Fredrikson & Byron Minority Scholarship Program is offering a \$10,000 award to a first-year law student of diverse background. Deadline is March 31, 2010. For more information visit http://fredlaw.com/firm/scholarship.htm

LeClairRyan has announced the second *LeClairRyan–Oliver W. Hill Scholarship*. The award, in the amount of \$5,000, will be given to a student of color at a Virginia or Washington, D.C. law school who most exemplifies the late Oliver W. Hill's qualities of legal excellence and selfless dedication to the fight for justice. LeClairRyan will select the scholarship recipient based on the following criteria:

- Enrolled in good standing at a Virginia or Washington D.C. law school
- At least one semester of law school completed
- Law school GPA of at least 2.5
- Plans to practice in Virginia after graduation.

To apply for the LeClairRyan–Oliver W. Hill Scholarship, please complete and submit an application along with resume, law school transcript, one letter of recommendation from a professor or member of the Bar, and an essay on pursuing social justice through the law (2,000 word maximum) by March 31, 2010. For more information please go to http://www.leclairryan.com/news/xprNewsDetail.aspx?xpST=NewsDetail&news=457. To access the application, please go to http://www.leclairryan.com/files/Uploads/Documents/LeClairRyan-Oliver%20Hill%20application.pdf.

DRI Diversity Scholarship – Two \$10,000 scholarships are open to incoming second and thirdyear African American, Hispanic, Asian, Pan Asian, Native American and female. For more information and an application, visit <u>www.dri.org</u> and click on Diversity Scholarship. The deadline for submission is May 3, 2010.

OFFICE OF DEVELOPMENT AND ALUMNI AFFAIRS

Dear Faculty and Administrators:

You are cordially invited to attend **ALUMNI WEEKEND 2010** on April 16-17. The weekend features celebration dinners for the Classes of 1970, 1975, 1980, 1985, 1990, 1995, 2000, 2005, and also invited are the most recent graduates, the Class of 2009. We will invite the graduating Class of 2010 for their 3L Class Dinner. You are welcome to come to any event at no charge.

For the first time, we will have a volleyball competition on the front lawn and we would like to have a team of Faculty and Administrators participate. Professor Vivian Hamilton will be the captain for the faculty. We will have teams of students, as well as teams of Alumni and we hope you'll join in the fun. Please contact Kathy Pond at <u>ktpond@wm.edu</u> or Vivian at <u>vhamilton@wm.edu</u> by April 2 if you can play. Remember there is no charge for you to participate in any event for the weekend and we would love for you to be our guests at the picnic on Saturday, as well as the class dinners at the Woodlands that evening. Just let me know so we'll be sure to have a nametag for you. Brochures and registration forms are on the mail room table.

If you'd like to come, please complete a registration form and return it to the Office of Development and Alumni Affairs. You can also fill out a registration form by going to <u>http://law.wm.edu/alumni/reunion/index.php</u>. Thank you and we hope you can join us.

OFFICE OF CAREER SERVICES

Website of the Week - The Law Library reference staff publishes a series of **Career Guides** to help you choose your legal career path. Guides are available on 17 topics: Alternative Careers, Communications, Criminal, Environmental, Family and Domestic Relations, Health Care, Immigration, In-House Corporate, Intellectual Property, International, Labor and Employment, National Security, Public Interest, Securities, Solo Practice, Sports and Entertainment, and Tax Law. <u>http://law.wm.edu/library/research/researchguides/careerguides/index.php</u>

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Equal Justice Works Summer Corps Program engages law students around the country who are expanding the delivery of legal services to those who need it most. Summer Corps is an AmeriCorps-funded program that in 2010 will provide 355 law students with the opportunity to earn a \$1,000 education award voucher for dedicating their summer to a qualifying legal project at a nonprofit public interest organization. Summer Corps members provide critically needed legal assistance in low-income and underserved communities in the United States on a broad range of issue areas. Beginning April 1, the 2010 Summer Corps application will become available on the Equal Justice Works web site at http://www.equaljusticeworks.org/programs/summercorps/. The application deadline is April 16, 2010.

Attention 3Ls: Post-Graduate Public Service Fellowships: W&M Law School offers postgraduate public service fellowships for third-year students providing temporary assistance to government or public interest organizations following graduation. Eligible organizations include civil legal services offices; public defenders; prosecutors; federal, state, and local government agencies; 501(c)(3) organizations; non-U.S. nonprofit organizations with a public service mission; legislative offices; and judges and courts. Political campaign work is not eligible. A full fellowship is \$3,600 for 400 hours. You may seek funding for as many hours as you want, up to the 400-hour maximum. You may assist part-time, full-time, or a combination of the two up to 400 total hours. You also may seek funding for fewer than 400 hours. You are not obligated to assist for a specified number of hours. If you secure a full-time, permanent position or have another change in circumstances, you may, with your organization's consent, discontinue your fellowship and return any unused funding to the Law School. To receive a fellowship, you need to (1) secure an offer for a position to be funded by a post-graduate fellowship; (2) have the organization send to you a letter that conforms to the requirements in the program description; and (3) let Dean Kaplan know as soon as possible that you have lined up a position. **The application deadline is May 15,** but these fellowships are allocated on a rolling basis until the money runs out.

Attention 1Ls and 2Ls: It seems early to think about next summer and fall, however, please keep the dates listed below in mind so you won't inadvertently create conflicts as you make plans for summer 2010 -- jobs, vacations, and study abroad. For the off-campus interview programs you will need to have application materials ready between early June and mid-July; for employers interviewing on campus during August, you will need to prepare your materials by August 1.

- July 4-August 4: William & Mary Summer Program in Madrid
- July 29-30: Patent Law Interview Program (for employers throughout U.S.; held in Chicago)
- July 30-31: Southeastern Minority Job Fair (for employers throughout U.S.; held in Atlanta)
- August 6: Texas Interview Program (for employers in Texas; held in Dallas)
- August 12-13: Northeast Interview Program (for employers in New York, New Jersey, and Connecticut; held in NYC)
- August 16: Chicago Interview Program (for Chicago employers)
- August 18: Fall on-campus interviews begin
- August 23: 2L and 3L classes begin

The *National Center for Adoption Law & Policy* at Capital University Law School in Columbus, Ohio has announced their 2010 Summer Institutes: **The Interdisciplinary Child Welfare Institute** (July 26-30) and the **Summer Adoption Law Institute** (August 2-6). Both courses are one-week intensive two credit hour classes. For more details and to register, go to the following Website: http://www.law.capital.edu/adoption/.

SUMMER HOUSING

Looking for summer housing outside Williamsburg? Law students seeking summer housing in the cities where they'll be working are invited to participate in NALP's online National Apartment Exchange. The site facilitates summer sublets of apartments currently being used by law students in cities across the country who will be in another city for the summer. Just visit <u>www.nalpexchange.org</u> and you can search for summer housing opportunities from all around the country beginning in early February. The Apartment Exchange will be available through May 2010.

Other Summer Housing Options - The NALP site listed above is free. Another site that does not charge any fees is <u>www.craigslist.org</u>. The web site <u>www.sublet.com</u> will, for a fee, give you 90 days of access to listings for sublets available around the country. Before paying the fee, you can see if they have any listings in your target city and the cost of the service, which varies depending on the city or region you pick.

Check colleges and universities in your target city, since they often have housing options available to students for the summer.

In Atlanta:

• Emory University offers housing to students working in Atlanta for the summer. See <u>www.emory.edu/sihp/</u>.

In Chicago

 The School of the Art Institute of Chicago offers loft-style rooms with private baths and kitchenettes in the heart of the city. The rooms include a full-size refrigerator and stove, private phone line with voice mail, high-speed Internet connection, cable TV, and more. See <u>http://www.saic.edu/life/housing/index.html#summer</u>.

In New York City

- Furnished apartments are available through NYU School of Law's Summer Living in New York program in Manhattan. For more information, see <u>http://www.law.nyu.edu/housing/index.htm</u>.
- Educational Housing Services is a not-for-profit organization offering fully furnished rooms in newly renovated residences in prime neighborhoods throughout New York City. There is a student membership fee of \$150. For more information, go to <u>http://www.studenthousing.org/</u>.

In Washington, D.C.:

• American University provides summer intern housing as well. For details, go to <u>http://www.american.edu/ocl/housing/intern-housing.cfm</u>.

Please note: OCS is providing these resources solely as a convenience to students. Inclusion does not constitute a recommendation/endorsement of any housing option you may find through these resources. It is up to you to determine whether a particular property is appropriate for your circumstances.

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

OCS Express: Got a quick question about your job search? Want help finding the perfect opening for your cover letter? Want to see some of the latest job search resources? On **Monday, March 29 and April 5, from 12:30-2:00 p.m.**, OCS staff will be on hand in the lobby to answer students' questions about any job search topic. Feel free to stop by the table on your way to or from class.

Thursday, April 1, 12:50-1:50 p.m., Room 133, *Bankruptcy Careers: A Judicial Perspective*.

Wednesday, April 14, 1:00-1:50 p.m., Room 119, Now You're Hired, Don't Get Fired/Get a Jump on Your Fall Job Search.

WRITING COMPETITIONS

Throughout the academic year we receive announcements regarding essay competitions and invitations to submit papers for publication in law reviews and journals. This information is posted on a bulletin board in OCS and in OCS Resources for Students on Blackboard. In addition to the intellectual and often economic benefits of these contests, the competitions are another way for you to demonstrate your legal writing abilities to employers. Because they are often sponsored by bar associations and other professional groups, they also provide excellent networking opportunities. Keep in mind that faculty members are a good source of ideas and guidance if you decide to participate. We have recently posted information regarding the following writing competitions:

The Federal Circuit Bar Association is sponsoring the **2010 George Hutchinson Writing Competition**. Entries to the competition may discuss any topic that lies within the procedure, substance or scope of the jurisdiction of the Federal Circuit Court of Appeals. Specifically, the Court's jurisdiction includes appeals from all patent litigation nationwide, Patent and Trademark Office decisions, government contract claims, International Trade Commission, Merit Systems Appeals, and Veterans Appeals. \$3,000 will be awarded to the student who submits the winning entry. Second and third place cash prizes may also be awarded at the discretion of the judges. **Submissions must be postmarked by June 30, 2010.**

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