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NEWSWORTHY NEWS



CONGRATULATIONS TO THE WILLIAM & MARY TRIAL TEAM on their continuing success in winning national competitions! Last weekend, W&M sent a team to the Allegheny County Bar Association's Gourley Tournament held in Pittsburgh. Only eight law schools are invited annually to compete in this prestigious trial competition, presided over by federal judges. This year, the William and Mary team of *Josh DeFord, Jess Hass*, and *Brandon Boxler*

won the Gourley Tournament -- this is the third time during the past four years that W&M has won this national trial team competition.

Also last weekend W&M sent two teams to the Texas Young Lawyer's Association National Trial Competition Regional Finals. W&M's team of *Mike Nicholas* and *Brian Cannon* went undefeated in four rounds and qualified for the National Finals to be held in Dallas later this semester.

These successes, coupled with the trial team's victory at the recent George Mason Law School trial competition, leaves our trial team with a remarkable record in 2010, solidifying the trial team's place as one of the dominant powers in the law school trial team competition world.

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE WILLIAM & MARY MOOT COURT TEAM on their recent successes! At a moot court tournament held at Regent Law School February 5-7, a W&M team comprised of *Chris Healy, Josh DeFord,* and *Alyssa Miller* won the tournament, while another W&M team comprised of *Stephen Barry, Brandon Boxler,* and *Sean Marotta* finished second (and received recognition for filing the best brief at the competition). *Chris Healy* won best oralist at the Regent competition, while *Sean Marotta* won third best oralist.

More recently, *Todd Torres* and *Jess Kuehn* competed at George Washington Law School's National Security Law Tournament held February 12-13, and received recognition for filing the second best brief at that competition.

Finally, W&M concluded its annual Bushrod Moot Court Competition last week (this is the Law School's internal moot court competition). *Andrew Ferguson* was the overall winner of the competition, and *Andrew Grindrod* was the runner up. This year marks the 230th anniversary of the first moot court held at a law school in the United States -- George Wythe introduced moot courts to American legal education here at W&M in 1780. We are pleased that our moot court team continues this long tradition and is doing so with great success.

CONGRATULATIONS to the new executive officers of the Student Bar Association: *Tamar Jones*, President, *Stephen Barry*, Vice President, *Jay Sinha*, Secretary, *and Lauren Santabar*, Treasurer. Also elected were the following class representatives:

- 3L Representative Todd Torres
- 3L Representative Daniel Cogley
- 2L Representative Rob Manoso
- 2L Representative Brittany Lee-Richardson



CONGRATULATIONS to Gloria Todd ... she is the proud grandmother of *Cadence Elisabeth Todd*. Cadence is the daughter of Gaven and Tasha Todd. She was born on February 18, 8:15 p.m., was 20-3/4" long and weighed 7 lbs. 2 oz.

CONGRATULATIONS to Nicole Green on the publication of the debut romance novel, Love *Out* of *Order*. Love *Out of Order* is the story of Denise Rich, a model student who has never had time for matters of the heart ... until John Archer comes along and turns her world upsidedown.

CONGRATULATIONS to the W.C. Jefferson Chapter of BLSA at the Law School. The chapter was awarded the 2010 MABLSA Regional Chapter of the Year Award at the MABLSA Regional Convention which was held earlier this month in Norfolk, VA.

THE LOAN REPAYMENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM COMMITTEE (Judy Conti '94, Dave Dalke '93, Amy Dardinger '10, Jim Dwyer, Jessica Hass, Rob Kaplan, Sally Kellam, John Levy, Terri Lorincz, and Faye Shealy) is pleased to announce this year's awards from the law school's Loan Repayment Assistance Program.

New awards for 2010:

Eric Jewell '09 - Gloucester Commonwealth's Attorney (Gloucester, VA) Paul Karasick '09 - State Attorney, 12th Judicial Circuit (Bradenton, FL) Christopher Lindsey '08 - Texas Attorney General, Law Enforcement Defense Division (Austin, TX) Thomas Poole '07 - Miami-Dade State Attorney (Miami, FL) Michael Smith '09 - Gloucester Commonwealth's Attorney (Gloucester, VA)

Awards renewed from 2009:

Julian Carr '07 - People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals (Norfolk, VA) Alex Chasick '08 - Consumers Union (Washington, DC) Kelly Gastley '05 - Philadelphia VIP (Philadelphia, PA) Rajdeep Jolly '06 - The Sikh Coalition (New York, NY) Sarah Landres '08 - New Hampshire Public Defender (Dover, NH) Alexis McLeod '07 - International Justice Mission (Mumbai, India) Dathan Young '06 - Blue Ridge Legal Services (Harrisonburg, VA)

DONATE YOUR LEXIS POINTS TO HAITIAN RELIEF EFFORTS – Want to donate to the recovery efforts in Haiti but don't have money to spare? You're not alone. Fortunately, you can still help. Both LexisNexis and Westlaw allow users to donate their accumulated points to the recovery

effort. So far, Lexis's efforts alone have raised more than \$98,672. To donate on LexisNexis, just sign in, click on rewards, then click on the Haiti-Red Cross graphic to donate your points. To donate on Westlaw, click on the Haiti-Red Cross graphic on the home page.



NEW ON LAW LIBRARY RESERVE - The library has received two new sets of audio lectures on CD, in Gilbert's Law School Legends series: ANTITRUST (6 discs), and SECURITIES REGULATION (9 discs). CD sets on reserve check out for two days at a time. Just ask at the Circulation Desk! To see our other subjects on CD, you can search the "Reserve Desk" in the online catalog for LAW

AUDIO: <u>https://lion.wm.edu/uhtbin/cgisirsi/0/0/0/57/36/485/X?user_id=LAWPUB</u>

WANT TO WRITE FOR THE LAW SCHOOL'S NEWSPAPER? The former *Marshall Wythe Press* is being resurrected in 2010 under an exciting new title. We are looking for students from the law school who would be interested in writing, reporting, or working on the editing process. No experience is necessary, although it is desirable. Anyone interested should contact our content editor, Eric Scalzo, at <u>eascalzo@wm.edu</u>.

CALLING ALL CITIZEN LAWYERS! Would you like to network with William & Mary Law alumni and make some extra cash, all while helping your Law School? *If so, consider joining the Law Alumni Phonathon Team!* During the weeks of March 15 and 22, we'll call on our alumni to ask for their support to the Law School Annual Fund. It's on-site and we provide all of the necessary training. Plus, it's a fun way to earn some extra money, network with our esteemed alumni and strengthen William & Mary Law! To apply: please stop in to the Alumni & Development Office (in the North Wing) and speak to Christina Smith-Lewis, or email her at cslewis@wm.edu.

NEED TO KNOW

COMMUNITY SERVICE UPDATES - If you would like to receive the Community Service Newsletter, please e-mail Mandi Soberick, <u>alsoberick@wm.edu</u>, to be added to the Community Service list serve. Also, if your organization will be hosting a service event or drive this semester, please e-mail information about your event to Mandi so that it can be included in the SBA Community Service newsletter and on the website.

THE COMMITTEE ON SUSTAINABILITY WILL HELP GREEN YOUR CLUB EVENT - Putting on an event, and want to incorporate recycling? You are in luck! William and Mary now offers a free event recycling kit. The kit includes light weight, easy to use recycling and trash containers. The containers can be placed at any event to help encourage attendees to dispose of their waste responsibly.

Visit <u>http://www.wm.edu/sites/sustainability/getinvolved/eventrecyclingkit/</u> for more information and to place a request.

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

The WILLIAM & MARY JOURNAL OF WOMEN AND THE LAW will present their annual symposium titled "A Man's World? Challenges and Solutions as Women Take Center Stage in the Global Theater" on February 27 in the McGlothlin Courtroom from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Professors with expertise in the fields of gender and international law will discuss the discuss and present solutions to challenges that women face in the areas of rural development, international trade, constitution – building in post-conflict countries, gender equality, and religious fundamentalism. Free to public. Breakfast and lunch will be provided. Please contact Laura Stewart at lastewart@wm.edu with any questions or to pre-register.

LECTURE ON JUVENILE JUSTICE BY JAN ROLTSCH-ANOLL - Jan Roltsch-Anoll, a 1984 graduate of the Law School, will present a lecture on juvenile justice. Ms. Roltsch-Anoll practices law with Szabo, Zelnick & Erickson in Woodbridge, Virginia, where she is a partner in the litigation practice. She also is a substitute judge for a juvenile court in northern Virginia and was recognized as one of the "Influential Women in Virginia" in 2009 by Virginia Lawyers Media. The lecture is free and all are welcome. The event will be hosted by Dean Douglas, the Children's Advocacy Law Society, and the George Wythe Society of Citizen Lawyers. **POWERSCORE TO VISIT CAMPUS** - Tuesday, March 2, Anne Chaconas is Director of Admissions Counseling for PowerScore Inc. (<u>www.powerscore.com</u>), a national test preparation and admission counseling company. She is researching and writing *The PowerScore Guide to Top U.S. Law Schools*. As part of her research, she is visiting law schools across the country, meeting with current students and alumni and interviewing admission deans. We encourage you to extend a welcome to her and answer her questions/provide helpful information for her research. She wants to know how much you love William & Mary - let her know!

7TH CONFERENCE ON PRIVACY AND PUBLIC ACCESS TO COURT RECORDS - March 4-5, Williamsburg Hospitality House - The Center for Legal and Court Technology and the National Center for State Courts, with the assistance of the Administrative Office of the United States Courts and distinguished members of several state court systems, will host the 7th Conference on Privacy and Public Access to Court Records. For more information and to register, contact the Center for Legal and Court Technology at (757)221-2494

NDLSC ANNUAL CONVENTION IN WASHINGTON, DC - The National Democratic Law Schools' Council, an organization representing the Democratic Party at nearly all 196 ABA approved law schools from around the country, is pleased to announce that the 5th annual convention will be held at The George Washington University Law School March 12-14 with Catholic University Law School sponsoring the final day of events.

The convention entitled "Maintaining the Momentum: Organizing for Change in the Age of Obama," will feature national legal experts such as Douglas F. Gansler, Maryland Attorney General and Democratic Attorneys General Co-Chair, Lawrence Noble, FMR. FEC General Counsel, Joe Sandler, FMR. DNC General Counsel and current Principal of Sandler, Reiff & Young, and many more national political leaders.

Law students will also have a chance to participate in panel discussions covering A variety of topics including voter protection, campaign finance, terrorism, healthcare, blogging, immigration and the environment. Additionally, the convention will feature a number of networking opportunities for students who are interested in pursuing careers with the federal government and other agencies.

To register or to view the list of speakers and events, please go to <u>www.lawschooldems.org</u>. For more information, please call Brad Cromes at (937) 407-2414 or email at <u>bcromes@lawschooldems.org</u>.

Last chance to investigate the **2010 LEGAL TECHNOLOGY SUMMER SCHOOL!** On Tuesday, March 16, 1:00-2:00 p.m., in Room 135 the Center for Legal and Court Technology (CLCT) is holding its *final* Information Session for students interested in the 2010 Legal Technology Summer School. The summer session runs June 1-July 2, 2009.

Attend classes **four days a week for just five weeks and earn six credits** at a fraction of a regular semester's tuition. Best of all, you'll finish in time to also accept an externship, or to attend W&M's Summer Law Program in Spain.

Course options have been expanded this year to include:

- E-Discovery and Data Seizures
- Evidence
- Technology-Augmented Law Office Management
- Internet Law
- Privacy in a Technological Age
- Technology-Augmented Trial Advocacy

NOTE: After the current Spring 2010 semester, Internet Law will only be offered during Summer School.

Applications are due by Friday, April 2, at 5:00 p.m. Interested students can pick up applications at the Information Session on March 16, download a copy at http://www.legaltechcenter.net/training/summerschool/index.html, stop by the Center for Legal and Court Technology in Room 211C, or contact Summer School Coordinator Mary Beth Dalton at medalt@wm.edu.

ALI'S RUN - The Sixth Annual Ali's 5K Run/Walk will take place on Saturday, March 20, 2010. The event benefits the William & Mary campus bone marrow drive and is in memory of Alison Ruth Kaplan. On-site registration and check-in at the Law School will begin at 9:00 a.m. The race will start at 10:00 a.m. at Bicentennial Park, South Henry Street, Williamsburg. The registration fee includes a t-shirt. To register in advance or for questions, contact Andrew Reeve at <u>AReeve132@gmail.com</u>. Sponsored by the Law School's Bone Marrow Drive Committee.

BARRISTERS' BALL - The biggest event of the year — our Law School gala — is scheduled for March 20! Tickets are now on sale. This year's Barrister's Ball will be held on Saturday, March 20, 9:00 p.m.-1:30 a.m. at the Williamsburg Marriott at Kingsmill. Tickets are now on sale through the SBA website (<u>www.wmsba.com</u>) and will be on sale in the law school lobby Tuesday, March 2 through Thursday, March 4. We will announce post-spring break lobby sale dates later in the month.

PHI DELTA PHI SEEKING NEW MEMBERS! Interested in joining a legal fraternity promoting professional ethics? Applications to join are due on Wednesday, March 31st at 12noon. The Spring 2010 initiation ceremony will be on Wednesday, March 31 at 6:00 p.m. at the law school. Please email <u>phideltaphi.wm@gmail.com</u> with any questions.

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

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

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!**

OLIVER HILL SCHOLARSHIP – The Oliver Hill Scholarship is awarded to a student who is committed to the objectives, goals, and principles of the Black Law Students Association (BLSA) at William & Mary Law School. The recipient must demonstrate a commitment to personal excellence, social justice, and advancing and protecting civil rights of all citizens. Students in good standing at the Law School, who demonstrate financial need, exhibit leadership abilities in the Law School or the community and display a record of public or community service are eligible. Interested students must apply for the scholarship by submitting two copies of the following to the Dean's Office by March 15: resumé, statement (no more than one double-spaced page) that describes how the student meets the criteria and an essay (no more than two double-spaced pages) on the topic "How Oliver Hill's achievements have had an impact on my life? Please be sure to submit all materials by *March 15, 2010*.

FINANCIAL AID FOR THE 2010-2011 ACADEMIC YEAR - Information regarding financial aid for the 2010-2011 academic year was sent to all 1Ls and 2Ls via email from Associate Dean Faye Shealy on January 27, 2010. If you did not receive this important information, please contact Dean Shealy. The FAFSA located at <u>www.fafsa.gov</u> is required for all need-based funds and educational loans and that important form should be completed and submitted by March 15, 2010. William & Mary's Title IV Federal School Code is 003705. IMPORTANT NOTE: Most Law School aid in the form of fellowships and scholarships is awarded and packaged based on residency status for each student. Aid initially awarded to out-of-state students reclassified as in-state students must go through the re-award process. Students are responsible for notifying Dean Shealy if they apply for and obtain in-state status. LGPA and class rank will be considered for any new merit-awards if funds become available.

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 3, 17 & 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

Porzio, Bromberg & Newman \$5,000 Diversity Scholarship is open to first-year law students, who are both U.S. and New Jersey residents and have received a minimum of a 3.3 GPA at his/her undergraduate institution. The application deadline is March 1. For more information and an application, please visit their website at http://www.pbnlaw.com/Scholarship/Workplace_Diversity_Committee_-___scholarship_Application.pdf

The *Finnegan Diversity Scholarship* offers a \$15,000 award to qualified first-year minority law students who have demonstrated a commitment to pursuing a career in IP law. The award recipient will also accept an offer to join the firm as a summer associate in one of their domestic offices (Atlanta, Cambridge, Palo Alto, Reston or Washington). The deadline for applications is March 1. For more information and an application visit www.finnegan.com/finneganacceptingapplicationsfor20102011diversityscholarshipjanuary420 10/.

Black Women Lawyers Association Scholarship Program is open to second and third-year fulltime law students who intend to practice in California. Recipients are selected based on financial need, community service, academic achievement and legal writing ability. For more information and an application, stop by the Admission Office. Deadline March 5, 2010.

The Oliver W. Hill & Samuel W. Tucker Scholarship, offered by the Hill Tucker Bar Association is open to all first-year law students attending schools in Virginia. For more information and an application, please stop by the Admission Office. Each scholarship recipient will be required to attend the award dinner on April 16, 2010 at the Sheraton Richmond West Hotel. The application deadline is March 17, 2010.

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 <u>http://fredlaw.com/firm/scholarship.htm</u>

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

OFFICE OF CAREER SERVICES

Web Site of the Week - The Fedworld Homepage has links to almost every federal government home page. <u>www.fedworld.gov</u>.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Interested in Patent Law? Do you plan to take the patent bar exam? 1Ls and 2Ls are eligible to register for the Loyola Patent Law Interview Program, which will take place on July 29-30 in Chicago. Law students are required to register on line by March 8. There is a non-refundable \$35 registration fee that must be paid by credit card at the time of registration. Several W&M law students have landed job opportunities through this event in past years. For more information and to register, go to the Loyola University Chicago Law School's Web site: http://www.luc.edu/law/career/patent_students.html.

Applying for a Government or Public Interest Summer Job? Funding available through W&M may help you get that job! There are several Fellowship Programs that provide stipends of up to \$3,600 for students who secure summer internships with employers who are unable to provide funding or can only provide partial funding. The availability of funds through W&M enhances your candidacy with employers. There is a one-page handout available on the display racks in OCS that describes W&M's various Fellowship Programs for the summer of 2010. Please feel free to include this flier with your resumes and cover letters to government and public service employers. In your cover letter, you may want to indicate that "William & Mary has several public interest [or government] summer funding sources, as detailed on the enclosed sheet." The application process for these fellowships is very competitive, and you must have a written offer of employment in order to apply for funding. 2Ls, please note the message below about the "early decision" process. The application deadline for "early decision" funding is Friday, March 26 at 5:00 p.m.

Attention 3Ls: Post-Graduate Public Service Fellowships: The Law School offers post-graduate 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.

Summer Job Opportunities for 1Ls and 2Ls: Faculty Summer Research Assistantships: The Office of Career Services has surveyed the faculty regarding their plans to hire Research Assistants, their areas of research, the hours and weeks expected, and what and when application materials are due. We have compiled the results in a table, which is posted in OCS Resources for Students on Blackboard under "Faculty Summer RAs." There have been recent additions to the list as well. There are over 30 research assistant opportunities available. Some of the application deadlines are soon; others are later in the semester. However, we advise interested students not to wait. Faculty members frequently conclude the process as soon as the right student comes along. The table in OCS Services for Students on Blackboard explains the application procedure and requirements. If you have any questions, please contact OCS.

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

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 free 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 appears to be free 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 what the fee is, 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 1 and March 15, from 12:30-2:00PM, 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.

Tuesday, March 2, Room 133, 12:50-1:50 p.m.: Starting and Building Your Own Practice

Wednesday, March 3, Room 141, 12:50-1:50 p.m.: Health Care Law Careers

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 Sixth Annual Colloquium on the Law of Futuristic Persons, hosted by Terasem Movement, Inc., is calling for law student papers to be presented at their event on December 10, 2010. The chosen participant will receive a \$1,000 honorarium. The submission deadline is September 10, 2010. For more information, go to <u>www.terasemcentral.org</u>.

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