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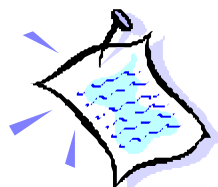
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NEWSWORTHY NEWS



CONGRATULATIONS to the Law School's National Trial Team which won the John C. Costello National Criminal Trial Advocacy Tournament held at George Mason Law School. A second W&M team finished third. Both W&M teams actually won their semi-final rounds, but because each had represented the defense side of the case in the semi-finals, only one of them could advance to the finals. The winning W&M team members were Hunter Allen, Lindsay Naiman, and Madelyn Buckley. The third place W&M team members were Sara Chamberlain, Brianna Coakley, and Caitlyn Cotter. W&M has had a remarkably successful National Trial Team in recent years, regularly winning national trial team competitions. This year's group is upholding that tradition of success.

TO FACULTY, ADMINISTRATORS, & STAFF: The Public Service Fund's (PSF) annual fundraising auction will be held on February 20 and the planning is in full swing! Your donations have always been incredibly important to the success of the Auction, and you have been generous and creative in your donations over the Auction's history. Donations have included dinners/cocktail parties at your homes, lunch/dinner at a restaurant with you, and creative student outings with you (*i.e.*, golfing, baseball games). Given the state of our current economy, PSF funding for students looking to do unpaid public service work will likely be in higher demand than in any year in recent history. The annual PSF Auction is PSF's biggest fundraiser and a successful event is necessary to maximize the amount of funding available to students this year. We really need your help!! We welcome any and all donations you're willing to make to the Auction and we encourage your generosity and creativity. The law students really value the opportunity to spend time with faculty, administrators, and staff outside the law school, and your donated packages of all kinds typically earn a pretty penny. Please contact Victoria McNamee at Victoria.McNamee@gmail.com to arrange to make a donation or with any questions about the Auction. The PSF Auction Committee thanks you in advance for your generosity!

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. LexisNexis is allowing users to donate their accumulated Lexis points to the recovery effort. So far, more than \$23,000 has been raised. Just sign in to LexisNexis, click on rewards, then click on the Haiti-Red Cross graphic to donate your points.

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 eascalzo@wm.edu.

JOIN THE MULTICULTURAL LAW STUDENTS ASSOCIATION (MLSA) - Do you have a commitment to cultural awareness, international community service, and inclusion? Contact us at mclawsa@wm.edu to find out more.

MLSA WINTER CLOTHING DRIVE - Clothing in all sizes is needed. Collection boxes are in located in the student lounge. MLSA will be collecting through mid-February. Proceeds go to the Freedom House homeless shelter network in Richmond, VA.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

100 NIGHTS - Attention all 3Ls! 100 Nights is TONIGHT from 7-10:00 p.m. at Trinkle Hall on the main campus. The event is hosted by Alumni Affairs at no cost to 3Ls. You may bring a date. Wine, beer, and refreshments will be served. Please don your best cocktail attire and join the class of 2010 for a fun night of dancing! Dean Douglas will give a short speech and a slideshow will be shown comprised of pictures you send in. The more people to upload pictures for the slideshow, the better! You can do this by going to <http://www.shutterfly.com>. The login email is law.marshall.wythe@gmail.com; password: 100nights.

TREES FOR PEACE - *Tu B'Shvat* is the Jewish New Year for the trees, but its environmentally friendly message is relevant to everyone. The holiday takes place on January 29 this year. Many Jews celebrate *Tu B'Shvat* by donating money to the Jewish National Fund (JNF), an agency that plants trees in Israel.

The Black Law Students Association, Environmental Law Society, W&M Hillel, and the Jewish Law Students Association have joined forces to raise money for JNF to plant trees in Israel. As a tribute to Coretta Scott King, activist and the late wife of Martin Luther King, Jr., a section of forest which was destroyed by Hezbollah rockets in 2006 will be replanted as the Coretta Scott King Forest.

How can you help? Together we can rebuild Israel's northern forests, help protect the planet from climate change, and carry on Coretta Scott King's message of peace. Every \$18 = one tree planted – so a contribution in any amount will be much appreciated! To contribute, give cash or check (checks made out to “JNF”) to Jessie Coulter, Joel Davidson (checks may also go in his hanging file), Myron McClees, or Allison Mickel by February 4. The results of this initiative will be announced on February 5 during “The Role of Jews in the Civil Rights Movement.” Guest speaker **RABBI MICHAEL PANITZ** of Temple Israel in Norfolk will be speaking about the role Jews played in the civil rights movement. For more info, contact kphuds@wm.edu.

ELPR SYMPOSIUM: REGULATING ENERGY SOURCES WITH RENEWABLE ENERGY PORTFOLIO STANDARDS - January 29, 1:00 p.m. - January 30, 1:00 p.m., Rooms 119 and 124 - Leaders in government, academia, and industry will make presentations about the legal, political, and economic considerations associated with renewable energy portfolio standards on a state and national level. Sponsored by the William and Mary Environmental Law and Policy Review

(ELPR). Please contact elprsymposium@gmail.com to register or for more info about CLE credit.

BONE MARROW DRIVE'S ANNUAL POKER TOURNAMENT will be held on Sunday, January 31 at noon. The \$20 *buy in* includes free beverages, pizza, snacks and prizes for the top players! Sign-up in the lobby starting Tuesday, January 26. Remember! All proceeds from the tournament subsidize the spring Bone Marrow Drive! Playing poker will save lives!

AUCTION EMCEE AUDITIONS: PSF is looking for the next great Auction Emcee! All law students are welcome to audition. If you are interested please e-mail Tori McNamee at vmmcnamee@wm.edu. Auditions will occur Monday, February 1 after 8:30 p.m.

STUDENT LEGAL SERVICES VOLUNTEER MEETING - SLS will be holding a meeting for all volunteers on Monday, February 1 at 1:00 p.m. in room 124. All current volunteers, please attend if possible. Bring any questions you have and suggestions for improving SLS. If you're interested in becoming a volunteer, email ryanruzic@googlemail.com. All class years are welcome (we particularly need 2L and 3Ls to fill some open shifts).

JAG DAY - The Military & Veterans Law Society and the Office of Career Services will be co-hosting "JAG Day" on February 2 at 12:50 p.m. in Room 119. JAG (Judge Advocate General) officers from each branch of the military will offer brief presentations and answer questions. Come hear about the unique opportunities available to JAG attorneys and learn about the similarities and differences of JAG duties across the branches of service. Pizza and other refreshments will be provided.

ABA GENERAL INTEREST MEETING - Wednesday February 3 at 1:00 pm in Room 119 - If you're looking for opportunities to help W&M gain national prominence, and to help your job prospects through networking with other law schools, please join us this coming Wednesday for pizza and to hear information regarding some exciting coming opportunities through the ABA. These opportunities include applying for national positions with the full support of your SBA. If you'd like information regarding these positions and how SBA can support you, please attend the meeting! Contact Zack DeMeola (zjdemeola@wm.edu) or Thomas Ryerson (tdryerson@wm.edu) if you have any questions.

EXPLORE YOUR SUMMER 2010 OPTIONS - On Wednesday, February 3 at 1:00 p.m. in Room 135, the 2010 the Center for Legal and Court Technology will hold an Information Session for students interested in applying for the 2010 Legal Technology Summer School. Students and faculty from previous summer sessions will be on hand to share their experiences and answer your questions. Course options have been expanded this year to include:

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

Interested students can download applications online at www.legaltechcenter.net/aspx/summerschool/aspx, stop by the Center for Legal and Court Technology in Room 211C, or contact Summer School Coordinator Mary Beth Dalton at medalt@wm.edu. Applications are due April 2. Bring your lunch on February 3 – we'll supply soft drinks and dessert.

FOR 2LS INTERESTED IN STUDYING ABROAD THIS FALL (and 1Ls who want to plan ahead!): **SEMESTER EXCHANGE INFORMATIONAL SESSION** - Professor Rosenberg will be holding a semester exchange informational session on Thursday, February 4 in room 138 at 1:00 p.m. You can study in Madrid, Beijing, Luxembourg, Tokyo, New Zealand, Hong Kong, or Vienna – come find out how! Visit our web site to download an application: <http://law.wm.edu/academics/programs/studyabroad/semesterexchange/index.php>

VIRGINIA BAR ASSOCIATION MEETING RESCHEDULED - The first meeting of the VBA Law School Council has been moved to Monday, February 8 at 1:00 p.m. in room 124. Pizza will be provided. We'll be discussing the semester's upcoming educational, social, and service events. All current and new members are welcome.



MADRID SUMMER PROGRAM INFORMATION SESSION will be held on **Tuesday, February 9** in **Room 141** at **1:00 p.m.** Bring your lunch if you wish; cookies will be provided. You can **TRAVEL ABROAD** to **Madrid, Spain** this summer. **Enjoy** one of Europe's most exciting cities! **Study** International and European law subjects with outstanding Spanish professors and our own Professor Butler. **And earn six credits!!** Come and hear from students who have 'been there, done that'; they will talk about their experiences and answer your questions. Find out how you can **work** in the U.S. **and travel** abroad this summer. All interested students are invited and encouraged to attend!

TOWN HALL MEETING WITH DEAN DAVE DOUGLAS – Come out on Wednesday, February 10 at 1:00 p.m. (room 119) to hear about the state of the law school and voice any complaints or comments you might have regarding any law school policy. Dean Douglas as well as other Deans of the Law School will be on hand to respond to your queries and concerns. Student opinion does matter. At last semester's Town Hall Meeting we succeeded in moving 2L class registration back one day so that students could volunteer on Election Day. Show up and make your voice heard!

SBA BOARD ELECTIONS ARE COMING SOON! The Dates for SBA Board Elections are as follows:

February 10: SBA Executive Council Elections

February 17: SBA Class Representative Elections

The SBA Constitution provides that "In order to become a candidate for the SBA Board, an SBA member shall notify the Honor Council no later than five class days preceding the election." Please take note of the following dates and requirements if you wish to run for an SBA Board position:

- Intent-to-run forms for the SBA Executive Council will be available Monday, February 1, on the SBA office door and will be due to Cara Boekeloo's (2L) hanging file by 5 p.m. on Friday, February 5.
- Intent-to-run forms for SBA Class Representative will be available Monday, February 8, on the SBA office door and will be due to Cara Boekeloo's (2L) hanging file by 5 p.m. on Friday, February 12.

Please contact Cara Boekeloo, Chair, Honors Election Committee, by email at ciboekeloo@wm.edu with any questions regarding elections.

On Friday, February 12, at 1PM in Room 127, **PROFESSOR MATTHEW ADLER OF THE UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA LAW SCHOOL WILL PRESENT THE CUTLER LECTURE** titled "Constitutional Disagreement and Right Answers". Professor Adler's books include *New Foundations of Cost-Benefit Analysis* (Harvard, 2006; co-authored with Eric Posner); and the forthcoming *Well-Being and Equity: A Framework for Policy Analysis* (Oxford 2010). He is an editor of *Legal Theory*, the leading journal in the area of law and philosophy. Free and all are welcome.

CLASS YEAR HOODIES ABOUT TO BE ORDERED AGAIN - The SBA and PSF will be taking orders for an additional shipment of law school class year sweatshirts. Orders must be placed by **February 12 at 3:00 p.m.** to ensure inclusion in this next order. They may be placed in one of two ways:

- 1) By printing off an order form from the SBA website at http://wmsba.com/?page_id=473 and placing the form with cash or check made out to W&M PSF in Todd Torres' (2L) hanging file by the above deadline.
- 2) Orders will also be taken the week of February 8-12 at the PSF table in the lobby.

Sweatshirts are just \$45, featuring your specific class year printed on the sleeve and are available in navy, green, and gray. All profits are split between SBA and PSF, so not only do you get a comfy sweatshirt, but you also support your fellow classmates.



JOB ANNOUNCEMENT - Deadline Friday, February 19: Administrative Assistants wanted for the 2010 Summer Law Program in Madrid, Spain! At least two student participants will be hired to serve as administrative assistants.

Qualifications: must be fluent in Spanish; must have the ability to work well with others; must be able to balance class work and administrative responsibilities; must show discretion in dealing with confidential matters and be sensitive to cultural differences. Familiarity with Madrid desired, but not required. Will need to write 1-2 blog entries per week for inclusion on program web site.

Time of employment: June 27- August 4.

Duties: aiding the on-site Director, Linda Quigley, as translator/liaison with various offices in Madrid, performing clerical work for the Director in final preparation for the arrival of the other students, serving as an RA in the dormitory, helping with administrative matters throughout the program, and other duties as required.

Payment: free Room & Board in the dorm (normally costs \$2,200).

Deadline: Interested students must be registered for the Madrid program and indicate their interest in these positions and provide a resume to Steph or Anne, Room 238, 221-7544, sumlaw@wm.edu, no later than **Friday, February 19**.

Interviews will be held during the weeks of February 22-26 and March 1-5. Hiring decisions will be made shortly after the interviews are held.

PSF AUCTION! PSF Auction will be held at Trinkle Hall (on the main campus). February 20 from 8:00 p.m. to midnight. More information coming soon!

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 AReeve132@gmail.com. Sponsored by the Law School's Bone Marrow Drive Committee.

BARRISTERS' BALL IS MARCH 20 - The biggest event of the year — our Law School gala — is scheduled for March 20! Mark your calendars and get ready for a night of class and sophistication. More details to come soon.

NEED TO KNOW

The new brochure describing *William & Mary's 2010 summer law program in Madrid* is now available! If you haven't gotten one yet, we will be happy to put the complete information packet in your hanging file. The information packet includes our *Guide to Studying & Living in Madrid*, a brochure from the Spanish tourist office, and much more.

You can request a packet by e-mailing sumlaw@wm.edu (please include your full name) or by filling out a postcard from our poster. There are posters and pockets in which to deposit the postcard: on the Summer Study bulletin board in the hallway next to room 124, and; on the bulletin board outside Room 238, the International Programs office. Or you can stop by the office and pick up the info packet. (If you would like to have a packet before winter break begins, please contact us no later than Monday, December 21.)

This past summer, **79 students from 35 law schools across the country (including 26 from W&M) participated in our summer law program** in Madrid. They studied abroad because...

It's fun!

It's educational!

It lightens your second-year course load!

Also, it adds a very interesting item to your resumé. (Many students combine work experience and study abroad by working in May and June here at home before leaving to go abroad in July.)

Let us know if you would like a brochure!

ADMISSION

HOUSING OPPORTUNITIES - The Admission Office would appreciate hearing from students/staff/faculty who know 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 www.fafsa.gov 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: February 3 & 17, 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

Vinson & Elkins Diversity Fellowship is offering four \$7,000 fellowships to first year law students who anticipate graduating in 2012 and joint degree students who will receive their degrees in 2013. In addition, the Diversity Fellows will be considered for their summer associate program in the Austin, Dallas or Houston office during the summer following the recipients' first year of law school. The application deadline is January 31. For more information and an application, visit <http://www.velaw.com/uploadedFiles/VEsite/Resources/DiversityFellowshipsApplication.pdf>.

The Vietnamese American Bar Association of the Greater Washington, DC area is offering two \$1,000 scholarships to law students in Virginia, Maryland or Washington, DC who demonstrate a commitment to serving the Vietnamese American community. The deadline to apply is February 15. For more information, stop by the Admission Office.

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](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/finneganacceptingapplicationsfor20102011diversityscholarshipjanuary42010/.

Black Women Lawyers Association Scholarship Program is open to second and third-year full-time 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.

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>

OFFICE OF CAREER SERVICES

Web Site of the Week - Interested in a legal career in the Entertainment Industry? **Ifcome.com** (<http://ifcome.tripod.com/>) “provides information about business affairs and legal affairs jobs and job changes in the television, entertainment, motion picture, internet, new media and dot-com industries.” Though the positions listed may require several years of experience, savvy students will recognize the goldmine of information contained in the listings about who’s hiring, how the industry is structured, what kinds of jobs might be available to you once you have a little experience, and, with a little creative thinking, where potential internships and entry-level jobs may lie.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Parker Poe Adams & Bernstein is sponsoring a special program for minority law students on Saturday, February 6, 2010 in Raleigh, North Carolina from 9:00AM-3:30PM. The program, entitled “**Life As A Lawyer: An Overview**,” will include panels of practicing attorneys discussing various topics as well as roundtable discussions. In addition to these sessions, students will have the opportunity to participate in a mock interview with an attorney. To register for the program, send an email message to Crystal Jones at crystaljones@parkerpoe.com or call Crystal at 704-371-6165.

Each year, William & Mary students are invited to participate in a variety of career and employment related events around the country. The Office of Career Services forwards information about these programs to all students. All students are welcome to participate.

This summer, the **National Center for Adoption Law & Policy** at Capital University Law School will be hosting the fifth annual **Summer Adoption Law Institute (SALI)**. SALI is a one-week intensive Adoption Law class for credit open to law students nationwide. This year, SALI will

take place **August 2-6** at Capital Law School in Columbus, Ohio. For more information, please go to www.ncalp.org/sali.htm.

The fifth annual ***Working in the Public Interest: Advancing Social Justice Conference*** will be held on **February 26-27, 2010** at the University of Georgia Law School in Athens, Georgia. The two-day event features panels and roundtable discussions with speakers drawn from all parts of the country. Free housing for student attendees is also available on a first come first serve basis. For more information and to register, go to www.law.uga.edu/wipi.

Equal Justice America has announced **Legal Services Fellowships** of up to \$1,500 for first- and second-year law students who are working in the spring 2010 semester for organizations providing direct civil legal assistance to the poor. Students must secure a part-time (120 hours per semester) position. Students unable to work a full 120 hours may also apply for a fellowship. The grant would be reduced on a pro-rated basis. To apply, send a cover letter describing your commitment and interest in providing legal services to the poor, a resume, and an employment confirmation letter from the hiring organization to the following address: Equal Justice America, Building II, Suite 204, East Boundary Road, Midlothian, VA 23112. Applications will be considered on a rolling basis. **Apply via regular mail, e-mail or fax.** For more information and the application, go to www.equaljusticeamerica.org/prev_applications/ApplicationSpring.htm.

\$4,000 grants from Equal Justice America are also available for **summer full-time employment**. Information about the summer 2010 EJA application process is available at www.equaljusticeamerica.org/prev_applications/ApplicationSummer.htm. Students must secure a full-time (35-40 hours per week for 10 weeks) placement with a civil legal services organization. **Applications must be postmarked by March 22, 2010.**

Funding for International Travel: Full-time W&M graduate students are eligible to apply for funding to support international travel related to: participation in conferences, language proficiency programs, research, lab, or fieldwork taking place between March 1 and September 30, 2009. Graduate students are eligible to receive a maximum award of \$500 per academic year. The application is available at <http://www.wm.edu/revescenter/campus/funding/gradtravelgrants.php>. The **application deadline is Monday, February 1, 2010**. Questions may be directed to Judy Davis at jcdav3@wm.edu.

Applying for a Government or Public Interest Summer Job? Funding available through William & Mary 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 William & Mary enhances your candidacy with employers. There is a one-page handout available on the display racks in OCS that describes William & Mary'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. The application materials are available in OCS Resources for Students on Blackboard in the Government and Public Interest section as well as on the display rack in OCS. **The application deadline is Friday, March 26 at 5:00 p.m.**

Attention 3Ls: Post-Graduate Public Service Fellowships: William & Mary School of Law 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 attached 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, beginning February 15,** 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

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 www.nalpexchange.org 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.**

New York University School of Law - Summer housing is available at New York University School of Law for both individuals and families for short-term (4-7 weeks) and long-term (8-11 weeks) stays. For more information, go to www.law.nyu.edu/housing .

Other Summer Housing Options - The NALP site listed above is free. Another site that is free is www.craigslist.org. The web site www.sublet.com will, for a fee, give you 90 days of access to listings for sublets available around the country. Before paying for this service, you can determine if they have any listings in your target city as well as the service fee, which varies depending on the city or region you choose. Another suggestion is to check colleges and universities in your target city since they often have housing options available to students for the summer.

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, February 1 and 8, 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.

Tuesday, February 9, Lunch with Lawyers, Prosecution Careers 12:50-1:50PM, Room TBD.

Wednesday, February 10, The Ultimate Bar Review: Insider's Guide to the Bar Exam, 1:00-1:50PM, Room 124.

Thursday, February 11, Careers in the U.S. Department of State, 12:50-1:50PM, Room 141.

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 Center for Reproductive Rights (CRR) is sponsoring the **Fifth Annual Sarah Weddington Prize for New Student Scholarship in Reproductive Rights**. This year's theme is Reproductive Rights as Human Rights. Winning authors will receive \$750 (first place), \$500 (second place) or \$250 (third place), have their submission published on the Law Students for Reproductive Justice (LSRJ) and CRR websites and potentially be invited to present their papers at conferences. **The submission deadline is March 1, 2010 at noon.**

The International Association of Defense Counsel (IADC) invites law students to participate in its **2010 Legal Writing Contest**. The IADC is a professional association that serves international corporate and insurance civil defense lawyers. Entries must be on a topic of practical concern to lawyers engaged in the defense or management of the defense of civil litigation. The winner of the first prize will be awarded \$2,000; the second prize winner, \$1,000 and the third prize winner, \$500. **The deadline for article submission is Friday, May 14.**

Notre Dame Law School is sponsoring the ***Smith Doheny Legal Ethics Writing Competition***. Students may submit an essay on any legal ethics topic. The essays will be judged on their clarity, coherence, creativity, insight and mastery of the rules and cases relevant to the topic of the essay in question. The best submission will win a \$2,500 prize. **All entries must be received before 5:00PM on Friday, April 30, 2010.** For more information go to www.nd.edu/~ndlaw/writing_competitions/smith_doheny.pdf.

NEW RESOURCES IN OCS LIBRARY

The United States Government Manual, 2009-2010, Office of the Federal Register, National Archives Records Administration, 2009 - The official handbook of the Federal Government providing comprehensive information on the agencies of the legislative, executive and judicial branches.

IFLR1000: The Guide to the World's Leading Financial Law Firms Editor, Lukas Becker, 2010 Edition. A guide to the top law firms advising on corporate finance in more than 100 countries.

The Docket is a biweekly publication of the William & Mary Law School produced during the academic year. All submissions (in either Microsoft Word or WordPerfect) are due to Cassi Fritzius, (Room 108) or by E-mail (cbfrit@wm.edu) no later than 5:00 p.m. the Wednesday prior to the Friday publication date.

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