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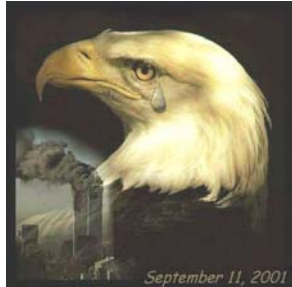
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THE ANNIVERSARY OF SEPTEMBER 11 WE SHALL NEVER FORGET

CHECKED YOUR E-MAIL? Remember that you are expected to check your e-mail at least once a day. The faculty and administration send important information via e-mail – information that may not be available through any other means. If you have forwarded your college e-mail account to your personal account, you are responsible for verifying that the forwarded address continues to be accurate.

NEWSWORTHY NEWS

ABA RE-ACCREDITATION PROCESS BEGINS - Every seven years, each ABA-accredited law school must go through a re-accreditation process. Re-accreditation ensures that our graduates are eligible to take the bar exam anywhere in the United States. The re-accreditation process involves a detailed Self-Study and compilation of data, followed by a site visit by a team of ABA accreditors. William & Mary's site visit team will arrive in October 2009. Between now and then, faculty, administrators, and students will be asked to contribute thoughts and ideas to the Self-Study. You will be hearing more about this throughout the year. The Self-Study Committee is chaired by Professor Barnard and includes Dean Kaplan; Professors Banks, Heller, Heymann, Marcus, Meese, Roberts, and Ward; and students Latoya Asia (3L) and Rob Poggenklass (2L).

STUDENT ASSEMBLY REPRESENTATIVE - The current Vice President of the Student Assembly has resigned. The search for the next VP will be through an application process open to the entire student body. This is an excellent opportunity to get more representation for the law school in the Student Assembly. One of the many duties of the Student Assembly is to approve the SBA's budget requests. If you are interested in this position, please contact our SBA President Jenny Case at jgcase@wm.edu as soon as possible. Thank you.

WOMEN'S BAR ASSOCIATION OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, AND THE WASHINGTON COLLEGE OF LAW INVITATION TO SUBMIT ESSAYS FOR THE ARCHIVES ON WOMEN LAWYERS PROJECT - *The Modern American* (TMA) announces the American University – Washington College of Law (WCL) essay

competition open to all full-time and part-time law students enrolled in and attending an accredited law school in the United States.

The Women's Bar Association of the District of Columbia (WBA) and WCL share an important history in advancing women in the law. TMA celebrates this history by creating a writing competition that **discusses the author's selection of a topic of interest or importance affecting women in the law**, such as issues ranging from the history of struggles confronted by women lawyers in their careers to issues that women lawyers face today in a male-dominated environment at the higher levels of the profession. The writing competition will not only give semi-finalists the opportunity to work alongside WBA members by receiving response pieces from them, but will also give semi-finalists and the winner of the competition, the opportunity to attend the dinner that will commemorate WBA's and WCL's shared history on October 16 at WCL. The winner of the competition will also get a chance to publish his/her essay in The Modern American publication. Entries are to be submitted to tma@wcl.american.edu.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

SBA ELECTIONS - All those interested in running for the position of 1L representative must fill out an *Intent to Run Form* and turn it into Jennifer Bacon's (3L) hanging file by 5:00 p.m. on Friday September 5. All students and candidates will be asked to abide by the school's Election Rules:

- Campaigning begins on Sunday, September 7 at noon
- Candidates' platforms will be e-mailed to the 1L class on Monday, September 8
- Candidate "Meet & Greet" 1:00 p.m. on Monday and Tuesday, September 8-9
- Elections will take place in the lobby on Wednesday, September 10 from 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Three SBA Representatives will be elected.

CHILDREN'S ADVOCACY LAW SOCIETY - The Children's Advocacy Law Society will be having its general interest meeting on Monday, September 8, at 1:00 p.m. in Room 127. We will be discussing service projects and speakers for the year, as well as announcing available board positions.

ACLU INTEREST MEETING - Love freedom? Value your civil liberties? The W&M School of Law Chapter of the ACLU will have its first meeting on Tuesday, September 9, at 1:00 p.m. in room 133. Come learn what they are all about.

SPORTS AND ENTERTAINMENT LAW SOCIETY INTEREST MEETING - The Sports and Entertainment Law Society is having its first informational meeting on Tuesday September 9 at 1:00 p.m. in room 127.

UPCOMING EVENTS SPONSORED BY THE HUMAN RIGHTS AND NATIONAL SECURITY LAW (HRNSL) PROGRAM

"Privatizing Justice: Representing the Victims of Terrorism & Human Rights Abuses," a lecture by Allan Gerson, September 10, 5:00 p.m., room 124. Free and all are welcome. Gerson is co-author (with Newsweek Senior Editor Jerry

Adler) of the book *The Price of Terror: Lessons of Lockerbie for a World on the Brink*. Co-sponsored by the Distinguished Lecture Series of the HRNSL Program and by the George Tayloe Ross Memorial Lecture Series.

"Water Privatization Trends in the U.S.: Issues of Human Rights and National Security," lecture by Professor Tony Arnold of the Louis D. Brandeis Law School, September 16, 5:00 p.m., room 124. Free and all are welcome. Sponsored by the Distinguished Lecture Series of the HRNSL Program.

W&M LAW SCHOOL DEMOCRATS MEETING - On behalf of the Law School Democrats we would like to welcome you all back for another exciting year. For those new to the W&M community, the Law School Democrats extend not only our warm welcome, but also an invitation to our first general body meeting on Friday, September 12, at 1:00 p.m. in Room 141. Our mission is to foster relationships between Democratic law students, attorneys, party leaders, and elected officials, and to ensure that the political process remains open, fair, and accessible for all Americans. At that meeting, we will go over what we have planned for this semester, which includes officer elections, voter registration, voter protection, social events, guest speakers and networking opportunities. We hope to have a representative of the Obama campaign at the meeting as well.

BANKRUPTCY LAW SOCIETY INTEREST MEETING - The Bankruptcy Law Society will hold its first interest meeting on Friday, September 12 at 1:00 p.m. in room 124. Anyone interested in membership or applying for a Board position should attend. No knowledge of bankruptcy law is required for participation in the Society. Please contact Cullen (cdstallter@wm.edu) with questions.

SAVE THE DATE! Law School's First *Kelly Panel for Excellence in Teaching* - What makes for excellence in teaching? Come join in the dialogue at the first Herbert V. Kelly, Sr. Panel on Excellence in Teaching on Thursday, September 25, from 3:30 to 5:00 p.m. in room 127. Admission is free and all are welcome to join in the discussion and the reception afterward. The event is part of a series of programs devoted to teaching and organized by Haynes Professor of Law Paul Marcus. In 2007, Professor Marcus was appointed to a two-year term as the inaugural Kelly Professor for Excellence in Teaching. Professor Marcus will be joined on the panel by other faculty including Professors Davison Douglas, Laura Heymann, and the Honorable Wilford Taylor, Jr., as well as Latoya Asia and Tom Ryerson of the student body. Vice Dean Eric Kades will moderate. While the subjects taught by the faculty participants are varied, each has been recognized for outstanding teaching. Professors Marcus, Douglas, Heymann and Kades received awards from recent graduating classes, while Judge Taylor, a member of the Class of 1978, was the 2007-08 recipient of the St. George Tucker Adjunct Professorship Award.

NEED TO KNOW

The Reves Center for International Studies announces its Graduate Student International Travel Grants for Fall 2008/Winter 2009. All full-time William & Mary graduate students are eligible to apply for funding to support international travel related to any of the following: participation in conferences, language proficiency programs, pre-

dissertation or dissertation research, lab, or fieldwork. All travel must take place between October 1, 2008 and February 28, 2009. Graduate students are eligible to receive a maximum award of \$500 per academic year. A faculty selection committee will review all applications and select the grantees. The **application deadline is 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, September 11, 2008**. No applications will be accepted after the deadline. Questions may be directed to Judy Davis at jcdav3@wm.edu. The application is available at <http://www.wm.edu/revescenter/campus/funding/gradtravelgrants.php>.

LAWYERS HELPING LAWYERS (LHL) - Virginia's LHL is a confidential resource that helps lawyers and law students get confidential help with mental health and substance abuse issues. Keep the following toll-free number in case you or a friend needs confidential assistance during law school: Toll Free: 877-545-4682 (877-LHL-INVA). LHL has an investment in your well being and wants to hear from you if the stresses of law school become too much! Also, if you would like to be a peer resource for fellow law students, consider becoming a part of LHL-Student Division. Student volunteers receive training and work together with LHL-faculty advisor, Professor Susan Grover, to help law students at William and Mary. If interested, please email Professor Grover at ssgrov@wm.edu.

VIRGINIA BAR UPDATE - The Application for the Virginia Bar Examination and the Applicant's Character and Fitness Questionnaire are available online through the Virginia Board of Bar Examiners web site at: <http://www.vbbe.state.va.us/forms.html> Students who expect to sit for the Virginia Bar Examination can file the Character and Fitness Questionnaire within the first 14 months of their law school career for a discounted rate. The Bar Application itself cannot be filed more than three months prior to sitting for the exam.

Those planning to sit for the Virginia Bar are forewarned that the Virginia Board of Bar Examiners requires applicants to take the Multi-state Professional Responsibility Examination (MPRE). The MPRE is a fifty question, two-hour, multiple-choice examination administered three times each year. You can register online at <http://www.ncbex.org/tests/mpre/mpre.htm>. **GOOD LUCK!!!**

Reminder! No signs on walls, doors or windows, including the front and side doors to the Law School (this is a new policy as of September 4, 2008). You may post notices in the Student Lounge. Obtain permission from Gloria Todd to post notices on the Administration Bulletin Board in the Student Lounge.

WHERE DO YOU LIVE? The Law School must always have your most current address and phone number on file. Students should check their contact information by logging onto Banner Self Service. Please notify Chris Creech immediately of any correction to this information.

STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS - If your organization has not yet registered with the Law School Administration, please stop by and see Gloria Todd. Registered organizations will receive priority for room reservations at the Law School, and are eligible for hanging files and bulletin board space from the SBA. Officers should frequently check organization hanging files. FYI: Room Reservation Request Forms can be found on

the Library handout shelves and by Gloria Todd's office across from the moot courtroom.

ADMINISTRATOR AND FACULTY MAILBOX ACCESS - If there is a need to contact an administrator or faculty member through their Law School mailbox, please place the item in the appropriately marked box in the reception area. The item will be delivered for you. *Please remember that students are not allowed in the workroom.*

UNOFFICIAL TRANSCRIPTS - Students can print their unofficial transcripts from Banner Self Service. Please review the information for accuracy and immediately bring discrepancies to Dean Jackson's attention.

REMEMBER THE INTERNET! Use the Law School web site to answer common questions regarding academics and/or student life. AND, please review the Unified Honor Code found from the Law School Homepage by clicking on Student Life, then Academic Regulations, then Honor System or: <http://www.wm.edu/so/honor-council/honorcode.htm>. Students should also review the Student Handbook, a copy of which is available in the Student Lounge.

CLCT POSITION - The Center for Legal and Court Technology has a position for an assistant for 25 hours a week at a salary of \$12.50-13.00 an hour. This position includes:

- Direct support of the Director and Associate Director for Operations and Administration
- Office work to include telephone, letters, scheduling, and calendar management and general support
- In addition, this position is responsible for administering CLCT's Participating Companies operation including maintaining contact with companies and assuring that the website information is correct and the links are operational.
- As time permits, the person in this position will assist in the general administration of CLCT including helping with marketing, public relations, and Court Affiliate support. Word processing and spreadsheet skills are mandatory. Public relations or marketing education and experience is preferred.

If interested, please contact Nancy Archibald in room 211D or nvarch@wm.edu with a resume.

PSF STUDY GUIDE DRIVE - PSF needs your study guides! PSF recently went through its supply of study guides and found that many of them were out of date. Please drop off any of your unwanted study guides in the designated boxes in the student lounge through next Friday. Please note that PSF will NOT be accepting textbooks or Legal Skills books!!! We will take all other study guides, but would prefer to receive any Emanuel's, Examples & Explanations, Gilbert's, In a Nutshells, and other study guides of that nature, as well as study guides for all 1L subjects. Thank you for all your donations!

3L GIFT TO THE WILLIAMSBURG COMMUNITY: *Heritage Humane Society*

Hey 3Ls! Sadly, our last year in Williamsburg has arrived, and what better way can we show our thanks than by giving a class gift to the community? Our goal is to raise \$100 to purchase a brick at Heritage Humane Society (HHS). The brick will be a part of the patio in front of HHS and will be a permanent symbol of our generosity. The brick will display the following message:

*William & Mary
School of Law
Class of 2009*

Donations of any amount can be dropped in the marked containers in the student lounge and checks can be made out to Heritage Humane Society. Let's make this our best year yet! Questions can be directed to Kate Celender at kate.celender@gmail.com.

SBA OFFICE HOURS - SBA representatives will be available during the week with an open door policy at the SBA office starting next week. Please stop by if you have any questions, ideas, or suggestions.

STUDENT ORGANIZATION BOARDS - If you are a student Organization leader and are interested in using one of the Student Organization boards in the hall for the upcoming year please send your request to the SBA Secretary, Zack DeMeola (zidemeola@wm.edu).

ADMISSION

FINANCIAL AID / SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

A ***Summer Associate Diversity Scholarship*** is being offered by Holland & Hart LLP. This scholarship will be awarded to a second year law student from a top tier law school. The winner will work as a paid 2009 summer associate in one of the firm's 14 offices, and will receive \$10,000 to be applied toward law school tuition and expenses. For more information, please stop by the admission office. The deadline is September 1, 2008.

Latham Diversity Scholars Program offers four \$10,000 scholarships to rising 2L students who will contribute to diversity in the legal profession, expect to graduate in spring 2010 and intend to practice law in a major city in the United States. The application deadline is September 15, 2008. For more information and an application visit their website at www.lw.com/upload/aboutLatham/upload/docs/doc44.PDF.

The ***Kirkland & Ellis LLP Diversity Fellowship Program*** is open to second-year law students and consists of a \$15,000 stipend payable during the recipient's third year of law school following participation in the Summer Associate Program in one of Kirkland's domestic offices. For more information and the online application visit, <http://fellowship.kirkland.com>. The application deadline is September 8, 2008.

George V. Powell Diversity Scholarship – Lane Powell PC is offering this scholarship opportunity to women and individuals from diverse backgrounds. The scholarship includes a 2009 summer associate position in the firm’s Seattle or Portland office and \$7,500 toward tuition and expenses during the student’s third year of law school. Applicants must be current 2L law students in good standing at an ABA accredited law school and have demonstrated the desire to work, live and eventually practice law in Seattle or Portland. The application deadline is October 1, 2008. For more information please visit: www.lanepowell.com/firm/scholarship.asp.

Winston & Strawn LLP is offering six diversity scholarships to second-year law students. The winners will join the 2009 summer program at one of Winston & Strawn’s domestic offices as well as a \$10,000 scholarship to be paid during the students’ third year of law school. For more information and an application, visit their website at www.winston.com. Applications are due by November 1, 2008.

Constangy, Brooks & Smith Diversity Scholars Program offers \$2,000 scholarships to second-year law students, committed to diversity, in regions where the firm has offices. All applications must be received by November 1, 2007. For more information and an application, visit www.constangy.com/MissionStatement.html.

AARP Foundation Litigation Herbert Semmel Elder Law Fellowship is open to second year law students interested in issues affecting older persons. It includes a paid 12-week summer clerkship in Washington, DC and a \$10,000 scholarship. For more information, stop by the Admission Office. The deadline is November 7, 2008.

Dinsmore & Shohl LLP Diversity Scholarship Program offers this scholarship to a first or second-year law student who may be a minority or an individual who contributes meaningfully to diversity in his or her community. The winner will receive a salaried summer associate position and a \$10,000 scholarship. Additional summer associate positions with scholarships of up to \$10,000 are also available. Second year students must apply by September 15, 2008. First year students should apply between December 1 and December 31, 2008. For more information, visit www.dinslaw.com/careers/diversityscholarship/.

OFFICE OF CAREER SERVICES

Web Site of the Week - The newly updated 2008-2009 Federal Legal Employment Opportunities Guide is now available at no charge at: <http://www.pslawnet.org/governmentcareers>. The guide contains detailed information on applying for legal jobs with the federal government, testimonials from current federal lawyers, descriptions of dozens of federal agencies/entities that hire lawyers, salary/benefit/Loan Repayment Assistance information, and much more!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Students interested in intellectual property/trademark law who are looking for opportunities to network and exchange resources can become a student member of the

International Trademark Association (INTA), a not-for-profit membership association of trademark professionals. Student membership is \$25.00 per year and provides students with the use of online trademark information that can help them with their relevant studies. Membership also gives them access to substantial discounts on programs that serve as valuable educational and networking opportunities. For more details on all the benefits, go to www.inta.org/go/membership.

3Ls: The Equal Justice Works Fellowships Program provides financial and other forms of support to lawyers working on innovative legal projects throughout the U.S. The two-year fellowships offer a salary (up to \$39,000 per year) and generous loan repayment assistance; a national training and leadership development program; and other forms of support during the term of the fellowship. A list of likely funding locations and issues for the upcoming competition can be found at <http://www.equaljusticeworks.org/programs/fellowships/preferences>. This list is not exhaustive, as some of their funding partners do not express specific preferences. The list will be updated on an ongoing basis in the coming weeks as additional funders commit.

The 2009 Equal Justice Works Fellowships online application can be accessed at <http://www.equaljusticeworks.org/programs/fellowships/apply#A5>. Students may review the application form by creating a profile and an application name. **The deadline is 5p.m. on Tuesday, September 16, 2008.** Fellows selected this fall will begin their terms in September 2009. **Questions** should be directed to fellowships@equaljusticeworks.org or 202/466-3686, x202.

The **2008 Equal Justice Works Conference and Interview Program will take place October 10-11**, in Washington, DC. The program is the largest of its type and offers significant opportunities for employment and networking. Last year, over 100 government agencies and public interest organizations from throughout the U.S. participated.

OCS is now informing students about this interview program because employers will select interviewees on a rolling basis, beginning now. OCS therefore recommends that you submit your application materials during the next month, but the sooner, the better, because employers can – and will – begin scheduling interviews anytime. A list of participating employers and application procedures for each is available at www.equaljusticeworks.org/events/ccf/general. EJW will update the list as more employers register, so recheck the list every couple of days.

2Ls: The Office of General Counsel-Central Intelligence Agency offers 10-week summer clerkships to 2Ls interested in national security law and related legal issues. For more information and details about the application process, go to: <https://www.cia.gov/offices-of-cia/general-counsel/careers/summer-law-clerk-program.html>. Since a top security clearance is required for this clerkship, the application deadline is **September 30**. The application process is very competitive: a minimum 3.0 G.P.A. and U.S. citizenship are required.

3Ls: The CIA Office of General Counsel also offers a three-year Legal Honors Program for graduating students interested in national security law. Applications are

accepted on a rolling basis, but appointments are very competitive. For more information and application details, go to:

<https://www.cia.gov/offices-of-cia/general-counsel/careers/honors-attorneys-program.html>.

The ***U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's Office of General Counsel*** is seeking applicants for the Honors Fellowship Program. Applicants must be U.S. citizens with excellent academic records, outstanding analytical and writing abilities, a strong commitment to public service, effective "people" skills, and an ability to take on significant responsibility. These are full-time two-year appointments. Applications consisting of a cover letter or personal statement, resume, law school transcript and writing sample must be received no later than **October 6, 2008**. Fellowship application procedures are described on www.epa.gov/ogc/fellowship.htm.

Labor and Employment Law - The Peggy Browning Fund is sponsoring their Tenth Annual **National Law Students Workers' Rights Conference** on Friday and Saturday, October 17-18 in Silver Spring, Maryland. The program will include a keynote address, panel discussions and interactive workshops led by leading labor practitioners and professors, and more. The law school may select up to three students for the program and will cover students' \$25 registration fee. Students should have a demonstrated interest in either workers' rights issues or public interest law. The Peggy Browning Fund will cover all on-site meals and lodging expenses for one student from William & Mary. If you are interested in attending this program, see Dean Corello in OCS by September 26. For more information, see www.peggybrowningfund.org.

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 2008. Please feel free to include this flier with your resumes and cover letters to government and public service employers. This information is also available on OCS Resources for Students in Blackboard under "Government and Public Interest." 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.**

Deadline for "Early Decision" Public Interest and Government Summer 2008 Funding for 2Ls: Funding through eight programs (Bell, Christopher Wren Association, Dean's Fellowships, Pinter Fellowships, Virginia State Bar Criminal Law Section, Virginia Law Foundation, Public Service Fund [PSF], and Williams) is available through an "early-decision" process, which gives 2Ls the opportunity to know about funding decisions before the end of the fall semester. **The application deadline for "early decision" funding is Friday, November 21 at 5:00 p.m.**

Fax Machine: A fax machine is available in the Office of Career Services for students' law school-related matters, such as job searches, bar applications, and coursework. Use of the machine is free for current students. Students have access during all the hours OCS is open – that is, the same hours as the library circulation desk. The machine may be used for outgoing faxes only; use is governed by the Honor Code. Instructions are posted next to the machine.

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

Lunch with Lawyers: Environmental Law, Tuesday, September 9 12:50-1:50 p.m., Room 133.

Lunch with Lawyers: State & Specialty Courts Clerkships, Wednesday, September 10, 12:50-1:50 p.m., Room 133.

Lunch with Lawyers: Handling Complex Litigation, Thursday, September 11, 12:50-1:50 p.m., Room 133.

Tips for Choosing Your Practice Area, Monday, September 15, 12:50-1:50 p.m., Room 127.

For 3Ls: Information Session on the Presidential Management Program, Wednesday, September 17, 12:50-1:50 p.m., Room 137.

NEW RESOURCES IN OCS LIBRARY

The (Un)Happy Lawyer: A Roadmap to Finding Meaningful Work Outside of the Law,

Monica R. Parker, JD, Sphinx Publishing, 2008

This book promotes a step-by-step program for law students and lawyers interested in exploring alternative careers.

The 2008-2009 Green Book: Official Directory of the City of New York

Information about city officials and agencies in New York City.

Environmental Law Careers Directory, 2007-2008

Ecology Law Quarterly, 2008

List of 200 public interest organizations, private law firms, and government offices that hire law students in the environmental law field.

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