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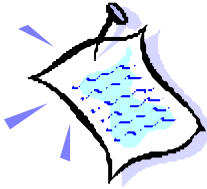
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NEWSWORTHY NOTES

CONGRATULATIONS to Professor Michael Green and his wife, Kiersten Boyce, on the birth of their son, Harris Theodore Green, on December 12, 2007. 18 inches. 5 lbs 8 oz. Both Kiersten and Harris are doing well.



REMINDER - If you have permission to post flyers on the law school doors, please remember to remove them after the event is concluded. Please help keep the Law School tidy.

REMINDER TO STUDENT ORGANIZATION LEADERS - If having an event where alcohol is served, you must satisfy the requirements found at <http://www.wm.edu/studentactivities/programming/tips.php> and, in particular, have in attendance TIPS-trained students. Information about TIPS is found at <http://www.wm.edu/studentactivities/programming/tips.php>

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

FALL GRADES are due by noon on Friday, January 11

SPRING ADD/DROP ends at 4:00 pm, Friday, January 11

PHI DELTA BLOOD DRIVE – Want to save a life? Now you can. Sign up to donate blood at the law school as part of the Phi Alpha Delta - American Red Cross Blood Drive next week, Thursday, January 17, 11:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. To schedule an appointment, go to <http://www.givelife.org> and enter sponsor code MWLS. Or e-mail your preferred time to Alan Kennedy-Shaffer at (717) 433-5488 or axkenn@wm.edu. If you don't know your schedule, please stop by the registration table when you are available.

CHILDREN'S ADVOCACY LAW SOCIETY FIRST MEETING - The Children's Advocacy Law Society is holding its first meeting of the year on Wednesday, January 23 at 1:00 p.m. in Room 133. All interested students are invited to attend. We will be discussing upcoming service projects, lunch speakers, panel discussions, and social events. Lunch will be provided, and a guest speaker will talk about job opportunities in the field of children's advocacy law. CALS is planning a semester full of exciting events and we hope that you'll join us. If you have any questions about CALS, please feel free to email chadls@wm.edu.

HUMAN RIGHTS LECTURE: RETHINKING THE WAY WE PUNISH ATROCITY - Mark Drumbl, Director of the Transnational Law Institute at Washington & Lee University Law School, will deliver a lecture entitled "Atrocity, Punishment, and International Law" at William & Mary Law School on Wednesday, January 23, in Room 127 at 5:00 p.m. Free and open to the public, the talk is part of the Distinguished Lecture Series sponsored by the Human Rights and National Security Law Program.

Focusing in part on the United States' role in prosecuting terrorism and war crimes, Drumbl's lecture will explore alternative methods of punishing perpetrators of these crimes. "The international community's preference for prosecution and imprisonment may not be as effective as we hope," observes Drumbl. Instead, he urges "a broader-based response to atrocity that welcomes bottom-up perspectives, including restorative, reparative, and reintegrative traditions that may differ from the adversarial Western criminal trial and, ultimately, better serve interests of peace, security, and justice."

3Ls 100 NIGHTS CELEBRATION - 100 Nights is only a few weeks away 3Ls! **Friday, February 1** is the 100 Nights Until Graduation party. We need your help for the slide-show. In order to have a slide-show that is representative of the entire class of 2008 we need you to send any pictures that you'd like to be included in the slide-show to 100nightpictures@gmail.com . We will compile them and get them ready for the slide-show. This is the kick-off to the last few months of law school, so start making your plans to attend and please don't forget to send us your pictures. For any questions regarding 100 Nights please contact Cabell Clay (mcclay@wm.edu) or David Bules (dtbule@wm.edu). Please send all pictures to 100nightpictures@gmail.com .

BARRISTER'S BALL – The Barrister's Ball will be **Saturday, February 23, 2008**. You thought Fall from Grace was fun, but you haven't seen anything yet! Get excited!!

ADMISSIONS

FINANCIAL AID - Individual appointments are available for questions on financial aid, FAFSA, lender options, lender terms, loan applications, bar loans, loan consolidation issues, loan repayment, taxes. Appointments may be scheduled with Jennifer Meier, Assistant Director for Student Loans and Graduate Aid, for individual meetings on Wednesday afternoons at the Law School during the weeks of spring semester when classes are held. Please stop by the Admission Office (rooms 104 and 105) to sign-up in advance for available appointment times. You may contact the Office of Student Financial Aid, 218 Blow Memorial Hall (221-2426) to schedule appointments on other days.

FINANCIAL AID FOR THE 2008-09 ACADEMIC YEAR - Information regarding financial aid for the 2008-09 academic year was sent to all 1Ls and 2Ls via email from Faye Shealy on January 10, 2008. If you did not receive this information or could not

open the attachment, please stop by the Admission Office (rooms 104 or 105) to obtain a hard copy or to meet with Dean Shealy regarding questions. The FAFSA is required for need-based financial aid and all education loans. March 1 is the deadline for returning students to file the FAFSA located at fafsa.ed.gov. William & Mary's Title IV Federal School Code is 003705.

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 February 29: resume, 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 **February 29, 2008**

STOEL RIVES LLP FIRST-YEAR STUDENT DIVERSITY FELLOWSHIP – Fellowships are available in their Seattle and Portland offices and include a paid summer associate position and a \$7,500 scholarship to help defray tuition and related expenses during the 2007-08 academic year. First-year students who are members of racial or ethnic minority groups are encouraged to apply. Applications must be postmarked by **January 22, 2007**. Stop by the Admission Office for more information and application procedures.

REED SMITH VIRGINIA ADVERSITY FELLOWSHIP – This \$15,000 fellowship is open to first year law students attending an ABA certified Virginia law school who have overcome significant social adversity in their pursuit of a legal career. To receive the entire award (split between the second and third years of law school), the recipient must work as a summer associate at one of their Virginia offices between his/her second and third year of law school. The deadline to apply is **February 28, 2007**. For more information and an application, please stop by the Admission Office.

IL DIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIP – Tonkon Torp LLP is offering a IL student an opportunity to work as a paid summer associate in their Portland, Oregon office for the summer of 2008. If the student returns to work at Tonkon Torp during the following summer, the student will receive a \$7,500 academic scholarship. The application deadline is January 23, 2008. For more information visit www.tonkon.com/careers/law_students/dsplInfo.cfm?pgAx=fellowship

IL DIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIP – Harter Secrest & Emery LLP is offering a \$5,000 diversity scholarship to a first year law student, who will also work as a paid summer associate in their Rochester, NY office. The application deadline is January 21, 2008. For more information and an application visit www.hselaw.com/AboutHSE/Diversity/ and click on Scholarship.

IL DIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIP – Heller Ehrman is offering four first-year student diversity fellowships. Each fellowship includes a paid 2008 summer associate position and a \$7,500 scholarship. Students may apply to work in any one of their seven office US offices. The application deadline is January 18, 2008. For more information on how to apply, visit www.hellerehrman.com/en/careers/summer_fellowship.aspx.

IL DIVERSITY FELLOWSHIP – The Stoel Rives LLP IL Diversity Scholarship includes a paid summer associate position and a \$7,500 scholarship for the 2008-09 academic year. The application deadline is January 23, 2008. Stop by the Admission Office for an application.

OFFICE OF CAREER SERVICES

Web Site of the Week - Welcome back! Before you get too wrapped up in the semester, we thought you might have time for something on the lighter side. **Lawhaha.com** is produced by Andrew McClurg, a law professor who also wrote a monthly humor column for the *ABA Journal* for more than four years. He says the site is “designed to be an interactive humor network for legal types of all stripes: law students, lawyers, law profs, judges, legal secretaries, prison inmates, recidivist parking meter violators – just about anyone with a computer, basically.” Readers are asked to contribute entries for sections such as “Funniest Law School Moments” and “Weird Legal News.” www.lawhaha.com

Job of the Week - First- and second-year law students are eligible to apply for a summer fellowship program sponsored by the ABA Section on Antitrust Law and named the Janet D. Steiger Fellowship Project, honoring the memory of the late Chairman of the Federal Trade Commission. Each selected student will receive a \$5,000 stipend and serve in the consumer protection department of one of the 24 participating State Attorneys General during the summer of 2008. The program also offers a discretionary supplemental housing/travel allowance of up to \$2,000 for those students who are not living at home for the summer. The deadline for submitting an

application is Monday, January 28. For a list of participating Attorneys General, the application form and other details on how to apply, go to www.abanet.org/antitrust.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ILs Participating in the Mock Interview Program – Just a reminder that you need to upload a copy of your resume into Symplicity by midnight, January 14. (You must have preregistered to participate.)

The ***Peggy Browning Fund's 2008 Fellowship Program*** is offering 40 funded positions in labor-related organizations throughout the United States and one one-year position in Chicago for the 2008-09 academic year. The application deadline is January 15, 2008. Complete information is available at www.peggybrowningfund.org.

Registration is open for the ***14th Annual Rebellious Lawyering Conference*** on **February 22-24, 2008** at Yale University in New Haven, Connecticut. This year's featured keynote speaker is Bill Quigley, Civil Rights Activist, Lawyer and Distinguished Professor of Law at Loyola University New Orleans School of Law. For descriptions of the panels that will be offered and registration information, go to <http://islandia.law.yale.edu/reblaw>.

The Grant Institute's Grants 101: Professional Grant Proposal Writing Workshop will be held at the University of Richmond, **March 13 - 15, 2008**. In this course, participants will learn the entire proposal writing process and complete the course with a solid understanding of not only the ideal proposal structure, but a holistic understanding of the essential factors that determine whether or not a program gets funded. Through the completion of interactive exercises and activities, participants will complement expert lectures by putting proven techniques into practice. This course is designed for both the beginner looking for a thorough introduction and the intermediate looking for a refresher course that will strengthen their grant acquisition skills. All participants will receive certification in professional grant writing from the Institute. For more information call (888) 824 - 4424 or visit The Grant Institute at www.thegrantinstitute.com.

The ***Washington Bar Association's Fifth Annual Career Fair*** will take place on **Saturday, February 23**. The purpose of the WBA's Career Fair is twofold: (1) to build bridges between members of the legal community and law students and (2) to give students the tools that will help make them strong competitors in today's legal market. The ultimate goal is for employers to commit to taking a serious look at these students' qualifications, and, if promising, to get them into the job track at their respective organizations, whether they are paid or volunteer positions.

Nearly one hundred law students participate from law schools in the region, along with dozens of employers and volunteers. Employers critique resumes, conduct mock interviews, and screen candidates for summer and permanent opportunities. If you are

interested in attending the career fair or have any questions, please contact Yaida Ford at yaidaoni@yahoo.com.

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, January 14, 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.

Preparing for the Virginia Bar - Tuesday, January 15, Room 119, 1:00-2:00 p.m.

Interview Skills Refresh - Wednesday, January 16, Room 127, 1:00-1:50PM.

Haven't a clue about what you would like to do with your law degree once you graduate? Confused about all the options out there? Come to **Career Choices: Deciding Your Legal Career Path** on **Thursday, January 17 at 12:50-1:50 p.m.** in Room 133. Bring your lunch and OCS will provide cookies ... and some helpful hints on how to zone in on the right career path for you.

Convinced that networking is definitely not for you? Dread the idea of talking to strangers and asking for advice? Join us for **Building Professional Relationships through Networking** on **Tuesday, January 22 at 12:50-1:50 p.m.** in Room 133. Learn how you can gain access to all those jobs that are not advertised. Bring your lunch; OCS will provide dessert.

WRITING COMPETITIONS



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

The **Federal Bar Association Section of Taxation** hosts an annual writing competition and invites students to participate. Students may submit any original, unpublished paper concerning federal income taxation. The author of the first place paper will receive a \$1,500 cash prize as well as a trip to the FBA's Annual Tax Law Conference in March 2008. The first place paper is also published in the Tax Section quarterly newsletter. The author of the second place paper will receive a cash prize of \$750 and a commemorative plaque. The second place paper is also published in the Tax Section quarterly newsletter. All entries must be postmarked by January 30, 2008. For details,

come to OCS or go to OCS Resources for Students on Blackboard (under Writing Competitions).

The **Adam A. Milani Disability Law Writing Competition**, sponsored by the Mercer University School of Law and the American Bar Association Commission on Mental and Physical Disability Law, has announced its 2008 Writing Competition. Submissions may address any aspect of disability law, theory or practice and should be trial-level or appellate briefs. First prize will range between \$300 and \$1,000, depending on whether multiple awards are given. Submissions must be postmarked by June 1, 2008. For more details, the application form and competition rules, go to www.law.mercer.edu.

The **2008 Tannenwald Writing Competition**, sponsored by the Theodore Tannenwald, Jr. Foundation for Excellence in Tax Scholarship and the American College of Tax Counsel is open to all law school students. Papers on any federal or state tax-related topic may be submitted. The cash prizes of \$3,300, \$2,500 and \$1,500 will be awarded for the top three papers. The submission deadline is July 1, 2008 at 9:00 p.m.

The **Paralyzed Veterans of America (PVA)** has announced its 2007-08 annual Legal Writing Competition. The topic this year is as follows: Should Congress Maintain, Modify or Completely Redesign the Department of Veterans Affairs Benefits Adjudication Process, and How Would the Resulting System Be Different from or Better Than the Current System? A first prize of \$3,000 and a second prize of \$1,500 will be awarded and PVA will assist winning entrants with having their work published in a professional journal. The deadline for submitting entries is April 30, 2008. For more information and application details, go to www.pccww.gov.

The **2008 Bert W. Levit Essay Contest**, sponsored by the ABA Standing Committee on Lawyers' Professional Liability and Long & Levit LLP has announced this year's essay contest topic; it concerns the application of a statutory mediation privilege to evidence at trial. The award for the best essay is \$5,000 and applications must be postmarked by **February 22, 2008**. For more information, go to www.abalegalservices.org/lpl/levit.html.

OCS LIBRARY: NEW RESOURCES

2007-2008 Virginia Review Directory of State & Local Government Officials, Review Publications, 2007.

Hampton Roads Legal Directory 2008, Professional Consulting Group, 2007

A directory of Hampton Roads courts, attorneys, and law firms with contact information and other important details.

Federal Regional Yellow Book, Summer 2007, Leadership Directories, Inc., 2007

Who's who in the federal government's departments, agencies, diplomatic missions, military installations and service academies outside Washington, DC.

Judicial Yellow Book, Spring 2007, Leadership Directories, Inc., 2007
Who's who in federal and state courts.

Nonprofit Sector Yellow Book, Summer 2007, Leadership Directories, Inc., 2007
Who's who in the management of the leading foundations, universities, museums and other nonprofit organizations.

2007 Associate Salary Survey, National Association for Law Placement, Inc., 2007
A comprehensive report on compensation for associates and summer associates at firms of various sizes in 37 cities as well locations outside the 37 cities.

Bureau of National Affairs Directory of State and Federal Courts, Judges, and Clerks, 2008 Edition, BNA Books, 2007
A compilation of information about the courts of record in the federal court system, the 50 states, the District of Columbia and the American territories.

The Music & Entertainment Industry Internship Guide, Fall 2007, Entertainment Media Consultants, 2007
A reference tool for students seeking information on internship opportunities in the music and entertainment industries.

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