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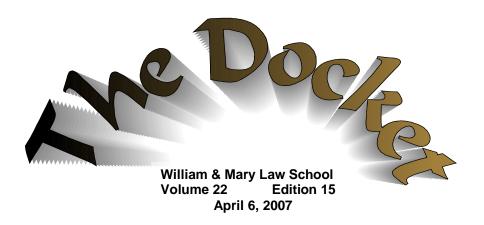
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NEWSWORTHY NOTES

We are pleased that the Honorable D. Brooks Smith, U.S. Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit has accepted our invitation to speak at the Law School Diploma Ceremony. The Third Circuit nearly always serves as a "regional Supreme Court" with final say on federal environmental and other issues for Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Delaware and the U.S. Virgin Islands. Prior to assuming this position in 2002, Judge Smith was nominated by President Reagan to serve as a judge on the U.S. District Court, Western District of Pennsylvania, a post he held from 1988 to 2002.

Congratulations to Virginia Kelly. She is getting published in the spring 2007 edition of Washington & Lee's *Environmental Law Digest*, which is the official publication of the Environmental Law Section of the Virginia Bar Association. Her student note is titled: Tax Court Strikes Down "McMansions": Building Back Public Confidence in Private Land Conservation."

Also, congratulations to Maryann Nolan. '07 who has been named the recipient of the 2007 Oliver White Hill Law Student Pro Bono Award from the Virginia State Bar (VSB). The VSB selects one law student recipient annually for the award, named in honor of civil rights attorney Oliver Hill. Mr. Hill fought to end racial discrimination under the "separate but equal" doctrine, arguing one of the five cases decided under Brown v. Board of Education. The VSB selected Nolan for her "passion for justice and [her] achievements in the areas of immigrant rights and international human rights," noting that her legal contributions fall squarely within Mr. Hill's legacy. Maryann will formally receive the award on May 17.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

EXAM CONFLICT FORMS are now available in the library and Gloria Todd's office. The deadline is Friday, April 13.

With warm weather here, more students are making use of the North Wing patio. Please be advised that all doors to this area are **locked at 5:00 p.m.**

3L students should complete the Diploma Ceremony and address information form that was sent via email by Chris Creech on April 3. A form is needed from *every degree candidate*. **The deadline for submission is April 13.**

1L and 2L students need to complete the summer address form sent via email by Chris Creech on April 3. The completed form provides the Law School with your summer address and Third Year Practice Certificate information. The deadline for submission is April 20.

Both forms may be completed and returned by email to Chris (cbcree@wm.edu). You may print out a hard copy and return to Chris in the reception area of the Administration suite, as well. Chris also has blank copies available.

Noted author, Os Guinness, will deliver a lecture April 12, 2007 titled "World Safe for Diversity: living with our deepest differences in age of exploding pluralism." The lecture, which is the 2nd in a speakers' series hosted by the WM Committee on Religion in a Public University, will be held at 6 p.m. in Millington Hall Auditorium #150. A Q&A session with Guinness will follow the talk. The lecture is free and open to the public. Please go to www.wm.edu/committee_on_religion for additional information or call Cheryl Corvello at 221-1159.

ALUMNI AFFAIRS

You are cordially invited to the **LAW ALUMNI WEEKEND** on *April 13-14*. The weekend features a combined celebration dinner for the Classes of 1966, 1967 and 1968, reunion dinners for the Classes of 1977, 1982, 1987, 1992, 1997 and 2002, and this year we will invite the most recent graduates, the Class of 2006. We will also invite the graduating Class of 2007 for their 3L Class Dinner. You are welcome to come to any event at no charge. Please see schedule below.

Brochures and registration forms are on the mail room table. If you'd like to come, please complete a registration form and return it to Kathy Pond in the Office of Development and Alumni Affairs (1st floor, North Wing) by Friday, March 30. Or, go to: http://www.wm.edu/law/alumni/reunion/registration.shtml

Events include:

Friday, April 13, 2007

REGISTRATION - Noon to 7:00 p.m.

PSF SILENT AUCTION

COLONIAL WILLIAMSBURG TOURS – 2:00 p.m. Wren Building (Duke of Gloucester Street entrance)

DEAN'S RECEPTION (Informal All-Class Gathering) and PSF Silent Auction Law School, 5:00-7:00 p.m.

Saturday, April 14, 2007

REGISTRATION – 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.
PSF SILENT AUCTION
TENNIS – 9:00 a.m. at McCormack-Nagelsen Tennis Center
GOLF TEE TIMES – Tee times starting 9:00 a.m., Golden Horseshoe
COLONIAL WILLIAMSBURG TOURS – Meet at Wren Building

MARSHALL-WYTHE GENERATIONS - 11:00 a.m.

William B. Spong, Jr. Classroom - no fee
Join us for a historic conversation featuring current students and MarshallWythe graduates from the past 40 years moderated by Dean Reveley.

FAMILY PICNIC – 11:30 a.m., Law School with Bubbles the Clown

A WALK IN THE WOODS WITH PROFESSOR LEVY – 2:00 p.m., meet at W&M Hall
STUDENT/ALUMNI RECEPTION – 6:30 p.m., Woodlands.

CLASS PARTIES – 8:00-10:00 p.m., Woodlands Conference Center

AFTER-DINNER RECEPTION – Music & Dessert, 10:00 p.m., Woodlands

ADMISSION

LOAN CONSOLIDATION WORKSHOP: will be on Wednesday, April 25th, in Room 119. The first session will be 9:00 - 10:00 am and will be repeated 1:00 - 2:00 pm. If you are preparing to graduate and thinking about loan consolidation, or if you want to know whether or not loan consolidation is right for you, attend the Loan Consolidation Workshop on April 25th. Presented by Wincy Jackson, Vice President for Campus Programs at Sallie Mae, the workshop will include an overview of loan consolidation - what it is, how it works, and when it may or may not be the right choice for students. She will also touch on managing your debt portfolio and loan repayment options. Please RSVP to Jen Meier at jmmeie@wm.edu if you plan to attend. Be sure to include the session of your choice.

FINANCIAL AID - Individual appointments are available for questions on financial aid, FAFSA, lender options, lender terms, and loan applications, bar loans, loan consolidation issues, loan repayment, and taxes. Appointments may be scheduled with Jennifer Meier, Assistant Director for Student Loans and Graduate Aid, for an individual meeting on Wednesday afternoon, April 11, at the Law School. Please stop by the Admission Office (rooms 104 and 105) to sign-up in advance for an available appointment time. You may contact the Office of Student Financial Aid, 218 Blow Memorial Hall (221-2426) to schedule appointments on other days.

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 for 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!

APPRECIATION FROM ADMISSIONS - The Law School Admission Team is pleased to report a large and strong applicant pool of over 4,200 this year. Many many student volunteers contributed to the success of the program. To all those volunteer tour guides, student hosts, phonathon participants, student emailers, together with the many students that participated in Admitted Student Weekend activities and other students who informally reached out to welcome our visitors - WE SAY THANKS!!!!

THE FEDERAL CIRCUIT BAR ASSOCIATION is offering three scholarships to law students who show financial need and have demonstrated academic promise. The Giles Sutherland Rich Memorial Scholarship offers one \$10,000 award each year. If additional funds are available, \$5,000 scholarships will be awarded under the William S. Bullinger Scholarship. In addition, the Howard T. Markey Memorial Scholarship will offer one \$10,000 scholarship to a law student with financial need and demonstrated academic promise as well as an interest in public service. Applicants for the above awards need only apply one time, and include college and law school transcripts, a one-page curriculum vitae and one page explaining the reason for financial need and any interest in particular areas of law. The deadline is April 30, 2007. Applications and questions regarding these scholarships may be directed to Stephen L. Peterson, Past President, Federal Circuit Bar Association, c/o Finnegan, Henderson, Farabow, Garnett & Dunner, 901 New York Avenue, NW, Washington DC 20001-4413.

MILBANK DIVERSITY SCHOLARS PROGRAM — Milbank, Tweed, Hadley & McCloy will select two students who are members of groups traditionally underrepresented to receive salaried summer associate positions in one of their offices in addition to a \$50,000 scholarship (\$15,000 toward the third year of law study and \$35,000 will be awarded contingent upon receipt and acceptance of a permanent offer of employment). Selection criteria include academic achievement, demonstrated leadership ability, excellent writing and interpersonal skills. Application materials must be submitted no later than September 1, 2007 and can be found at http://www.milbank.com/en/Diversity

ATTORNEY-CPA FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIPS will be awarded to fourteen students graduating from Law School in 2008. Criteria for these awards include commitment to the profession of accounting as evidenced by a CPA certificate, outstanding academic performance and leadership in school and community. Applications are available online at www.attorney-cpa.com/foundation and must be postmarked by April 15, 2007.

FROM THE OFFICE OF CAREER SERVICES

At this time, no announcements.

WRITING COMPETITIONS



Note: 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 the bulletin board in OCS, with additional information filed in the Applications Cabinet. In addition to the intellectual and often monetary benefits of these contests, the competitions are another way for you to demonstrate your legal writing abilities to prospective 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.

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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