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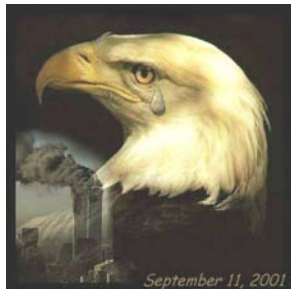
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THE ANNIVERSARY OF SEPTEMBER 11 WE SHALL NEVER FORGET

NEWSWORTHY NOTES

CONGRATULATIONS to [Shana Hofstetter](#) (3L), the recipient of the American Counsel Association 2007 George Kerr Scholarship Award. The scholarship check was officially awarded to her on Thursday, August 30, by Pamela A. Bresnahan, Vorys, Sater, Seymour and Pease.

NEED TO KNOW

Reminder! Flyers are not to be placed on any wall or door. You may place flyers in the student lounge (except the wood doors) and on the front doors of the building **ONLY ON THE DAY OF THE EVENT**. Please be sure to remove the flyers after your event.

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 did not register with the Law School Administrative office last spring, 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.

EXAM CONFLICT FORMS - Will be available from outside Gloria Todd's office and the handout center in the Law Library, on Tuesday, September 4. The deadline for these forms is Friday, November 2.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

WILLIAMSBURG FARMERS MARKET, MERCHANTS SQUARE - This Saturday, September 1, from 8:00 a.m.-noon, stock up at the Market on produce, baked goods, meats, seafood and cut flowers for Labor Day picnics. LeYaca Restaurant will present cooking demonstrations and Stephen Moore will sing and play during the morning.

SBA/HONOR COUNCIL INTEREST MEETING - 1Ls who are interested in running for SBA 1L Representative or applying to become a 1L Honor Council Justice should attend the informational meeting on ***Tuesday, September 4 at 1:00 p.m. in room 141.*** Members of SBA and the Honor Council will discuss their positions and answer any questions. This is also the time to hear the election rules and timetable as well as receive an "Intent to Run" form that is necessary if one wishes to be a candidate. If you wish to run, you **MUST** fill out the Intent form. The Intent form **MUST** be turned into David Sella-Villa's or Jennifer Bacon's (2L) hanging file by ***5:00 p.m. on Friday, September 7.***

SBA: WILLIAM & MARY LAW SCHOOL SOFTBALL TOURNAMENT - The annual W&M Law School Softball Tournament will be ***Friday, September 7 and Saturday, September 8*** at the James City County Community Center Softball Fields. We have reserved the JCC fields long enough that all teams should get to play three games Friday and all teams should have a chance to return and play the elimination games Saturday, depending on the number of teams in the tournament. We plan on seeding the teams after day one, and playing a single elimination tournament Saturday until we crown a champion. The winning team will represent William & Mary Law School at the UVA Law School Softball Tournament in the Spring.

IMPORTANT SOFTBALL RULE: There must always be at least 4 women on the field and in the batting line-up at all times. Even if you are not playing softball, come out and enjoy the tournament. Many people attend regardless, so please join us.

MANDATORY CAPTAINS' MEETING IN THE LAW SCHOOL LOBBY: ***September 5 at 1:00 p.m.*** Please bring your rosters to the meeting. If you cannot make the meeting,

but would like to enter a team, please e-mail your roster to David Bules and Mike Hinchcliffe no later than September 5 at 1:00 p.m. **Deadline for team rosters: September 5 at 1:00 p.m.** The schedule will be distributed by 5:00 p.m. that day. For more information contact David Bules (dtbule@wm.edu) and Mike Hinchcliffe (jmhinc@wm.edu).

BONE MARROW DRIVE: FLIP CUP - The Bone Marrow Drive's Fall flip cup tournament will be held **Saturday, September 8 at 6:00 p.m.** (after the SBA softball tournament). If you are interested, please email the name of your five team members (including a designated captain) to mcclay@wm.edu. The cost will be \$15/person. The tournament will be double elimination with each round being a best of 9. Rules and directions to the tournament site will be distributed to captains on Thursday, September 6.

ELECTION LAW SOCIETY GENERAL INTEREST MEETING - Do you want to be on the cutting edge of one of the fastest growing legal fields? You have the opportunity to be involved with the only Election Law program in the country. Join us this **Thursday, September 6 at 1:00 p.m. in Room TBA** to have pizza and to learn more about the Election Law Society, and discover how election law affects you!

Find out the answers to important questions, such as: What issues will affect the 2008 presidential election? Why do candidates have to include the statement, "I approve this ad," on their television commercials? Do limitations on campaign contributions or expenditures by individuals or organizations violate the First Amendment? Why did President Nichol, in response to several students who claimed that the Williamsburg voting registrar "unjustly denied students voting rights," call the voter registration discrepancies "unconstitutional?"

INTERNATIONAL LAW SOCIETY - The International Law Society will hold its first general membership meeting on **Thursday, September 6, in Room 127 at 12:50 p.m.** Please join us to discuss plans for the semester including the Open World Program with Russian lawyers and the LLM Thanksgiving Party.

PSF: GIVE-A-DAY PLEDGES DUE - PSF Give-A-Day pledges are due on or before **September 14**. A huge thank you goes out to those who gave a day of their summer earnings (however large or small). Checks can be deposited in Eric Anderson's (2L) or Joanna Klein's (2L) hanging file.

ADVOCATE SEEKING STAFF AND CONTRIBUTORS - The biweekly law student newspaper, The Advocate, is seeking writers, photographers, layout editors, business managers, and cartoonists. If you are interested, please email advoca@wm.edu.

LOCAL ACCOUNTING FIRM SEEKING A NON-CPA TRACK ACCOUNTANT - The firm is seeking a non-CPA track accountant with Quick Books knowledge. The position would entail 30+ hours a week. If your spouse or significant other is interested, please see Terri Lorincz for more information.

FRIDAY SOCCER - Join your fellow law students for a friendly pick-up soccer game on Friday afternoon. Everyone is welcome. Today's game will be held at the James City-County Recreation Center (on Longhill Road) at 3:00 p.m. If you would like to be included on the email list for Friday soccer, please email jlstic@wm.edu.

ADMISSION

THE OLIVER W. HILL AND SAMUEL W. TUCKER SCHOLARSHIPS are being offered by the Richmond Chapter of the Old Dominion Bar Association.. Applicants must submit a completed application form and an essay entitled "How will my present and future contributions within the legal community advance the work of Oliver W. Hill and Samuel W. Tucker." Applications must be received by **October 1, 2007**. For more information and an application, please stop by the Admission Office.

THE DONALD W. BANNER DIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIP is offering \$5,000 to law students currently pursuing a career in intellectual property law. The applicant must be a member of a historically under represented group (including race, sex, ethnicity, sexual orientation and disability and must have exemplary writing and oral communication skills. The application deadline is **October 1, 2007**. For more information and an application, please visit www.bannerwitcoff.com/diversity.cfm.

REVES CENTER GRADUATE STUDENT INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL GRANTS - The Reves Center for International Studies announces its Graduate Student International Travel Grants for Fall/Winter 2007/2008. 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, 2007 and February 29, 2008. 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 20, 2007**. No applications will be accepted after the deadline. Questions may be directed to Karen Dolan at ksdola@wm.edu. Further information is available at <http://www.wm.edu/revescenter/campus/funding/gradtravelgrants.php>.

ALUMNI DEVELOPMENT

CLASS OF 2010 - You are cordially invited to join Dean Reveley and The George Wythe Society of Citizen Lawyers for a unique guided tour of Historic Colonial Williamsburg followed by a reception at the Wren Building. We will meet at 6:30 p.m. Thursday, September 6 in the front entrance hall of the Law School. We will visit George Wythe's home and see many other places of interest. Please RSVP to Kathy Pond Office of Development and Alumni Affairs by September 4 ktpond@wm.edu 221-3796.

CO-COUNSEL PROGRAM AND SIGN-UP - Each year the William & Mary Law School Alumni Association sponsors the Co-Counsel Program. This is a program that pairs first-year students (Junior Counsels) with alumni (Senior Counsels). The purpose is to identify alumni mentors who can provide advice, guidance and moral support, as well as insight into legal careers. Although it is not intended to be a form of job placement, it is an opportunity to learn more about the practice of law from someone who received their legal education at William & Mary.

It is hoped you will take advantage of the Co-Counsel Program. If you wish to participate in the program you will have the opportunity to select a Senior Counsel from materials provided by the alumni participants. On **September 4-5, 2007**, Kathy Pond will be in the Law School lobby from **9:00–11:00 a.m.** to help you choose your Senior Counsel. After September 5th, all remaining Senior Counsel forms can be accessed by visiting Kathy in suite 136C, in the North Wing. Most Senior Counsels are able to take only one Junior Counsel. Matches are made on a first-come, first-served basis.

BRIGHAM KANNER PROPERTY RIGHTS CONFERENCE - The William & Mary Property Rights Project and the Institute of Bill of Rights Law will present the Fourth Annual Brigham Kanner Property Rights Conference on **October 5-6**. The conference will include panels on the work of Professor Margaret J. Radin, the application of redevelopment law to blight, case studies of *Kelo's* empowerment of condemnors, and abuses of eminent domain. The conference concludes with a roundtable luncheon discussion about whether or not redevelopment projects can succeed without the use of eminent domain. For more info, contact ktpond@wm.edu.

OFFICE OF CAREER SERVICES

Web Site of the Week - The newly updated 2007-08 Federal Legal Employment Opportunities Guide is now available at no charge at: http://www.pslawnet.org/assets/397_0708fedlegalempguide.pdf. This link is also on the PSLawNet homepage under the Helpful Publications heading. 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

The **Public Interest Student Forum** will be held from 1:00-3:00 p.m, on **Friday, October 5, 2007** at the Georgetown University Law Center. A collaboration between NALP, the National Legal Aid & Defender Association, Legal Services Corporation, and Equal Justice Works, the interactive forum will provide students with the opportunity to engage in candid dialogue with employers in a setting more informal than a job interview. Discussion topics will range from the mechanics of finding a civil legal services position and managing student loan debt to the impact civil legal services attorneys make and the long-term future of civil legal services in the United States.

The forum is open to students from all schools, BUT space is limited and the registration process will be selective. Students may register for the forum by emailing their name, school, class year, and previous experience (if any) with civil legal services to pslawnet@nalp.org, placing Public Interest Law Student Forum in the subject line. Registration must be received by **Tuesday, September 4, 2007**. Students selected to attend the forum will be notified on Friday, September 7 so that they have time to make any necessary travel arrangements to attend the forum.

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 salary (up to \$37,500 annually) 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/fellows/info.php#A4>. 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 2008 Equal Justice Works Fellowships online application can be accessed at: <http://www.equaljusticeworks.org/fellows/2008fellow.php>. Students may review the application form by creating a profile and an application name. **THE DEADLINE IS 5:00 P.M. EDT ON TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2007**. Fellows selected this fall will begin their terms in September 2008. **Questions** should be directed to fellowships@equaljusticeworks.org or 202-466-3686, x 202.

The Equal Justice Works Career Fair in Washington, DC is on **October 6-7, 2007**. Over 100 government and public interest employers have registered to interview, and others may register later. Information is available at: www.equaljusticeworks.org/careerfair/. This is the largest interview program of its type and offers significant opportunities for employment and networking. There will also be numerous workshops on public interest career development and legal issues.

2Ls and 3Ls: Information on the **U.S. Department of Justice** hiring programs is available online at www.usdoj.gov/oarm. Applications for the **Summer Law Intern Program** for 2Ls and the **Attorney General's Honors Program** for 3Ls must be submitted online. You have until midnight on **Monday, September 17, 2007** to submit your applications online, but we advise students not to wait until the last day to submit, in case anything should go wrong with their Web site. September 17 is a **FIRM DEADLINE**.

Students interested in opportunities with the U.S. Department of Justice should attend the **U.S. Department of Justice Information Session** scheduled for **Tuesday, September 4 at 1:00 p.m. in Room 133**. For details, see below.

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>.

If students are interested in either of the above programs, OCS strongly recommends that you attend the **CIA Lunch with Lawyers Program on Tuesday, September 11** (see Upcoming Programs below). Applicants must be U.S. citizens who are third-year students.

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 1, 2007**. Fellowship application procedures are described on www.epa.gov/ogc/fellowship.htm.

Labor and Employment Law: The Peggy Browning Fund is sponsoring their ninth annual **National Law Students Workers' Rights Conference** on **Friday & Saturday, October 19-20** in Silver Spring, Maryland. The program will include a keynote address, panel discussions, 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 the students' \$25 registration fee. Students should have a demonstrated interest in either workers' rights issues or public interest law. Some support may also be available for on-site meals and lodging. If you are interested in attending this program, see Dean Corello in OCS by **September 15**. For more information, see www.peggybrowningfund.org.

The first annual **Health Law Student Conference**, entitled *Taking the Health Law Career Path* will be held on **October 19, 2007** at the University of Pittsburgh School of Law. Organized by the American Society of Law, Medicine & Ethics, the goal of this conference is to provide students interested in exploring careers in health law with a tool kit for success. The conference will include a plenary session to provide an update on health law, panels on a variety of employment possibilities and a networking reception.

Registration for the conference is \$35. For more information and registration, go to www.aslme.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 16 at 5:00 p.m.**

50 Best Law Firms for Women: Working Mother Magazine has published an article on the Best 50 Law Firms for Women in their August/September issue. OCS has a copy of this issue if anyone would like to read it. The article is also available on their Web site at <http://www.workingmother.com/web?service=vpage/797>.

Fax Machine: A fax machine is available in Room 263E of 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

Careers with the U.S. Department of Justice - Jim Ropelewski (W&M '90), an attorney with the U.S. Department of Justice, will be on campus to discuss job opportunities through the Attorney General's Honors Program (for 3Ls) and the Summer Law Intern Program (for 2Ls) on **Tuesday, September 4 at 12:50 p.m. in Room 133**. The **application deadline** for

these programs is **September 17**. Find out which divisions are hiring, what the work is like, etc. at this information session.

State and Specialty Court Clerkships for 3Ls: Room 133 on **Wednesday, September 5, from 12:50-1:50 p.m.** Two alumnae, M. Janelle Lyons, Esq ('05) and Erin Butler Hess, Esq. ('04), will speak about their clerkship experience.

Lunch with Lawyers: Associate Life at a Plaintiffs Class Action Firm will take place on **Thursday, September 6 at 1:00-1:45 PM in Room 141**. Two alumni from Cohen Milstein Hausfeld & Toll in Washington, DC will be on hand to talk about their challenging and rewarding work with plaintiffs in Class Action cases. Joe Barton (W&M Law 2000) and Doug Bunch (W&M Law 2006)

Lunch with Lawyers: Central Intelligence Agency-Office of General Counsel - Tuesday, September 11 at 12:50-1:50 p.m. Jeff Yeates, a William & Mary Law School alum ('00) will discuss the work of the Office of General Counsel at the CIA. Mr. Yeates will also explain the application process for the Legal Honors Program for 3Ls and the Summer Legal Clerkship Program for 2Ls (see above for more information).

NEW RESOURCES IN THE OCS LIBRARY

Directories

InterAction Members Profile - InterAction is the largest alliance of U.S.-based international development and humanitarian non-governmental organizations. With 160 members operating in every developing country, InterAction works to overcome poverty, exclusion and suffering by advancing social justice and basic dignity for all. This directory is a compilation of in-depth profiles of InterAction member organizations working in international development, disaster relief and refugee assistance.

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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