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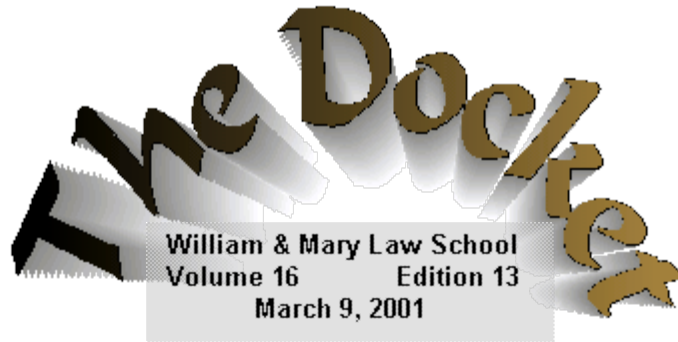
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## MARK YOUR CALENDAR

**PROFESSOR PAUL RISHWORTH** of the University of Auckland, New Zealand, will be in residence at the law school on **Wednesday, March 14**. He will be speaking at breakfast with students from 9:00-10:00 a.m. and at lunch with faculty from 12:00-1:00 p.m. Both programs will be in the Dean's Conference Room.

Professor Rishworth, a leading rights scholar in New Zealand, is currently collaborating on a book that will compare the New Zealand Bill of Rights Act with its American counterpart. He will speak about Chief Justice Marshall's legacy in New Zealand. As part of his discussion, Professor Rishworth plans to examine the influence of U.S. Indian laws from the Marshall era against Maori Rights in New Zealand, plus the role of judicial review of legislation in New Zealand.

Professor Rishworth's speech will offer a unique perspective of the possibilities and problems arising from implementing a Bill of Rights without a written constitution acting as the "superior law" of the nation. Send e-mail registration to [IBRL@wm.edu](mailto:IBRL@wm.edu) if you would like to participate in either program.

**THE LEGACY OF CHIEF JUSTICE JOHN MARSHALL.** On **March 16 and 17**, the Institute of Bill of Rights Law will hold the final John Marshall Bicentennial Symposium which will focus specifically on the legacy of the Great Chief Justice. This symposium will open with a re-argument of Marshall's greatest case, *Marbury v. Madison*, and will proceed with three panels of distinguished constitutional law scholars who will consider the various ways in which Marshall shaped our structure of constitutional government. The proceeding of this symposium will be published in the *William and Mary Law Review*.

The moot court, presided over by circuit court judges, will begin on **Friday, March 16, 1:00-2:30 p.m.**, followed at 2:45 p.m. by "The Legacy of Judicial Review." The panel discussions will continue on **Saturday, March 17, 9:00-noon**. The program will be held both days in the McGlothlin Courtroom.

**3L'S – DON'T FORGET THIS DATE** - Book store representatives will be accepting orders for caps, gowns and graduation announcements on *Wednesday, March 21, in the Lobby from 12:00-4:30 p.m.*

**BAR INFORMATION** - Specific bar information for all states and Puerto Rico is on reserve in the library. Virginia bar character forms are available on the handout shelves in the library. 3Ls planning to sit for the Virginia Bar, should block *Wednesday, March 21, 3:30-4:30 p.m., room 120* on their calendars for a Virginia Bar information session regarding application and taking the exam.

**3L GIFT KICK-OFF PARTY**, *Thursday, March 22, 4:00-7:00 p.m., Lobby and Patio.*

**ENVIRONMENTAL LAW & POLICY REVIEW SYMPOSIUM**, Toxic Torts: Issues of Mass Litigation, Case Management, and Ethics, will be held on *Friday-Saturday, March 23-24, 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m., room 120*. This symposium seeks to explore current issues and developments in toxic tort litigation. Panelists include leading scholars in causation and ethics, as well as activists and practitioners who have been involved in a variety of toxic tort litigation, including recent litigation involving the tobacco industry. Fees: General admission \$10, Students and faculty free. Friday panels will run from 8:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m. and 2:15-6:00 p.m. A reception will follow the afternoon panel. The Saturday panel (ethics) will run from 9:15 a.m.-1:00 p.m. For more information or to register for the Symposium, please call 757/221-3802.

**EXAM CONFLICT FORMS** are now available at the handout counter in the library. The deadline to file is *Friday, March 30 to Gloria Todd.*

The annual **SPRING ADMITTED STUDENT DAY** will be held on *March 31*. Marnie Jensen and Jen Redmond are coordinating overnight housing arrangements and student participation in the event. Student volunteers are needed. We appreciate your assistance in meeting and hosting visitors and sharing helpful information regarding the William & Mary experience. Contact Marnie or Jen if you would like to help. Drop a note in their hanging file or send an e-mail to: [majens@wm.edu](mailto:majens@wm.edu) or [jlredm@wm.edu](mailto:jlredm@wm.edu).

## **NOTICE OF EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY**

The Real Property Section of the Board of Governors of the Virginia State Bar would like to hire a law student to research proposed revisions to the laws governing treatment of real property in the administration of decedents' estates. The Board will pay \$10/hour. If you are interested in the research position, please submit a resume, writing sample, and copy of your transcript to Dean Lynda Butler.

## **FROM ADMISSIONS**

*Housing Opportunities* – The Admission Office would appreciate hearing from students who know of apartments and housing opportunities that will become available this summer. If you are moving from a desirable location or are looking for roommates for next year, please stop by

with the particulars or e-mail us at [lawadm@wm.edu](mailto:lawadm@wm.edu) or [jmkemk@wm.edu](mailto:jmkemk@wm.edu). Your information will be distributed to new admits on March 31. Thanks for your help!

## REGISTRATION

Fall 2001 registration will be *March 26 for rising 3Ls and March 27 for rising 2Ls*. Registration Bulletins will be distributed by March 20. There will be a *Registration Information Session for rising 2Ls on March 22, 3:00 p.m. room 119*. Faculty, administrators and upper-level students will provide insight on course selection and registration process. Please plan to attend.

## FROM LEGAL SKILLS

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**CONGRATULATIONS** on completing the draft of your Client B memorandum! The final draft of your memorandum is due *March 26th at 9:00 a.m.*

*Complaints for Client B are due April 4 at 9:00 a.m. and Answers and Counterclaims are due April 11 at 9:00 a.m. Replies, if needed, are due April 16 at 9:00 a.m.* Before preparing and filing your pleadings, please review the Legal Skills Policies, Procedures and Rules Manual for clerk of court filing rules. There is a copy of the Manual in the Legal Skills Office, and on the Legal Skills I page of the W&M Law web site.

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Consortium meetings will again be held the week of March 12th. This week's topic is supervisor/subordinate relationships and confidentiality review. Remember to talk to your Senior Partner and make arrangements to attend another group's consortium meeting if you have a class conflict.

The *final* appellate docket has been posted. Please review the docket immediately upon your return from Spring Break and notify the Clerk of Court *immediately* if there is some sort of conflict with the scheduled time for your oral argument. Thank you for your assistance in filing the Report of Conflict Forms before break.

For appellees who are now preparing their appellate briefs, remember to review the Rules of Appellate Procedure from the Legal Skills Policies, Procedures and Rules Manual. Any briefs that do not comply with the Rules will be returned as improperly filed. There is a copy of the Manual in the Legal Skills Office, and on the Legal Skills I page of the W&M Law web site. Thanks to all 2Ls for their hard work on the appellate briefs.

## FROM OCPP

*World Wide Website of the Week:* [www.idealists.org](http://www.idealists.org) links public interest job applicants with nonprofit groups. You can sign up for a service whereby a customized e-mail will be sent daily or whenever a job has been posted that might be of interest.

### ▶▶▶▶ UPCOMING PROGRAMS ◀◀◀◀

*Summer Work for Academic Credit, Thursday, March 15, 2001, 3:00 p.m., Room 119* - Procedures and requirements pertaining to working for academic credit will be discussed.

*“Everything You Wanted To Know About Character And Fitness And The Bar Exam . . . But Were Afraid To Ask.” Wednesday, March 21, 3:30 p.m. in room 120.* Representatives from the Virginia State Bar will discuss a variety of issues related to the Virginia Bar Exam including a description of the character and fitness process, recurring issues/problems of which you should be aware, how bar exam questions are drafted, the scoring and review process, and common mistakes and how to avoid them.

*Platinum Plunger Rejection Letter Contest* - OCPP announces the 15th Annual Platinum Plunger Rejection Letter Contest. Submit your most outrageous, humorous, revolting letters to Carolyn Chambers, Dean Kaplan or Dean Thrasher. Awards ceremony to be held in April.

*Law School Funding for Summer Government and Public Interest Jobs* - Application materials for the seven Law School-funded summer stipends are available in the OCPP Applications Drawer under William and Mary Summer Public Interest/Government Fellowship and William and Mary Public Service Fund. *Application deadline for funding is 5:00 p.m., Tuesday, March 27.*

*Additional Summer Housing Options* - Catholic University offers housing in Washington DC (visit [cua-summer@cua.edu](mailto:cua-summer@cua.edu)). Educational Housing offers housing in New York City (visit [www.studenthousing.org](http://www.studenthousing.org)).

*Foreign Service Exam* has been *rescheduled for September 29, 2001*. Information will be available at the State Department's website ([www.state.gov](http://www.state.gov)) *after March 23, 2001*. Domestic registration *deadline will be August 24, 2001*.

*An International Externship Program* - is sponsored by American University's Washington College of Law. Through the program students participate in a three day intensive seminar in May, then travel to their overseas externship site, and finally return for a three-day debriefing. See information in the Graduate and Summer Abroad program file or visit [www.wcl.american.edu/pub/externship](http://www.wcl.american.edu/pub/externship).

*2L Judicial Clerkship Applicants* - Please keep us apprised of your judicial clerkship search status. Thanks!

***DON'T FORGET TO CONTINUE TO CHECK the OCI+ Job Bank daily.*** We continue to receive listings from employers.

***ILs & 2Ls - Summer Research Assistant Positions with Faculty Members*** - OCPP has surveyed professors about their hiring plans for summer 2001. A chart summarizing their needs and hiring procedures is posted outside OCPP.

***Writing Competition Update*** - 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 boards around the corner from OCPP. 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.

We have recently received notices regarding the following upcoming competitions:

- OOO The ***Berkeley Technology Law Journal*** competition seeks entries on *internet law, multimedia law, patent law, biotechnology, chemistry, engineering, environmental law, computer software or genetics*. The *Journal* will accept all submissions that address some aspect of the law that implicates technology in any degree. Submissions must be ***postmarked by March 15, 2001.***
  
  - OOO The ***American Judges Association*** announces its 2001 Student Essay Competition. Papers will be judged on a number of factors including the *interest of the topic and content to a broad segment of the judiciary*. ***Deadline to submit entry is June 30, 2001.***
  
  - OOO The ***American Bar Association Section of Family Law*** announces the 2001 Howard C. Schwab Memorial Essay Contest on *any aspect of family law*. ***Deadline is April 3, 2001.***
  
  - OOO The ***American Society of Composers, Authors & Publishers*** announces the Annual Nathan Burkan Competition for third-years students on any aspect of *copyright law*. ***Deadline to submit the entry is June 30, 2001.***
  
  - OOO The ***FoxKiser Annual Writing Competition in Law, Science & Medicine*** seeks original works that focus on the growing convergence of science and medicine with law. Entries must be received by ***June 30, 2001.***
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THE DOCKET is a biweekly publication of the William & Mary Law School produced during the academic year. All submissions (in 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.

**2001 publication schedule**

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