

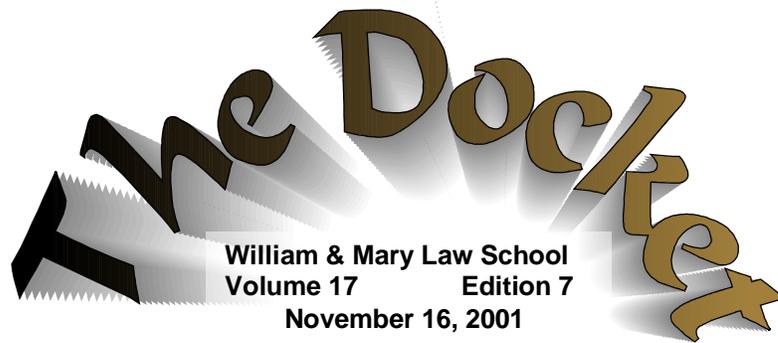
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CONGRATULATIONS to **James Hess**, the winner of the 2001/02 Drapers' Scholarship.

The seven-member ABA Site Evaluation Team has come and gone and the Dean would like to thank one and all for the good work during the inspection.

EXAMS ARE LOOMING

Please read carefully the exam regulations at: <http://www.wm.edu/law/academicprograms/regulations/index.shtml>. These regulations explain both the taking of exams and use of computers for taking exams. If you have any question **what-so-ever** regarding the process of taking exams, please seek clarification from faculty or administration.

EXAM CODE NUMBERS

Remember that all students have an assigned Exam Code for use in law courses where anonymous grading is used. Students may access their Exam Code through the SIS system (do take care not to revoke yourself), or more easily through the Internet: <http://worcs.wm.edu>. Once the WORCS has been accessed, select "Student Information" and then enter your E-mail ID (typically the first letter of your first name, your middle initial, and the first four letters of your last name -- but check the directory in the library for accuracy) and your **SIS** pin number. Your SIS pin number is **NOT** your computer access pin number or your E-mail account pin number. Your SIS pin number **IS** your birth day and the last four digits of your SSN. (E.g., the pin number for birth date September 04, 1970 and SSN 123-45-6789 is 046789. FYI: you will be asked to change your pin number the first time you access the system. **REMEMBER** to what you have changed your pin. The SIS does NOT reset pin numbers automatically. Your pin number will remain whatever number you select. If you forget your pin number or are revoked from the system, please see Gloria Todd or Liz Jackson to reset your pin number to its default.

HONOR CODE

A reminder that our Honor Code and Honor system process is found both on the Web site

[\(<http://www.wm.edu/law/academicprograms/regulations/honorsystem.shtml>\)](http://www.wm.edu/law/academicprograms/regulations/honorsystem.shtml)

and in the Student Handbook (found on the Student Lounge shelving). Please seek out a member of the Law School Honor Council or the Chief Justice, Tim Trant, should you have any question about either the Code or the process.

SPRING SCHEDULES

1L spring schedules are complete. They may be viewed easily through the Internet using the same instructions as those for accessing Exam Code Numbers.

Many first-year students are already looking towards the selection of courses for their second year. Registration materials will be available with the 2002/03 course offerings in March of 2002, however students may access current course descriptions under "Academic Programs" on our Internet site. Additional information regarding course selection will come to 1Ls in the spring. As a reminder, students must successfully pass 84 credit hours, and complete the entire first-year curriculum, Law 113-114 Legal Skills III_IV and Law 115 Legal Skills_Ethics. By the end of their third year, all students must satisfy the writing requirement by successfully completing a seminar or class which requires a significant research paper, completing Law 705 Independent Legal Writing or completing a substantial writing project as a staff member on any of the credit-bearing journals. Students are encouraged to study the academic regulations found on our Internet site.

FALL GRADES

All students will be able to view their William & Mary grades through the SIS and through the Internet (<http://worcs.wm.edu>) after the scheduled due date -- the Friday of the add/drop period following the exam period. (E.g., fall grades may be viewed after January 15.)

Getting to Know . . .

This is a new feature of The Docket. The Personnel Committee will feature some of the personalities that make our Law School a great place to work and learn, allowing us to know the people in the halls a little better. The Committee has selected those interviewed, other than Dean Reveley, at random from all Law School employees. ***Pay close attention to the details because William & Mary Law School Trivia Questions will be asked during the year based on these interviews!***

Sandy Oertli



In terms of longevity at the law school, Sandy has few equals. She first worked here from 1970 to 1972, left for a short while for her children, and began again in August of 1977. She has worked under five law library directors.

Sandy's job has changed. Hired as secretary to the director, she became very interested in the technical aspects of the library. In 1985 she took the position of Library Practitioner. Most of

her time is spent receiving and entering into the LION system the periodicals, loose-leaf continuations, and unclassified serials. She maintains that part of the collection and is responsible for the binding of all periodicals. It is Sandy that routes all periodicals and loose-leaf continuations to faculty and staff. She feels that her job is really interesting and enjoyable. She likes working in the Law Library with great people and a good atmosphere, and she has been impressed with each of the Directors she has worked for.

Outside of work, Sandy is involved with her large extended family and her interest in Virginia history. Living in Lanexa close to her are her parents, her brother, and two of her three sisters as well as her daughter and granddaughter. She loves spending time with them, especially her nine-year-old granddaughter. (Her license plate is "G-Maw"!)

She also shares an interest in camping, the Blue Ridge Mountains, and in Virginia history with her family, especially her brother. Last year, they took a parade of five campers to the mountains! Her next trip is planned for Gettysburg as she is becoming more interested in Civil War history. Trips are not always limited to vacations, either. Last weekend, she went to the Monticello area to enjoy the scenery and history. This interest has spilled over to her other hobby, reading, where she has added Virginia and Civil War history to her normal fare of mysteries.

Eric Kades



Eric Kades, a visiting professor from Wayne State University Law School in Detroit, Michigan, has spent his first semester at William & Mary teaching Property to first years and Economic Analysis to second- and third-year students. Eric's path to law professor wasn't the most traditional - after college he worked in the Federal

Reserve, then went into Investment Banking, and from there went to graduate school in Computer Science. Eric's interest in law and economics eventually led him to Yale Law School. After graduating with his J.D., Eric clerked for one year with Judge Greenberg of the 3rd Circuit before beginning his career as a law professor at Wayne State University Law School. Eric has been teaching at Wayne State for six years.

Eric lives within walking distance of the College and Colonial Williamsburg with his wife, Leigh Ann, and their eight-year old daughter, Jennifer. When he's not teaching, Eric spends time coaching Jennifer's soccer team, reading her the Harry Potter books, and shopping on e-bay. Eric's Mom and Dad will be getting a surprise Christmas gift this year as he presents them with about sixty postcards from his parents' hometowns in Wisconsin, all purchased on e-bay. E-bay is also a site he checks out for old tapes of his favorite T.V. show, The Rockford Files.

William & Mary's relaxed atmosphere is one of the things Eric likes best about the law school, as well as the collegial faculty. Eric's two classes have active students that make teaching here enjoyable and fun. The law school also has a little bit of Eric's hometown of Beloit, Wisconsin in it - Professor Kathy Urbonya grew up in the same hometown.

FROM OCPP

World Wide Web Site of the Week - FindLaw.com claims to be the “highest-trafficked legal Web site, providing the most comprehensive set of legal resources on the Internet for legal professionals, businesses, students and individuals.” Their *Law Student Resources* section alone will keep you busy for hours! <http://findlaw.com/>

HOT JOBS



While on-campus interviews may be done for the semester, there are still employers out there soliciting applications from William & Mary students. OCPP continues to receive numerous listings *daily* for summer and permanent positions. Check the **OCI+ Job Bank** frequently for new listings!

NEW RESOURCE

OCPP has just received the ***Vault Guide to the Top 100 Law Firms (4th Edition)***. The blurb on the cover says, “Over 9,000 lawyers rank the top firms and give you the inside story.” In addition to providing insider profiles of the Top 100, their “Best of the Rest” section gives background information on an additional 75 firms. A good source of background information for any students who are looking at large private firms.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

We'll Be Open - For those of you planning ahead, OCPP will be open throughout finals, and Deans Kaplan and Lewis will be available for appointments through December 20th and then again in the new year beginning January 2nd.

Applying for a Government or Public Interest Summer Job? Funding available through William & Mary may help you get that job! There are seven **Fellowship Programs** that provide stipends of up to \$3000 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 near OCPP that describes William & Mary's various Fellowship Programs for the summer of 2002. Please feel free to include this flier with your resumes and cover letters to government and public service employers. 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 2002 Funding for 2Ls Funding through six programs (Bell, Criminal Justice, Lambda, Virginia Law Foundation, Public Service Fund [PSF], and Williams) is available through an "early-decision" process. There are two separate application forms – one for PSF only and one for all other sources. The forms are available in the Application File Cabinet under "William & Mary Public Service Fund" and "William & Mary Summer Public Interest/Government Fellowship." **Fall application deadline is Monday, November 19 at 5:00 p.m.**

PSLawNet - William & Mary Law School subscribes to the **Public Service Law Network Worldwide**, which gives students special access to a searchable database of thousands of government, public service and *pro bono* opportunities worldwide. You can find positions in many practice areas, including criminal law, tax law, housing, AIDS/HIV issues, bankruptcy, women's issues, civil liberties, entertainment and more. Hundreds of paid jobs and fellowships are also listed. Just go to www.PSLawNet.org to register and start searching; there is also a handout in OCPP with tips for searching the web site. The service is free to W&M students.

Enter and Win! OCPP announces the **16th Annual Platinum Plunger Rejection Letter Contest**. Submit your most outrageous, humorous, revolting letters from employers to Carolyn Chambers, Dean Kaplan, or Dean Lewis. Awards ceremony to be held in April.

WRITING COMPETITIONS (see OCPP for more info)

- .. **Health Law** Epstein Becker & Green, a national firm engaged in the practice of health law, announces its fourth annual **Health Law Writing Competition** for papers on current topics of interest relating to health law. Papers may address any traditional area of the law as applied to health care (e.g., antitrust, tax, corporate), or areas of law unique to health care (e.g., fraud and abuse, managed care, Medicare/Medicaid). First prize is \$4,000, second prize is \$2,000, and third prize is \$500. **Competition entries are due January 18, 2002.**
- .. **World Affairs** The **Dorothy Schramm World Affairs Student Writing Competition**, coordinated by *Transnational Law and Contemporary Problems*, a journal of The University of Iowa College of Law, is seeking papers addressing topics of contemporary transnational legal concern. The winning paper will be published and a cash prize may be awarded. **Submissions must be received no later than February 1, 2002.**
- .. **International Law** The **International Practice Section of the Virginia State Bar** is sponsoring its annual international law writing competition, which is open only to students enrolled in a law school in Virginia. First and second prizes of \$1,500 and \$500, respectively, will be awarded. Students are encouraged to submit papers written for a class this term or any past term on any legal topic relating to international business or trade. **Submissions are due no later than March 25, 2002.**
- .. **Family Law** Each year the ABA Section of Family Law conducts the **Howard C. Schwab Memorial Essay Contest in Family Law**. The contest is open to second- and third-year law students, and essays can address any aspect of family law. Cash prizes of \$700, \$500, and \$300 will be awarded, and each winner will receive a certificate for one free book (value up to \$99.95). **Entries must be postmarked on or before April 5, 2002.**
- .. **Tax Law** The **2002 Tannenwald Writing Competition** will award first, second and third prizes of \$3,000, \$2,000, and \$1,000, respectively, for winning papers on any topic in the field of taxation. **Submissions are due July 1, 2002.**

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