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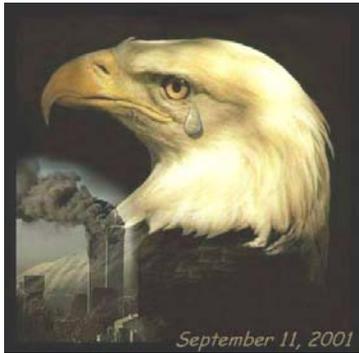
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CAMPUS WIDE EVENTS SCHEDULED IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE ANNIVERSARY OF SEPTEMBER 11

A commemoration program will begin at 9:00 a.m., September 11, in the Law School Lobby and will feature reflections by students, faculty, and staff. A continental breakfast will also be served.

A moment of silence in honor of the victims of September 11th may take place, at the professor's discretion, in 10:00 a.m. Law School classes.

The Black Law Students Association will be collecting monetary donations for victims of the September 11th attack through the Red Cross on Tuesday, September 10th and Wednesday, September 11th. Donations will be accepted in the Law School Lobby.

The College of William & Mary will hold a brief program of remembrance and reflection in the Wren Courtyard from 11:45 a.m.-12:15 p.m., on September 11. Members of the Law School who plan to attend the program are encouraged to meet at 11:30 a.m. in front of the Law School, so that we can walk to the Wren Building together.

The Muscarelle Museum of Art will have a special event in observance of the tragedies of September 11. *In Memoriam: New York City 9/11/01*, an Emmy-nominated film documenting the attacks on the World Trade Center will be shown in the galleries of the museum on Wednesday, September 11, 2002, at noon, 1:00 p.m., 2:00 p.m., and 3:00 p.m. The presentation is free and open to the public, but viewer discretion is advised, as the film contains many difficult and graphic scenes.

Dr. George Lopez will deliver a lecture on "Dealing with Terror Violence: A One-Year Assessment" on Tuesday, September 10, 7:00 p.m. in Small 113.

The Society of the Alumni invites the William & Mary Community to a special memorial service and dedication of a tree in tribute and memory of our alumni who died on September 11. The program will be held on the William & Mary Alumni Center Lawn on Saturday, September 14 at 8:30 a.m. Please RSVP by calling Cindy Gillman at 221-1176.

IN CASE YOU HAVEN'T HEARD ...

The Honorable Walter S. Felton, Jr. was sworn in on September 5 as a Judge of the Court of Appeals of Virginia. **CONGRATULATIONS!**

Direct descendants of John Marshall and Henry Clay in our first-year class: As noted in an August 29 story in the Daily Press, John Marshall is the four times great-grandfather of *Troy Hammon* '05 and Henry Clay is the great-grandfather (plus three) of *Ian Ralby* '05. Talk about family ties! A link to the Daily Press story can be found under "News & Events" on the Law School's home page.

[[[[MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Casino Night, Law School Lobby, Saturday, September 14, 9:00 p.m.-midnight.

Supreme Court Preview, Friday and Saturday, September 20-21.

WHERE DO YOU LIVE?

The Law School must always have your most current address and phone number on file. Students should check the contact information listed at: <http://cardozo.wm.edu/people.asp> for accuracy. Please notify Chris Creech immediately of any correction to this information. Students should also log into the WORCS (<http://worcs.wm.edu>) then click into student information, enter your registration userid (first part of your email) and pin number (the default is based on the DAY of birth and last four of social security number [or student ID number]). The WORCS has detailed student information and is where you can access your exam code number and grades. Please review your information on the WORCS for accuracy.

Reminder! No signs on walls, doors or windows. You may post notices in the Student Lounge (using tape only on the walls and doors please). Obtain permission from Gloria Todd to post notices on the Administration Bulletin Board.

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, are provided 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.

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 placed in the administrator/faculty mailbox. ***Please remember that students are not allowed in the workroom.***

CHECKED YOUR E-MAIL?

Remember that you are expected to check your e-mail at least once a day. If you have forwarded your college e-mail account to your personal account, you are responsible for verifying that the forwarded address is accurate.

REMEMBER THE INTERNET! Use the Law School web site to answer common questions regarding academics and/or student life. AND, please review the Unified Honor Code found from the Law School Homepage by clicking on Student Life, then Academic Regulations, then Honor System or: <http://www.wm.edu/OSA/dostud/hcode.htm>

UNOFFICIAL TRANSCRIPTS

A fresh unofficial transcript will be dropped to all 2L and 3L students in the near future. This transcript will have grades earned through Summer 2002 as well as the current fall schedule. Please review it for accuracy and immediately bring discrepancies to Dean Jackson's attention. **PLEASE MAKE A THOUSAND COPIES** for your use during the interview season. Only one copy will be supplied to you by Dean Jackson.

24 ACCESS

The Law School is open 24/7 with ID access after the close of business. It is extremely important that security to the building not be compromised, especially after hours. Please protect yourself, your colleagues and your possessions by keeping access doors closed. Campus police will check the building several times between 10:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m. to ensure doors are not propped open.

Be sure to test your ID card in the magnetic locks before you need to use your card. If the green light does not come on, report the problem to the circulation staff immediately. If the card was incorrectly programmed, we should be able to fix the problem. If the magnetic strip is defective, you will need to go to the ID office to receive a new card.

We emphasize the importance of keeping all outside doors as well as the doors into the library locked at all times after hours in order to maintain a secure facility. Since non-law patrons may remain in the library when the circulation desk closes, if you find a door ajar, please secure the door. We need everyone's help to maintain a secure facility for law students who wish to study in the library late at night. Thank you for helping us maintain a safe and secure study facility for everyone so that we may continue the 24/7 ID access policy.

PASS/FAIL OPTION

Third-year students who elect to take a law class pass/fail are reminded that the Pass/Fail Option Form (on the handout shelves in the Library) is due by **September 6** to Liz Jackson.

VIRGINIA BAR UPDATE

The Application for the Virginia Bar Examination and the Applicant's Character and Fitness Questionnaire are available online through the Virginia Board of Bar Examiners web site at: <http://www.vbbe.state.va.us/forms.html> Students who expect to sit for the Virginia Bar Examination can file the Character and Fitness Questionnaire within the first 14 months of their law school career for a discounted rate. The Bar Application, itself, cannot be filed more than three months prior to sitting for the exam.

MULTISTATE PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY EXAM

Those planning to sit for the Virginia Bar are forewarned that the Virginia Board of Bar Examiners requires applicants to take the Multistate Professional Responsibility Examination (MPRE). The MPRE is a fifty question, two-hour, multiple-choice examination administered three times each year. A limited number of MPRE applications are by the handout shelves in the Library. You also can register online at: <http://www.ncbex.org/tests/mpre/mpre.htm> The next scheduled MPRE exam is **November 8, 2002.** Good luck!!!

DIRECT DEPOSIT



Students who receive loan checks or other financial disbursement from the University are encouraged to inquire within the University Office of Financial Aid (located in Blow Hall) regarding direct deposit of this disbursement to your bank account. Forms from Financial Aid must be completed NLT **October 15** to have spring disbursements credited automatically to your account. NOTE: forms must be completed YEARLY for direct deposit to ensure the accuracy of the electronic transfer.

ACADEMIC SUPPORT PROGRAM

Just a reminder that the Academic Support (ASP) weekly review sessions began this week and are off to a great start. Attendance has been high and the TAs have been working hard to come up with useful handouts and hypotheticals. We are also working on updating the ASP website, and once it's updated, will notify students of its new web location.

Remember that weekly review sessions are held in room 119 on the following days and at the following times:

Monday	Contracts	1:30 p.m.
Tuesday	Torts	8:00 p.m.
Wednesday	Property	1:30 p.m.
Thursday	Civil Procedure	6:00 p.m.

The professors whose sections are being covered the week of September 9th include Professors Alces, Coven, Rosenberg and Stein. Although most students choose to go to the sessions for their own professors, you are welcome to go to any of the sessions.

Extra copies of the TA handouts from review sessions will be placed in the Legal Skills File Room for anyone who wants them.

On Tuesday, October 1st, from 1:30-3:00 p.m., ASP will hold a Case Briefing and Outlining Workshop in room 119 for any interested students. Please contact Dean Roberts or Dean Rogers if you have any questions or suggestions concerning the weekly review sessions or upcoming workshops.

FROM OCPP!

World Wide Web Site of the Week - **LAW PERISCOPE** is an online law firm research tool. Its database includes information on the 300 largest U.S. law firms and produces its search results in the form of a succinct profile page with simple, direct links to the relevant section of a firm's web site. Each profile provides a quick and efficient road map for students to learn about a firm in general and then review a particular practice area, branch office or legal topic from a primary, current source – the firm's web site. www.lawperiscope.com

Job of the Week - The national law firm of Kirkpatrick & Lockhart will again sponsor three **PUBLIC INTEREST FELLOWSHIPS** for the summer of 2003, awarding \$4,000 for four weeks of work at designated public service organizations in Pittsburgh. The deadline for applications is October 18, 2002. For more information, see www.kl.com/PublicService/fellowship.stm.

Funds for Graduate Study - Lisa Grimes, Associate Director of the Charles Center on William & Mary's main campus, has sent information about **FULBRIGHT SCHOLARSHIPS** (for graduate study and research abroad) and **ANDREW MELLON FELLOWSHIPS** (for first-year doctoral studies in the humanities and social sciences). For more information, see the posters on the bulletin board in OCPP.

UPCOMING PROGRAMS AND DEADLINES FOR 2Ls AND 3Ls

Sunday, September 8 - Second On-Campus Bidding/Resume Submission Deadline

Monday, September 9 - Second Group Mailing Bidding/Resume Submission Deadline

Tuesday, September 10, 12:45 p.m. - Tips for Initial and Call-Back Interviews (room 141)

Tuesday -Thursday, September 10 -12, times TBA - Using Lexis in Your Job Search (Library Computer Training Center - sign up at Library Reference Desk)

Thursday, September 12, 2:30 p.m. - Summer Clerkship Panel for 2Ls (room 120)

Thursday, September 12 - On-Campus Interviews (OCIs) begin

Sunday, September 15 - Third On-Campus Bidding/Resume Submission Deadline

Monday, September 16 - Third Group Mailing Bidding/Resume Submission Deadline

Monday, Wednesday -Friday, September 16, 18 -20, times TBA - Using Westlaw in Your Job Search (Library Computer Training Center - sign up at Library Reference Desk)

Tuesday, September 17, 3:00 p.m. - Opportunities with the FBI (room 127)

Thursday, September 19 - New Hampshire Job Fair, Manchester

Friday-Saturday, September 20-21 - SELPC Job Fair, Atlanta

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Dauphin County Bar Association Minority Job Fair The Equal Professional Opportunity Committee of the Dauphin County Bar Association (DCBA) in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, conducts a Minority Job Fair each year in an effort to promote employment opportunities for 2Ls and 3Ls in law firms and government agencies in the Greater Capital City Area. The DCBA will pay travel expenses up to \$100 for participating students to come to Harrisburg for interviews, and will provide a supplementary stipend of \$1,000 for 2Ls accepting summer employment through the program. There are more than 30 employers participating in the program, who will pre-screen resumes and conduct in-office interviews in mid- to late October. **Interested 2Ls and 3Ls should place one resume and one cover letter (stapled together) in the DCBA Minority Job Fair slot in the Resume Submission Cabinet in OCPP no later than the close of business on Wednesday, September 11.** The DCBA will copy your letter and resume and distribute them to all participating employers. Address your cover letter to:

David E. Lehman, Esquire
Chair, Equal Professional Opportunity Committee
Dauphin County Bar Association
213 North Front Street
Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17101

2Ls and 3Ls - Information on the U.S. Department of Justice hiring programs is available in OCPP as well as online at www.usdoj.gov/oarm. Applications for the **SUMMER LAW INTERN PROGRAM** for 2Ls and the **ATTORNEY GENERAL'S HONORS PROGRAM** for 3Ls are available now online and – new this year – must be submitted online. The DOJ's Legal Careers Booklet (“*Do Your Legal Career Justice*”) is available for the taking from the shelf of the bookcase in OCPP with the government information. **You have until Monday, September 23, 2002 to submit your applications online**, but the Justice Department advises students not to wait until the last day to submit, in case anything should go wrong with their web site. If your application is not in by September 23, no matter whether the problem is yours or theirs, it will not be accepted.

3Ls - Equal Justice Works (formerly NAPIL) Equal Justice Fellowship applications are now being solicited. These two-year fellowships provide salary and loan repayment assistance to lawyers who advocate on behalf of individuals, groups, or interests that are not adequately represented by some aspect of the legal system. You may obtain additional information and an application on Equal Justice Works' website, www.napil.org. Deadline to apply is **September 17, 2002**.

Equal Justice Works Public Interest Job Fair - October 25-26, 2002 in Washington, DC - Law students seeking summer and permanent positions in public service will have the opportunity to conduct one-on-one interviews and participate in Table Talk with more than 200 employers at the job fair sponsored by Equal Justice Works (formerly the National Association for Public Interest Law, or NAPIL) held at the Omni Shoreham Hotel in Washington, DC. There will also be workshop sessions on public interest career development, loan repayment assistance, and law school organizing throughout each day.

William & Mary School of Law is a member of Equal Justice Works, so the job fair is open to all 2Ls and 3Ls at William & Mary. For complete information – and a list of participating employers – see <http://www.equaljusticeworks.org/careerfair/>.

All students registering for the job fair may participate in one-on-one interviews, Table Talk group interviews, and educational sessions. To participate, **YOU MUST REGISTER WITH OCPP**. To register, simply send an email with your name, graduation year, and email address to Dean Lewis at bdlewi@wm.edu.

IMPORTANT: To request one-on-one interviews, **YOU MUST SEND YOUR RESUME DIRECTLY TO EACH EMPLOYER**. Once employers identify the students in whom they are interested, they will contact the students directly to arrange interviews.

Interested in Labor and Employment Law? The Peggy Browning Fund is sponsoring their fourth annual Law Students' Workers' Rights Conference on Friday and Saturday, October 4-5 in Silver Spring, Maryland. The program will include four workshops led by leading labor practitioners and professors. See Dean Lewis if you are interested in attending in this program. For more info, see www.peggybrowningfund.org.

Public Interest Database The **TRIAL LAWYERS FOR PUBLIC JUSTICE FOUNDATION'S PUBLIC INTEREST ADVOCATES' DATABASE** includes information about employment opportunities with public interest organizations, with listings for more than 400 legal aid, legal services, and poverty law offices throughout the U.S. The database has searchable categories such as children/youth, civil liberties, civil rights, consumer protection, elder law, environmental protection, housing/homelessness, and workers' rights. It is accessible via www.tlpj.org.

ATTENTION 2003 AND 2004 GRADUATES

OCPP Manuals and the Fall On-Campus Interview Schedule - The fall on-campus interview schedule, the OCPP Career Planning Manual, and the Public Interest and Government Job Search Guide are available for you to pick up in OCPP. The Career Planning Manual includes information on interviewing, resume and cover letter preparation, career satisfaction, and OCPP programs, policies, and procedures.

Strategies for Success If You Do Not Receive an Offer from Your Summer Employer - If you find yourself in this situation, see Dean Kaplan or Dean Lewis, and pick up a copy of the handout on this subject from the OCPP Display Rack.

Targeting the Hidden Job Market - Most jobs are not advertised or publicized, but are filled by word-of-mouth. To tap into this “hidden” job market, you must network and use informational interviewing. These techniques are effective. Pick up the handout in OCPP, consult the binder of articles in OCPP, and see Deans Lewis or Kaplan to learn how to make these techniques effective for you.

NEW RESOURCES IN OCPP

Alternative Careers for Lawyers helps students explore the pros and cons of options in and out of the law, with suggestions for nontraditional careers and straight facts about their quality of life. The book gives tips and strategies for finding alternative careers and includes 10 profiles of people who made it and how they did it.

NALP's 2002 Federal Legal Employment Opportunities Guide includes employment listings for nearly 30 federal employers, an in-depth look at the federal government's departments and agencies, government salaries and benefits, tips on landing a government job, and more. Available in hard copy in OCPP or may be viewed and downloaded at www.nalp.org/jobseekers/fedempl.pdf.

2002-03 Government Honors and Internship Handbook includes information about federal agency hiring contacts and openings, methods of submission, deadlines and more. Available in hard copy in OCPP or may be viewed and downloaded at www.law.arizona.edu/career/honorshandbook.cfm. (Note: This site is password-protected for subscribing schools like William & Mary; contact Dean Lewis in OCPP for the user name and password.)

WRITING COMPETITIONS

A Word on 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 in 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 if you decide to participate. We have recently posted information regarding the following writing competitions:

Women and the Law - The University of Leicester (in England) will award the 2002 Victoria Fisher Memorial Prize (£250) for the winning essay of not more than 10,000 words relating to the topic of women and the law. **The deadline for submission is September 30, 2002.** For more information, see www.le.ac.uk/law/info/laugfish.html.

Getting to Know . . . (interview by Della Harris)

. . . Christie Warren is Deputy Director of the Courtroom 21 Project and Adjunct Professor at the Law School.



Christie and her family trekked through the Zanskar Region of the Himalayas in Ladakh in northern India, which is next to Pakistan. The first photo shows Christie and her family on one of the mountains where a herd of yak was passing through. They were on the trail for 23 days and covered about 250 miles on foot at altitudes of 13,000 to 18,000 feet (with no additional oxygen, I might add; no small feat!). Her family of four had a crew of six Buddhist guides from Nepal, two Tibetan

horsemen, and 13 Tibetan horses to carry the gear.

One snap shot shows one of the more than 100 river crossings they made; this one using buckets to pull them across the raging Zanskar River. Christie also shared photos of the following:

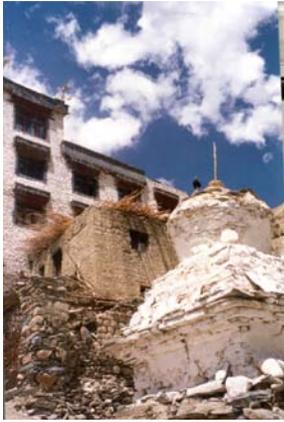


The Tibetan people who had to flee their country because of religious persecution;

The architecture included the villagers' homes and stupas, which are Buddhist shrines where they pray and must walk around counter clock wise as they pray;

Prayer flags in the communities which are topped with the tail of a yak; and Beautiful rock of the region.

The villages were nestled between mountains, near the rivers. Christie and her family were able to stock up on their food supplies in the villages and were always invited into the villager's homes. During one visit, the Warren Family celebrated with one community in the birth of a woman's first child. Imagine hat, a culture where women reign supreme! Sounds good to me!



Christie impressed me with the fact that she and her family had to be in top physical form to begin this trip and that they were able to complete this trip without a helicopter dropping in to pick them up is amazing, to me (I don't know about you). One more thing, there was one night when they camped out at more than 17,000 feet and woke up to snow on the ground. The temperature dropped to the 20s while they hiked in the mountains and they could always count on visits from wild horses and

yaks while they slept in their tents. Amazing!

Thank you Christie for sharing your family's glorious experience with us.



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