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North Wing Dedication Saturday, February 9

You are cordially invited to celebrate the
dedication of the
Law School's North Wing
at a ribbon cutting and reception on
Charter Day
Saturday, February 9
3:00 p.m.

RSVP by February 1
Rebecca Simmons, X13796 (or rasim2@wm.edu)

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Friday Information Sessions will be held January 25, February 8 and February 22 for prospective applicants/students. Please welcome our visitors and assist by sharing helpful information about William & Mary.

Study Abroad Information Session will be held on **Monday, January 28 in Room 119 at 10:30 a.m.** You can **TRAVEL ABROAD** to **Madrid, Spain** this summer!



Enjoy one of Europe's most exciting cities! **Study** International and European law subjects with outstanding Spanish professors. **And earn six credits!!** Come and listen to students who have "been there, done that."

Professor Levy will explain how you can **work** in the U.S. and **travel** abroad during the same summer. **Bagel bites** will be provided; bring your own coffee or soda. All interested students are invited and encouraged to attend!

On Thursday, January 31, **Professor Michael W. McConnell** will be visiting here to deliver the Cutler Lecture. Professor McConnell taught at the University of Chicago for 13 years prior to moving to the University of Utah in 1997. Last summer, he was nominated by President Bush to be a judge on the 10th Circuit. He is one of the nation's leading scholars of the religion clauses of the First Amendment and, at the Cutler Lecture, he will speak on "Establishment and Disestablishment at the Founding." The lecture is scheduled at 3:00 p.m. in room 127. Please plan to attend this important lecture.

OLIVER HILL SCHOLARSHIP

The Oliver Hill Scholarship will be awarded to a student who is committed to the objectives, goals, and principles of the Black Law Students Association (BLSA) at William & Mary Law School. The recipient must demonstrate a commitment to personal excellence, social justice and advancing and protecting civil rights of all citizens. Students in good standing at the Law School, who demonstrate financial need, exhibit leadership abilities in the Law School or the community and display a record of public or community service are eligible. Interested students must apply for the scholarship by submitting two copies of the following to the Dean's Office by **March 15**: resume, statement (no more than one double-spaced page) that describes how the student meets the criteria and an essay (no more than two double-spaced pages) on the topic "How Oliver Hill's achievements have had an impact on my life." Please be sure to submit all applicant materials by **March 15, 2002**.

RANKS

Ranks will be distributed by February 15th. A reminder that 1L students are not ranked until the end of their second semester of law school.

MPRE

Applications are available on the handout shelves in the library. There are a growing number of states that require this exam. A complete list is found in the application booklet. Please check it as well as contacting specific bars to determine if you need to take the exam.

BAR INFORMATION

Specific bar information for all states and Puerto Rico is on reserve in the library. Virginia (as do a number of other states) pro-rates the application fee. It is wise to check the requirements for any bar for which you might sit well in advance of making application. All students planning to sit for the Virginia Bar, should block **Tuesday, March 19, 3:00-4:00 p.m., room 127** on their calendars for a Virginia Bar information session regarding application and taking the exam. More information will be posted regarding this event sponsored by OCPP and the Administration.

STUDENT FINANCIAL AID



Attention all 1Ls and 2Ls: Information was placed in your hanging files on January 9, 2002 regarding financial aid for the 2002/03 academic year. If you did not receive this information, additional copies are available from Faye Shealy (Office #105). The FAFSA is required for educational loans and need-based financial aid. A representative from the William & Mary

Office of Student Financial Aid will be available to meet with law students regarding proper filing of the FAFSA, lender terms, loan application procedures, etc. Please contact the Financial Aid Office by calling 221-2426 if you wish to schedule an appointment.

Getting to Know . . .

Gloria Todd



There can't be anyone at the law school who doesn't know Gloria. After 16-½ years as the law school Receptionist, and more recently in her promotion to Office Manager, Gloria is the first person many people go to with their questions. Over the years she has been the first person, and first impression, to applicants, admitted students, new faculty, and outsiders, always making time for the person standing in front of her desk.

Gloria is married to Gene, whom she met while she was working in the Bahamas and he was stationed there. Gloria explains that Gene brought her back from the Bahamas instead of a seashell! Gene was eventually transferred to Virginia, and Gloria worked for a year on main campus before joining the law school staff. Gene is now retired from the U.S. Navy, and just completed his K-5 teaching certification at Christopher Newport University.

When Gloria is not at the law school, she loves to spend time with her sons, Gavin and Gregory. Gavin is a first-year student at Collins College in Tempe, Arizona pursuing a degree in animation, and Gregory, 13, is in the 7th Grade. Gloria is a huge wrestling fan, serving as Secretary of Gloucester Youth Wrestling and the Peninsula Wrestling Association (PWA). Her sons share her love of wrestling; Gavin was a four-year Varsity wrestler at Gloucester High, and Gregory has placed in the Elementary and Middle School Nationals.

Now we all have to go a little further down the administrative office hallway to find Gloria, to the suite outside the offices of Deans Butler and Jackson. Students are Gloria's favorite part of the law school, and she dearly misses all the student contact she used to get at the reception desk (so make sure to go and see her new space, complete with pictures of her family and Atlanta Braves memorabilia!).

Elmer Schaefer



Elmer is a long-time member of the faculty here, coming to Marshall-Wythe in 1973 shortly after the law school started to grow. He is married to Margo, a tenured member of the math department. Their daughter, Molly, also graduated from William and Mary. Elmer cites the friendly, supportive people and the great students here as his reasons for enjoying the law school.

Elmer grew up in the Chicago area, one of a family of five living in a Republican suburb. He tells of neighbors' discussing in hushed incredulous tones that the new subdivision going in had *Democrats* in it. However, his own family was "mixed" with one parent in each party. Elmer has a twin brother and a sister who is 3 ½ years younger than he. Elmer's identical twin and he were never told which one was the older when growing up because their parents didn't want to foster dissention. By the time they found out in high school that Elmer was the older sibling, it was not an issue.

Elmer will retire at the end of this year after 29 years of teaching such courses as corporate finance and antitrust, and he will be greatly missed. He looks forward to doing more running, admitting that he is a "fair weather runner" now. He intends to read and travel as well. Plenty of time will also be spent with his new granddaughter, the first grandchild, who is eleven days old on this publication day. Margaret, called Mia, reminds Elmer of his own daughter, and he beams happily as he speaks of both. I suspect, if you ask, there may be a photo lurking around his office.

FROM OCPP

World Wide Web Site of the Week - As part of Secretary of State Colin Powell's aggressive three-year hiring strategy, the U.S. Department of State has launched a new Web site: www.careers.state.gov. According to their announcement, "Americans looking to serve their country and experience interesting careers with a global lifestyle can explore hundreds of current opportunities in the Foreign and Civil Service. Interactive questionnaires, videos and flash presentations help users see if they should consider being the face of America to the world."

HOT JOBS



OCPP continues to receive numerous listings *daily* for summer and permanent positions. Check the **OCI+ Job Bank** frequently for new listings!

Interested in Adoption Law? The Dave Thomas Center for Adoption Law at Capital University Law School is operating a Summer Jobs Clearinghouse to place law students in summer jobs in and around the field of adoption law. Information about these

positions is available by logging on to www.law.capital.edu/adoption and clicking on "Jobs Clearinghouse."

PSLawNet - William & Mary's 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.

NAPIL Fellowships - 3Ls interested in public service are advised that the National Association for Public Interest Law has begun posting available 2002 "Route B" Fellowships at www.napil.org and will post them on a rolling basis through January. These full salary fellowships, which begin in September 2002, and last two years, were each developed by a nonprofit organization whose fellowship proposal was approved by NAPIL. These organizations are now looking for talented, committed candidates to serve as their 2002 NAPIL Fellows. Application deadlines vary for each, but most are sooner rather than later. If you're interested, check the Web site ASAP.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Spring Job Fair - 2Ls and 3Ls should watch for e-mail from OCPP regarding the Spring Job Fair, to be held at the University of Richmond on **Thursday, February 28**. Participating employers will include small firms from Virginia, West Virginia, Maryland, and Washington, DC.

Law School Funding for Summer Jobs in Government and Public Interest - Application materials for the seven law school-funded summer stipends are available in the OCPP Applications Cabinet under "William & Mary Summer Public Interest/Government Fellowship" and "William & Mary Public Service Fund." The deadline for applying for funding is **5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, March 26**. Students also must file a **FAFSA by February 15**.

Lunch with Lawyers Series - OCPP will sponsor several **Lunch with Lawyers** programs this spring that give students the chance to learn about careers in different areas of the law. Each program features attorneys employed in a specific kind of practice. Space is limited for these bring-your-own brown bag lunches, and students will sign up on a first-come, first-served basis. An e-mail will be sent out announcing each program, and you may sign-up via return e-mail. The first program will be **Working on Capitol Hill** on **Wednesday, February 6**; the second will be **Labor Law** on **Monday, February 11**.

Volunteer Your Time for Democracy - The Democracy Foundation, chaired by former U.S. Senator Mike Gravel, is sponsoring **The Democracy Symposium** at the Lodge in Williamsburg on February 16-18, 2002. The symposium will assemble more than a dozen distinguished scholars for a discussion of issues associated with the proposed **National Initiative for Democracy**, which if adopted would be the first constitutional

amendment and federal statute ever to be enacted directly by the American people. (To learn more: www.democracysymposium.org) The organization seeks student volunteers to help with registration, greeting registrants at airports, and providing assistance to distinguished panelists. Substantial time commitments could include payment. If interested, e-mail Ms. Whitney Stewart at whitney@demofound.org.

Foreign Service Exam - Online registration has begun for the Foreign Service Written Exam, which will be administered on April 13 and September 21 this year. Registering for the exam is the first step in the process of becoming a Foreign Service Officer for the U.S. Department of State. For information on registration, the application process, and the official study guide, see www.careers.state.gov and click on "What's Hot." **The registration deadline for the April exam is March 11.**

NEW RESOURCES

The **2002 Legal Times Directory of Metro D.C. Law Offices** has listings for more than 1,250 firms and solo practitioners in the District of Columbia and the surrounding counties in Maryland and Virginia. The index also lists firms by practice area.

The **State Yellow Book** lists who's who in the executive and legislative branches of the 50 state governments and the U.S. territories, as well as intergovernmental organizations.

The **Financial Yellow Book** lists who's who at the leading public and private financial institutions in the United States.

The 2002 edition of **What Color is Your Parachute? A Practical Manual for Job-Hunters and Career Changers** has tips on identifying your transferable skills, making contacts, interviewing, salary negotiation, and more. A perennial favorite.

PSLawNet has just published the **2002 Supplement to the Comprehensive Fellowship Guide – The Ultimate Resource for Law Students and Lawyers**. Third-years seeking public service employment will find detailed fellowship descriptions and information about application procedures, salaries, qualifications, and contacts.

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 OCPP, 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.

... **International Law** - The Inter-American Bar Association will award prizes to three law students from the Americas for presentation of the best papers at its international conference in Cochabamba, Bolivia in July 2002. The association will award \$800, \$600, and \$400 for first, second, and third prize, respectively for papers written on topics concerning corruption and democracy. **Entries are due no later than April 30, 2002.**

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