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CHECKED YOUR E-MAIL?



Remember that you are expected to check your e-mail at least once a day. The faculty and administration send important information via e-mail – information that may not be available through any other means. If you have forwarded your college e-mail account to your personal account, you are responsible for verifying that the forwarded address continues to be accurate.

E-MAIL ADDRESSES

ALL STUDENTS are provided e-mail addresses. Your address is typically the first initial of your first name, the first initial of your middle name, and the first four letters of your last name. All students should confirm their address at www.wm.edu/IT/labs/email.html. All students' e-mail default password is set as a lower case "p" followed by the last six digits of your SSN with no spaces or punctuation.

NEWSWORTHY NEWS

Following is information from Dean Taylor Reveley about the *John Marshall Papers*:

I'm delighted to report that the papers of John Marshall, the Law School's most august alumnus, will join us shortly, along with Charles (Chuck) F. Hobson, the Editor of the Marshall Papers, and Joan Lovelace, the Managing Editor. Chuck and Joan will be in rooms 223A and B.

William & Mary deals extensively in the papers of two former Chief Justices of the United States, John Marshall and Warren Burger. The Burger papers are now irreparably committed to Swem Library. It is seemly to have those of John Marshall in the Law School. In the fullness of time, we expect to have in our library (and perhaps on our website) a complete, easily searched body of all surviving Marshall papers. Most of these papers will be exact copies of the originals, along with some of the actuals. For research purposes, scholars will find it easier to work with copies than aging actuals.

Fully funded by external grants, Hobson's effort has finished volume 10 of an annotated edition of Marshall's correspondence and papers. The effort continues. Chuck himself is a Lecturer in the History Department, and he has taught previously at the Law School.



Over the summer, the Law School community said good-bye to **Tisha Zelner** of the Library. Tisha was offered a full-time position at the National Center, overseeing library operations and performing research. So, although she won't be a part of the Law School community, The Editor is sure we will still see her from time to time.

The Office of Development & Alumni Affairs welcomes the new Assistant Director for Annual Support, **Ben Chandler**. A graduate of the College of Charleston, Ben previously worked as a Program Manager for RuffaloCODY, overseeing the development phoning programs for the University of Texas-Austin and The Citadel. His wife, April, is a 1L. Ben will oversee the annual fund program and will work with the 3L Class on the class gift. He is located in NW 136D.

The Courtroom 21 Project welcomes **Mollie Nichols**, their new Associate Director for Research and Professional Education. Mollie earned her J.D. and LL.M. (International Law) from the University of Texas at Austin. Mollie joins the law school community from the Texas Attorney General's Office as Director of Litigation Trainings. In addition to her many responsibilities, she will supervise the CR21's planned nationwide litigator training programs and will also team teach Legal Skills, Technology-Augmented Trial Advocacy, and Legal Technology as an adjunct faculty member.

We will have five excellent Visiting Professors for the fall of 2003. **Mary Sue Backus**, a 2001 alum, will be teaching Evidence and Indigent Defense in America. **David Frisch**, a professor from the University of Richmond, will be teaching Secured Transactions. **Sally Malloy** from the University of Cincinnati will teach a Disability Law Seminar and Torts. **Steven Mulroy** from the University of Memphis will teach Employment Discrimination and the Federal Discrimination Law Seminar. **Elizabeth Thornburg**, from Southern Methodist University will teach Civil Procedure and Conflicts.

DID YOU KNOW?

FORE! As a send-off for its outgoing class of summer associates, the Northern Virginia office of **Pillsbury Winthrop** put a new spin on the traditional golf outing – namely, they didn't go out. Instead, a golf course was constructed entirely within the walls of the McLean office. The course, complete with hazards such as computer keyboards, file cabinets, and shredded paper, was described as "sadistic" in a firm press release. A remote control car, a Barbie doll, and a large pink castle also dotted the makeshift links. Managing partner William Atkins, who made the participants blow on a quacking duck bill at each missed shot, calls the game a "unique team-building experience." Everyone

"contributed to the game with excitement," he says. The winner, with a whopping 127: **Eric Herbst**, a student at William & Mary Marshall-Wythe School of Law.

[[[[MARK YOUR CALENDAR

- [Friday, August 22, 11:00 a.m., **Ice Cream Social** in the Law School Lobby
- [Saturday, August 23, 3:00 p.m., **SBA Welcome Event, Lake Matoaka Amphitheater**
- [Monday, August 25, **Classes and Add/Drop begin**
- [Friday, August 29, **Add/Drop Ends**

BLSA is sponsoring its annual Cook-Out in honor of the incoming 1L class and prospective members, as well as to welcome the return of the current members. Members will meet at Shelter #1 in Waller Mills Park, from 1:00-5:00 p.m. on **Friday, August 22**. Any 1Ls who may need a ride should contact Dominique, dacall@wm.edu.

The first general body meeting for BLSA will be held **September 15 at 7:00 p.m.**, room TBA.

WELCOME

Special greetings are extended from the admission staff to international students in the LL.M. program and new and returning JD students! We enjoyed working with you during the admission process and are delighted that you chose William & Mary Law School. A summary profile of our new students will be located on the administrative bulletin board. We share your pride in your past achievements and are confident that you will continue to distinguish yourselves in the 2003-2004 academic year.

ADDRESS UPDATES

All students should contact Chris Creech (cbcree@wm.edu) *immediately* upon changing addresses or phone numbers. Any student whose name has changed should also contact her as soon as possible for the appropriate paperwork to change the name on the official records. Correct information is needed by **September 5** for an accurate school directory. Any student who wishes their phone number and address to remain unpublished must submit that request through a specific form obtainable from Gloria Todd – **NOTE:** Administration **must** always have updated information even if it is not published. Change of Address forms are also available at the handout counter in the Library.

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.

STUDENT LOCKERS

For those 1Ls who do not know, the lockers in the Student Lounge can be used on a first come first serve basis. If you see a locker without a lock on it, and you need one, please put your lock on it!

DECEMBER GRADUATION

Students who expect to graduate in December 2001 should contact Liz Jackson NLT **September 5** to file a notice of candidacy form.

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.

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. You can register online at <http://www.ncbex.org/tests/mpre/mpre.htm> The next scheduled MPRE exam is **November 7, 2003**. Good luck!!!

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

FACULTY 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.***

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>

FROM THE OFFICE OF CAREER SERVICES – WELCOME BACK!

World Wide Web Site of the Week – The **Professional Development Center**, sponsored by FindLaw and the Center for Professional Development in the Law, is dedicated to helping people find satisfaction through the choice of a legal career

consistent with their personal values and professional goals.
<http://profdev.lp.findlaw.com/>

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Aviation Law If you are a law student who (1) is a licensed pilot; or (2) is interested in aviation; or (3) wants to learn more about aviation law, you are invited to consider a student membership in the **Lawyer-Pilots Bar Association**. LPBA members are pilots, lawyers, or both, from throughout the U.S. and abroad who practice or have an interest in aviation law. For more information, go online to: www.lpba.org. <mailto:tloranger@swlaw.edu>.

UPCOMING PROGRAMS AND DEADLINES FOR 2Ls AND 3Ls

- ▶ **Wednesday, August 27, 4:30 p.m. or Thursday, August 28, 4:30 p.m. (ATTEND ONE OR THE OTHER)** eAttorney Orientation/On-Campus Interview Information Meeting – a demonstration of the online program and a review of important OCS policies and procedures (room 120).
- ▶ **Sunday, August 31, close of business (COB)** First On-Campus Bidding/Resume Submission Deadline
- ▶ **Monday, September 1, COB** First Group Mailing Bidding/Resume Submission Deadline
- ▶ **Monday, September 1, COB Registration Deadline** for New Hampshire Legal Job Fair
- ▶ **Tuesday, September 2, 12:50 p.m.** Careers with the U.S. Department of Justice (room 119)
- ▶ **Tuesday, September 2, COB Registration Deadline** for Dauphin County (PA) Bar Association Minority Job Fair
- ▶ **Wednesday, September 3, 4:30 p.m.** Writing Effective Cover Letters (room 124)
- ▶ **Thursday, September 4, 4:30 p.m.** Interview Tips (room 124)
- ▶ **Friday, September 5, 12:30 p.m.** Exploring Public Service (room 119 and Law School Lobby)

ATTENTION 2004 AND 2005 GRADUATES

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

Students with Disabilities – OCS receives information from employers targeting students with disabilities. If you would like to receive these notices, please see Dean Kaplan or Dean Lewis in confidence.

2Ls and 3Ls - Information on the U.S. Department of Justice hiring programs is available in OCS 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 must be submitted online. The DOJ's Legal Careers Booklet ("*Do Your Legal Career Justice*") is available for the taking from the rotating rack in OCS near the shelf with the government information. **YOU HAVE THROUGH MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2003 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 15, no matter whether the problem is yours or theirs, it will not be accepted.

3Ls - Equal Justice Works 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.equaljusticeworks.org. Deadline to apply is **SEPTEMBER 16, 2003**.

New Hampshire Legal Job Fair – Sixteen New Hampshire and Maine legal employers are joining together to present this eighth annual recruiting event. The employers will be interviewing for summer and permanent positions depending on their hiring needs. The job fair will be held at the Event Center at CR Sparks in Bedford, NH on Thursday, September 18 from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. The interviews will be prescreened, that is, employers will offer interviews after reviewing resumes. Many of the employers will hold call-back interviews late in the day on Thursday and on Friday. To register for the Job Fair, *you must submit one resume for each employer with which you would like to interview and any other materials required by the employer to the appropriate slot in the OCS Resume Submission Cabinet and bid online through eAttorney starting Tuesday, August 26. THE DEADLINE IS CLOSING TIME ON MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 1, 2003.*

Equal Justice Works Public Interest Career Fair, October 23-24, 2003, 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. There will also be workshop sessions on public interest career development, loan repayment assistance, and law school organizing throughout each day. More information should be available soon; we will pass it along as soon as we hear.

Interested in Labor and Employment Law? – The Peggy Browning Fund is sponsoring their fifth annual **National Workers’ Rights Conference for Law Students** on Friday & Saturday, October 3-4 in Silver Spring, Maryland. The program will include four workshops led by leading labor practitioners and professors. **IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN ATTENDING IN THIS PROGRAM, SEE DEAN LEWIS BY SEPTEMBER 15.** For more info, see www.peggybrowningfund.org.

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 OCS 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 OCS, consult the binder of articles in OCS, and see Deans Lewis or Kaplan to learn how to make these techniques effective for you.

NEW RESOURCES

The ***Vault Guide to the Top Government and Nonprofit Legal Employers*** outlines the history and recent events shaping 50 top federal, local and nonprofit legal employers, as well as information about the hiring process, pay and perks, hours, culture and training and more.

Ask the Career Counselors: Answers for Lawyers on Their Lives and Life’s Work helps individuals explore legal careers and career paths and gives in-depth tips on job search strategy, resumes and cover letters, interviewing, and more.

An Insider’s Guide to Political Jobs in Washington will show you how to find and research available jobs, earn a political appointment, get involved in campaigns, and more. Chapters cover working for politicians, political parties, Congress, the White House, executive branch departments, think tanks, lobbying entities, interest groups, trade associations, labor groups, consultants, the media, etc.

The ***ABA Environmental Law Directory*** lists all the key attorneys who chair the American Bar Association’s environmental sections and committees, including administrative law, criminal justice, international law, litigation, science and technology, and much more.

The National Lawyers Guild is the oldest and largest public interest/human rights bar organization in the United States. The ***National Lawyers Guild 2003 Referral Directory*** lists members and law firms by specialization, by state, and more.

America’s Top-Rated Cities is a four-volume set, each book covering a specific region of the United States. These books will give you information on the cost of living, housing, health care, culture and recreation, climate – and more – for most major cities in the U.S. If you’re trying to convince employers that you’re serious about moving to

their city, *America's Top-Rated Cities* is a must-read, especially if you've never lived or worked there.

Careers in International Affairs is the leading guide to job hunting and career development in the field of international affairs. It includes chapters on jobs in government, international organizations, banking, business, lobbying, consulting, media, nonprofit organizations, and more.

The fourth edition of ***International Public Interest Law: A Guide to Opportunities in the United States and Abroad*** contains information on summer internships and permanent jobs, plus narratives by workers in the field as well as contact information for agencies and organizations.

The Washington Council of Lawyers' ***2003 Public Service Directory*** is a listing of pro bono and public service organizations in the Washington, DC, metropolitan area.

The ***2003 Comprehensive Guide to Bar Admission Requirements***, published by the National Conference of Bar Examiners and the American Bar Association Section of Legal Education and Admissions to the Bar, will tell you *everything* you need to know about becoming licensed to practice law in every state in the country.

Career Opportunities in Politics, Government, and Activism is a guide to more than 70 careers, with detailed position descriptions, salary information, skills required for each career, and more.

New editions in the ***Yellow Book*** series have been arriving all summer:

Associations Yellow Book – who's who at the leading U.S. trade and professional associations

Corporate Yellow Book – who's who in the leading U.S. companies

Congressional Yellow Book – who's who in Congress, including committees and key staff

Federal Yellow Book – who's who in federal departments and agencies

Federal Regional Yellow Book – who's who in the federal government's departments, agencies, diplomatic missions, military installations and service academies outside of Washington, DC

Financial Yellow Book – who's who at the leading U.S. financial institutions

Foreign Representatives in the U.S. Yellow Book – who's who in the U.S. offices of foreign corporation, foreign nations, the foreign press and intergovernmental organizations

Government Affairs Yellow Book – contact information for over 19,000 government affairs specialists employed by corporations, financial institutions,

associations, labor unions, interest groups, government affairs representatives, and federal, state, and city governments and authorities.

Judicial Yellow Book – contact information for over 3,300 federal and state judges in federal and state appellate courts, including staff and law clerks, and the law schools they attended.

Law Firms Yellow Book – who's who in the management of the leading U.S. law firms

Nonprofit Sector Yellow Book – who's who in the management of the leading foundations, universities, museums, and other nonprofit organizations

Municipal Yellow Book – who's who in the leading city and county governments and local authorities

State Yellow Book – who's who in the executive and legislative branches of the 50 state governments

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 OCS, 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.

{ } The **NRA Civil Rights Defense Fund** is sponsoring a writing contest, the subject of which is "The Right of the Individual to Keep and Bear Arms is a Federally Protected Right." Cash prizes will be awarded to First, Second, Third and Fourth place winners in the amounts of \$5,000, \$3,000, \$2,000 and \$1,000 respectively. ***Entries must be postmarked on or before May 31, 2004.***

{ } The **NRA Civil Rights Defense Fund** is awarding scholarships to current 3-Ls who submit articles of quality suitable for publication in a law review or journal on the constitutional right to keep and bear arms. The prizes are as follows: First Place: \$12,500 toward tuition; Second Place: \$5,000; Third Place: \$2,500. ***Articles must be received on or before June 1, 2004.***

What's On 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.

2003 publication schedule

August 22; September 5, 19; October 3, 17, 31; November 14, 28; December 12