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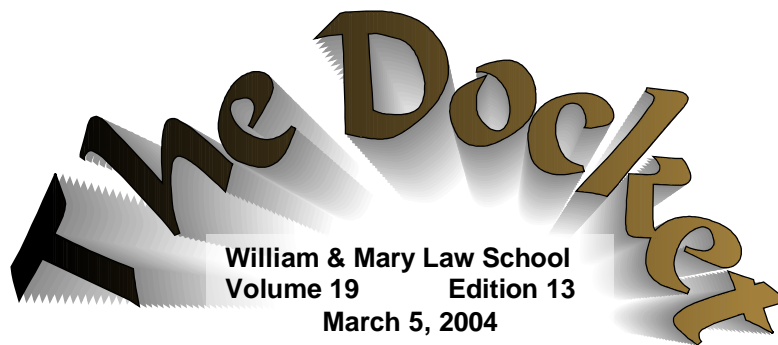
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## [[[[ NEWSWORTHY NOTES ]]]]

**CONGRATULATIONS** to the moot court team comprised of Chris Clements, Derek Degross and Rob Driessen. They narrowly missed a clean sweep of the George Mason Tournament – the team won best brief, Chris Clements won best oralist and the team was 1<sup>st</sup> runner-up after the panel decided 2-1 in favor of Illinois in the final round.

**CONGRATULATIONS** to Adrienne Griffin, Kate Goff, and Phil Chapman who advanced to the semifinals at the Catholic University Telecommunications Tournament. Adrienne Griffin also won Best Overall Oralist at the competition.

**CONGRATULATIONS** to Claire Maddox, Jen Maki, and Elsa Nethercott for advancing to the quarterfinals at the American University First Amendment Tournament.

**CONGRATULATIONS** to the newly elected SAB President, *Rob Maylor*.

**CONGRATULATIONS** to the **2004/05 PUBLIC SERVICE FUND BOARD**: Tarek Shuman, Stephen del Percio, Caroline Fleming, Sam Olive, Tanya Schuessler, Nichole Kossler, Andrea Phelps, Brendan Relyea, Geneva Perry, Stephanie Harris, Katie Ambrogi, Justin Laughter, Emily Tulli, Erin McCool, Michael Lockaby, Adrienne DiCerbo.

**CONGRATULATIONS** to the **2004/05 WILLIAM & MARY BILL OF RIGHTS JOURNAL BOARD**: Richard Hadorn, Sarah Greene, Lauren Schmidt, Davin Hall, Jennifer Maki, Alexander Minard, Kimberly Moore, Dominique Callins, Michael Murphy, Ryan Pedraza, Nathaniel Doan, Mark Ohrenberger, Tricia Voyer and Hilary Weckstein.

**CONGRATULATIONS** to the **2004/05 WILLIAM AND MARY ENVIRONMENTAL LAW AND POLICY REVIEW**: Shannon West, Steven del Percio, Ashley Edwards, Allison Hatchett, Jennifer Kane, Nate Evans, Joyce Fetterman, Mary Clare Kimber, Jennifer Lagerquist, and Aaron Kass.

**CONGRATULATIONS** to the **2004/05 ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION BOARD**: Scott Barbag, Dathan Young, Daniel Mumford, Elizabeth Bircher, Kim Finnigan, Lori Barstow, Jennifer Rinker, Robin Walker, and Laura Daniel.

*Oz Parvaiz*, husband of *Adela Parvaiz* (LLM '04) has published his first book, URDIN that is available at [www.iuniverse.com](http://www.iuniverse.com). Oz graduated from W&M in 1999.

## MARK YOUR CALENDAR

**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 12**: 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 12, 2004**.

The university's Contemporary and Cultural Issues Committee is hosting **JUSTICE ANTONIN SCALIA** on **Tuesday, March 16 at 7:30pm in William and Mary Hall**. The Justice will have a Q&A session; however, if you have a question, please send it to Meg Bisk at [mebisk@wm.edu](mailto:mebisk@wm.edu). If you would like to attend this event, please see William Lamberth for absolutely positively FREE tickets, even for faculty! However, there will be a \$5.00 charge for General Admission.

The **BLACK LAW STUDENT ASSOCIATION** will be sponsoring a **RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE** at the Law School on **Monday, March 15, 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.** Please sign up in the law school lobby before you go out to the truck. Your participation is greatly appreciated.



The **BLACK LAW STUDENT ASSOCIATION** is holding a clothing drive for families in the Williamsburg Community. They need all types of **clean clothing and toiletries for adults and children**.

All organizations, groups, classes, legal skills firms, or other interested individuals are encouraged to participate. Please bring your baskets or boxes filled with clothing to **the lobby by 1:00 p.m. on Thursday March 25th**. The organization with the most clothing and/or toiletries will be given a **pizza party** sponsored by the Black Law Student Association. There will also be a container in the student lounge between **March 19th-25th** for individuals who would like to donate but are not affiliated with a group or organization.

**OLIVER HILL SCHOLARSHIP BANQUET** (celebrating the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of *Brown v. Board of Education*) is holding its annual banquet on Sunday, **March 28, 3:00 p.m. at the University Center, Tidewater Room A**. The recipient of the Oliver Hill Scholarship will be announced at the banquet. Ticket prices are: \$21.00 for students, \$26.00 for non-students. Please contact Adrienne Mauney at 757/851-5849 or [armaun@wm.edu](mailto:armaun@wm.edu) for additional questions. Keynote speaker is The Honorable Nathaniel R. Jones.

Judge Jones began his prestigious legal career in 1956 as the executive director of the Fair Employment Practices Commission for the City of

Youngstown, Ohio. In 1960, Attorney General Robert F. Kennedy appointed him Assistant U.S. Attorney for the Northern District of Ohio. Judge Jones later became General Counsel for the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People in 1969. He was then appointed to the Sixth Circuit of the U.S. Court of Appeals. Currently he is a Senior Counsel for Blank Rome, LLP. Judge Jones is a great contributor to legal scholarship, publishing a myriad of articles on civil rights and the repercussions of the *Brown v. Board of Education* decision.

## NEED TO KNOW INFO

**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). Your information will be distributed to new admits on April 3. Thanks for your help!

**PHOTOS FOR PUBLICATION** - *We are seeking photos* of publishable quality to represent life at William & Mary Law School for upcoming publications. Please review your law school experiences captured on film and route those suitable for print to Jaime Welch-Donahue ([jpwelc@wm.edu](mailto:jpwelc@wm.edu)) or Faye Shealy ([ffshea@wm.edu](mailto:ffshea@wm.edu)) or drop by Faye's Office (Room 105). We are seeking diverse settings and smiling faces both at the Law School and activities in Williamsburg - don't forget Barrister's Ball! Thanks in advance for any contributions submitted for printing and distribution in response to this request.

**SPRING EXAM CONFLICT FORMS  
ARE NOW AVAILABLE AT THE  
HANDOUT COUNTER IN THE LIBRARY  
THEY ARE DUE FRIDAY, APRIL 2, 5:00 P.M.**

### **3L DAY (MARCH 16) EVENTS INCLUDE:**

- ▽ Ordering cap and gown, diploma frame, rings.
- ▽ Rain ticket distribution for diploma ceremony.
- ▽ Everything you wanted to know about the Virginia Bar Exam
- ▽ Class Gift Kickoff

**See e-mail from Dean Jackson  
and/or Cardozo Calendar for more information.**

**BAR EXAMS** - Those interested in taking the Virginia Bar Exam are invited to bring questions regarding the exam and/or admission process to: Everything You Wanted to Know About Character and Fitness and the Bar Exam ... But Were Afraid to Ask. @

Mark your calendars for this presentation/discussion with members of the Virginia Board of Bar Examiners at **12:30 p.m. on March 16, room 133**. This session is open to all students (1L and up) who have an interest in sitting for the Virginia Bar exam.

Virginia Bar applications are available via their web site <http://www.vbbe.state.va.us/forms.html>. The application is due **May 14th**. Those considering the Virginia bar are reminded that the MPRE is now required for admission to the Virginia bar. Virginia Certificates of Education and fingerprint cards are available from Chris Creech in reception. Fingerprinting for bar applications can be scheduled through Chris Creech for appointments with Campus Police. Fingerprinting can be processed at locations other than Campus Police.

**MPRE** - Applications are located on the handout shelves in the Library. Next exams are March 13, 2004, August 13, 2004, and November 12, 2004.

**TRANSCRIPTS** - For those who do require official transcripts ... forms for ordering an official transcript are available from Liz Jackson or at Blow Hall in the Office of the University Registrar or at the web site: <http://www.wm.edu/registrar/transcript/index.html>. There is a \$5.00 dollar charge for each transcript requested. Transcript requests are handled through the University Registrar and in the order received. A request may take up to 14 working days for receipt, so PLAN AHEAD!

Check your transcript carefully for errors – is a grade for a non-law class other than "P"? Do you have all the credits you should have for law review/journal or moot court? Do you still have an "I"? These are items that are more easily cared for sooner rather than later. See Liz Jackson if corrections need to be made!

**REGISTRATION** - Fall 2004 registration will occur March 29, 7:30 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. for all rising 3L students. Fall 2004 registration will occur March 30, 7:30 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. for all rising 2L students. Registration is web-based via Banner Web. Forms for independent work (independent writing or research; directed reading; and externship experiences) are due prior to being registered in these courses. Students interested in taking non-law courses should complete the appropriate paperwork before the end of the spring 2004 semester.

**EXAM CODE NUMBERS** - Spring 2004 exam code numbers were sent to each student via email. Please see Dean Jackson or Gloria Todd if you did not receive this email.

**CLASS RANKS** - Cumulative class ranks and rank GPA were sent to all 2L and 3L students via email. Please see Dean Jackson if you did not receive this email.

**POSTING OF LITERATURES** - A reminder that signs may be posted to the bulletin boards in the Student Lounge and the Administration Bulletin Board by the elevator (across from room 119). Signs, notices and fliers are not to be posted to doors, walls or windows. Signs advertising an event may be posted to the front doors on the day of the event only and only with the permission of the Administration.

## ENJOY CHILDREN? NEED EXTRA CASH? BABY SITTERS NEEDED FOR REUNION WEEKEND!



Law School Alumni who are attending Reunion Weekend April 16-17 are looking for local childcare. Sign up to be on the contact list - details (compensation, time and location) will need to be worked out directly between you and the family. Contact Liv Moir to sign up! [lamoir@wm.edu](mailto:lamoir@wm.edu) or 221-3796.

## FROM OFFICE OF CAREER SERVICES (OCS)

**World Wide Web Site of the Week - JDpost.com**, an "Internet Community for Law Students," was designed by recent law school graduates. According to their Web site, part of their mission is to "assist in helping students with the employment, housing, and legal education processes. JDpost also provides a confidential community forum through the use of message boards and online surveys for members to provide candid opinions about former employers, law schools, classes, and other subject matters at the core of the law student experience." Besides job listings, of particular interest to students right now might be their listing for summer sublets. [www.jdpost.com](http://www.jdpost.com)

## UPCOMING PROGRAMS

**Everything You Wanted to Know About Character and Fitness and the Bar Exam . . . But Were Afraid to Ask** - 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. **Tuesday, March 16 at 12:30 p.m. in room 133.**

## HOT JOBS

**Summer Research Positions with Faculty Members** - OCS has surveyed professors about their hiring plans for summer 2004. A chart summarizing their needs and hiring procedures was e-mailed to all 1Ls and 2Ls, and a copy is posted in OCS.

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

**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](http://www.PSLawNet.org) to register and start searching; there is also a handout in OCS with tips for searching the web site. The service is free to W & M students.



## FUNDING SOURCES

**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 OCS Applications Cabinet under "William & Mary Summer Public Interest/Government Fellowships." **The deadline for applying for funding is 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, March 25.**

**Communications Law** - For the eleventh consecutive year, the Federal Communications Bar Association Foundation will award at least four \$2,500 stipends to law students employed as unpaid summer interns at the FCC and other government agencies or entities with jurisdiction over the communications industry, (i.e., broadcasting, cable television, telephony, satellites and information technology). For more information and an application, see <http://www.fcba.org/FY04InternApp.doc> . **The application deadline is Friday, March 19, 2004.**

## NEW RESOURCES

**In-House Counsel** - If you're interested in exploring working as a corporate attorney, check out **Going In-House: A Guide for Law Students and Recent Graduates**. It includes information on the fundamentals of in-house practice, advantages and disadvantages, and how to get hired.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Foreign Service Exam** - Online registration has begun for the Foreign Service Written Exam, which will be administered on **April 24, 2004**. 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 <http://www.careers.state.gov> [www.careers.state.gov/officer/register.html](http://www.careers.state.gov/officer/register.html). **THE REGISTRATION DEADLINE FOR THE EXAM IS MARCH 24.**

**Public Service** - The University of Virginia will hold its fifth annual **Conference on Public Service and the Law** on **February 27-28, 2004**, in Charlottesville. The event will bring together a wide variety of public service practitioners who are working on a vast array of cutting-edge public service issues. The conference consists of many programs over the two days, including panels on aspects of the law relating to judicial appointments, the Patriot Act, children, labor, animals, and abortion and workshops on getting a job in the public sector, clerkships, public-private partnerships, and extra-legal careers. U.S. Supreme Court Justice Stephen Breyer will be the keynote speaker. There is no charge for students to attend. For more information, see <http://www.student.virginia.edu/~law-conf/2004/index.html> .

**International Law** - Approximately 1,000 people from around the world will attend the **American Society of International Law's Annual Meeting**, to be held in Washington, DC from **March 31 - April 3, 2004**. Students are invited to attend the more than 30 panels and lectures on such topics as human rights, trade, and the implications of the conflict in Iraq. The keynote address will be given by U.S. Supreme Court Justice Antonin Scalia; other speakers include Abdullahi An Na'im, Amy Chua, Gareth Evans

and Michael Moore. Student ASIL members may attend for free, while students who are not currently members will receive the added benefit of a one-year membership for their \$30 registration fee. For more information and to register online, visit [www.asil.org](http://www.asil.org), or call 202-939-6000.

**Leadership Workshops** - The National Italian American Foundation (NIAF) is instituting a new program called **Graduates to Leaders (G2L) - Law**. G2L will host Italian American law students for an all-expenses paid workshop providing in-depth lectures and discussions with Italian American leaders in the legal field. NIAF will pay for students' transportation, accommodations, meals, and events. The workshop will be held **May 23-26, 2004** in Washington, DC. Students must be first- or second-year law students at the time of application and be of Italian heritage. The application process includes background information, an essay, a resume, a transcript, and a recommendation from a professor or legal professional. **APPLICATIONS MUST BE POSTMARKED BY APRIL 1, 2004**. For more information and an application, see [www.niaf.org/G2L](http://www.niaf.org/G2L).

## SUMMER HOUSING

**Looking for summer housing outside Williamsburg?** Law students seeking summer housing in the cities where they'll be working are invited to participate in NALP's free online **National Apartment Exchange**. The site facilitates summer sublets of apartments currently being used by law students in cities across the country who will be in another city for the summer. Just visit [www.nalp.org](http://www.nalp.org) and follow the link to the Apartment Exchange. **The Apartment Exchange will be available from January 15 until May 1, 2004.**

**Other Summer Housing Options** - The NALP site listed above is free. Another site that appears to be free is [www.craigslist.org](http://www.craigslist.org). The web site [www.sublet.com](http://www.sublet.com) will, for a fee, give you 90 days of access to listings for sublets available around the country. Before paying the fee, you can see if they have any listings in your target city and what the fee is, which varies depending on the city or region you pick. JDPost lists summer sublets for and by law students. See [www.jdpost.com](http://www.jdpost.com). Another suggestion is to check colleges and universities in your target city, since they often have housing options available to students for the summer.

**Summer Housing in Washington, DC - Catholic University** offers several housing options in residence halls at the campus approximately three miles north of the Capitol. Some are in new apartment-style halls and others are single and double rooms. Phones and 24-hour security are included, and meal plans are available. <http://conferences.cua.edu>

**Summer Housing in Atlanta** - Emory University offers housing to students working in Atlanta for the summer. See [www.emory.edu/sihp/](http://www.emory.edu/sihp/).



## 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.

**Berkeley Women's Law Journal Writing Award** - The Berkeley Women's Law Journal seeks articles that address the lives and struggles of under-represented women. In particular, they seek submissions that examine the intersection of gender with one or more other axes of subordination including, but not limited to, race, class, sexual orientation, and disability. The winning article will be published in Spring 2005 and its author will receive \$250. **Articles must be received by November 1, 2004.**

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*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.

### **2004 publication schedule**

January 9, 23; February 6, 20; March 5, 19; April 2, 16

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