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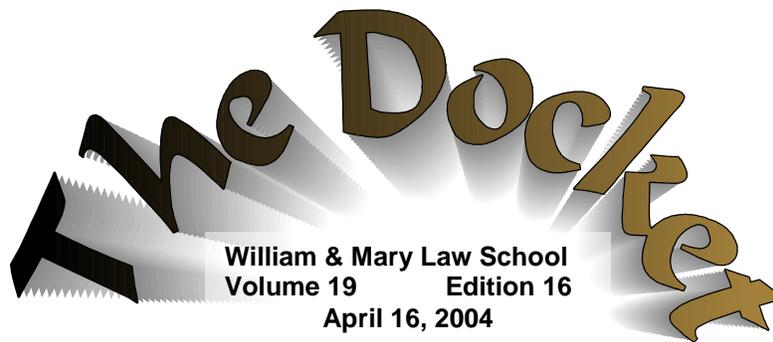
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[[[[NEWSWORTHY NOTES]]]]

EDITOR'S NOTE: Correction of the April 2nd edition of The Docket. Kelly Street wrote the memorial for Betsy John.

NOTE FROM THE EDITOR: On behalf of Dean Taylor Reveley and me, I would like to CONGRATULATE The Class of 2004! We have watched you grow and mature into impressive young men and women and are confident that we will hear great things about you in the future. You have our blessing and best wishes.

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CONGRATULATIONS to Adjunct Professor James Oleson, who taught Criminology and the Criminal Law in the fall and is currently co-teaching White Collar Crime. Professor Oleson was interviewed at the Supreme Court for the 2004-05 Supreme Court Fellows Program. He has been selected as the 2004-05 Fellow at the Administrative Office of the United States Courts. He'll be taking a year away from teaching to work on a number of topics.

TO THE LAW SCHOOL COMMUNITY for raising **\$1,900** during "March Madness at the Law Library." Professor Jim Moliterno made 20 shots and won the top prize, a gift certificate to the Corner Pocket. The Law School thanks LexisNexis for donating pizza and sodas for the event. The "March Madness" fund-raiser benefits the College's bone marrow drive, which is recognized as the **largest** campus drive in the nation. **A very special THANK-YOU goes to Janey Janson** for her work in bringing this drive to such a successful conclusion.

Kudos!

The **Admitted Student Weekend** was a huge success! Thanks go to **Erin Butler, Dana Bowling and Scott Herman**, SBA Admission Committee Co-chairs: and **Justin Hargrove** – who helped arrange lodging for visitors. Everyone's contribution resulted in a positive experience and warm welcome for our guests. **Leasa Woods, Cassie Ward and Bend Ladd** also served this committee throughout the year. Sincere appreciation to the many student volunteers who have assisted the recruitment and admissions program throughout the year.

WELCOME to **Ramona J. Sein** – She has returned to W&M Law School as Associate Director for Admission and Career Services. We are delighted that an alumna of the Law School with her experience will fill this new shared position created to support two critical areas of student services. One-half of her time will be devoted to the admission program and one-half to career services. Ramona has an undergraduate degree from Georgetown, a master's degree in urban and environmental planning from UVA and her JD from William & Mary. Since graduating from the Law School in 1997, she clerked for The Honorable J. Calvitt Clarke, U.S. District Judge for the Eastern District of Virginia, and was an associate at Walsh, Colucci, Lubeley, Emrich & Terpak in Arlington and then at McGuireWoods LLP in McLean and Richmond. She is a member of the Virginia State Bar. We are indeed pleased to have someone with her experience to represent the Law School and advise prospective students and enrolled students. Her office is located in room 263D in Career Services. Please join us in welcoming Ramona back to the Law School.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Friday, April 16: The ***William and Mary Journal of Women and the Law*** will present a symposium titled “Attrition of Women from the Legal Profession” in conjunction with the 10th anniversary of its publication. There is no registration fee and all are welcome. Please go to www.wm.edu/law/cnews/show_news.php for an agenda and list of speakers. To pre-register please contact Maya Crumbaugh at hmcrum@wm.edu or call 757/561-3298. Speakers include, for example, Nancer Ballard, Goodwin & Proctor; Ann Bartow, U. South Carolina Law School; Martha Chamallas, Moritz College of Law, OSU; Pamela Malone, NALP Foundation; Rebecca White, U. Georgia School of Law. Moderators include Mary Baroody Lowe JD '91, Powell, Goldstein, Frazer & Murphy; and Joan E. (Schwarzkopf) Mahoney JD '84, Assistant City Attorney, Norfolk.

Saturday, April 17. Nelson A. Blish JD '79 will sign copies of his book “Ishmael’s Son,” a terrorist thriller set in today’s tense Middle East-West confrontations, on the front lawn of the Law School beginning at 11:30 a.m. (the event is being held in conjunction with the Law School’s Alumni Weekend festivities). Sales of the book at this event will benefit the Law School’s Annual Fund. Compared to Tom Clancy by some readers, the novel is, according to one reviewer, “a chilling look at what can happen when the response to state-sponsored terrorism spins out of control. Frightfully plausible.” Blish, a graduate of the U.S. Naval Academy, served aboard the USS Alexander Hamilton before earning his law degree at William & Mary. He is currently patent counsel for Eastman Kodak Company.

THE FEDERAL CIRCUIT BAR ASSOCIATION – An award of \$10,000 in memory of Giles S. Rich, Circuit Judge, United States Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit, will be given by the Federal Circuit Bar Association to a law student showing financial need and demonstrated academic promise, either in undergraduate studies or in law school. Selection for the award will be based primarily on a written submission of no more than one page setting out the applicant’s financial need, any interests in particular areas of the law, and any qualifications for the award considered relevant by the applicant. The submission should also include all of the applicant’s college and law school transcripts,

and one-page curriculum vitae. **Deadline for submission is April 30, 2004.** The materials should be sent to:

Stephen L. Peterson, President
The Federal Circuit Bar Association
% Finnegan, Henderson, Farabow, Garrett & Dunner
1300 I Street NW, Suite 700
Washington, DC 20005-3315
www.fedcirbar.org

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. 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) or Faye Shealy (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.

BAR EXAMS - 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.

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!

THOSE TAKING A BAR EXAM THIS SUMMER - Chris Creech will make an appointment for you for fingerprinting. Chris has VA Bar Exam finger print cards. Those taking the VA Bar will need an Education Certificate. Chris has those as well and you can pick it up when you have your bar application notarized. Chris Creech and Gloria Todd are notaries. All certificates requiring Law School completion are to go to Dean Jackson. Please don't wait to the last minute to complete these school-related bar application tasks.

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.

THE WILKINS SCHOLARSHIP, offered by the Fairfax Law Foundation, an affiliate of the Fairfax Bar Association, is offering a \$1,000 award and is given to one or more recipients. The purpose of the scholarship is to encourage outstanding law students who are residents of Fairfax County to return to the community to share with them their abilities and skills in their future legal careers. The application deadline is **May 3, 2004**. Eligibility requirements and an application can be found at <http://www.fairfaxbar.org/foundation.asp> under the heading of Wilkins Scholarship.

ALUMNI DEVELOPMENT

Are you considering a career with a non-profit or would you enjoy seeing the Law School from an administrative vantage point? If so, the Office of Development and Alumni Affairs is seeking full-time student help for the summer to assist with fundraising, special events, and communications projects. Duties may involve, but are not limited to, conducting library and internet research; proofreading and fact checking; assisting with copywriting for appeals and promotional copy; assisting director and development officers with special projects; entering data into computer system and some clerical duties such as filing. Candidates should possess excellent organizational and research skills, willingness to learn and lend a hand. Sense of humor preferred. Excellent location: first floor, North Wing. Salary, \$7.50/hr. **FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT SALLY KELLAM, ASSOCIATE DEAN (1-2637) OR KATHY POND, DEVELOPMENT AND COMMUNICATIONS ASSISTANT (1-3795).**

LIBRARY NEWS

Restricted Library Access - From **Friday, April 23, at 5:00 p.m., until Friday, May 7, at 5:00 p.m., LAW LIBRARY ACCESS IS LIMITED** to Marshall-Wythe law students and others who require the use of Law Library materials for research purposes. Please remember that patrons needing legal reference assistance or those using legal materials **are permitted** access.

Graduation Sunday Library Hours - The Library will be open from 10:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. on Graduation Sunday, May 16.

Memorial Day Library Hours - Abbreviated circulation desk hours will be observed on Memorial Day, Monday, May 31, based upon the availability of staff. Hours will be posted on the library bulletin board in mid-May.

Building Access - On holidays and during interims, when the library is closed, law students with properly programmed ID cards may access the building and library. Be sure to check your ID in the magnetic locks on the building and library front doors to ensure your card is properly programmed for access. Simply swipe your card through the magnetic reader. If the green light displays, your card is properly programmed. Please report problems to the circulation staff. We may be able to fix the problem and save you a trip to the Campus Center to have your card reprogrammed by the ID Office.

Library Lockers - The deadline for locker clean-out and key return is **Friday, May 7, by 5:00 p.m.** Lockers must be emptied and the locker key returned (with barcode and key tag attached) to the circulation desk. There is a \$10.00 replacement charge for lost keys or tags.

If you plan to attend summer school, work as a research assistant, or study for the bar examination you may renew your locker. Students who need a locker for the summer may obtain a key at the circulation desk. Lockers will be available for the summer session as keys are returned from the spring semester. All locker keys must be returned at the end of the summer session.

Carrel Renewals - The deadline for carrel renewal is **Friday, May 7, by 5:00 p.m.** During the week prior to graduation, library staff will be re-shelving carrel materials, so be sure to renew your carrel and materials if you plan to use the carrel this summer.

Interlibrary Loan Returns and Renewals - Please return interlibrary loan materials before you leave for the summer. The loan period for interlibrary loan material is generally one month. Some libraries will extend the loan period for an additional month, but you must request a renewal **before the due date**. If the library will not extend the loan, we must return the book. If you need the material even though the book must be returned, photocopy the pages cited **and the title page**, or complete an interlibrary loan form and request that we borrow it from another library.

GOOD LUCK WITH EXAMS AND HAVE A HAPPY AND SAFE SUMMER!

FROM OFFICE OF CAREER SERVICES (OCS)

OCS wishes you success! We'll be thinking of you as you go off into the "real world" for the summer – or for good. Whether you're graduating in May or returning next fall, we will be here throughout the summer to answer any questions you might have. Feel free to contact us via phone (757-221-3805), e-mail (lawocs@wm.edu), fax (757-221-1611), or regular mail (P.O. Box 8795, Williamsburg, VA 23187-8795). **CURRENT 1LS AND 2LS SHOULD MAKE SURE YOU HAVE PROVIDED CHRIS CREECH WITH A SUMMER ADDRESS SO THAT YOU WILL RECEIVE OUR MAILING IN LATE JUNE.** It will include critical information about fall job fairs (for which you must register this summer), fall OCIs, and more.

Please turn in your employment surveys! There was one placed in every student's hanging file, but if you've misplaced yours, we've got extras. In addition to us being able to help you if you're still looking for a job, the information provided by those who are employed helps us in marketing the law school to employers over the summer as we work to entice them to interview on campus, participate in job fairs, or list future positions with us for our students and graduates. We appreciate your help.

HOT JOBS

Another Public Interest Position for 3Ls - Equal Justice Works has just listed a two-year paid fellowship, beginning in September, with the Asian Pacific American Legal Resource Center in Washington, DC. The Equal Justice Works Fellow will provide legal assistance to Korean victims of domestic violence in northern Virginia. **Applications are due May 3.** See www.equaljusticeworks.org/routeblistings.php.

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 **OCI+ 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 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.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Public Interest Fellowship (3Ls) - The **Frederick B. Abramson Public Interest Fellowship Award** provides up to \$10,000 for a current 3L who secures a job in a non-profit organization in Washington, DC and agrees to work for at least 12 months beginning September 2004. The Fellowship can be used for repayment of student loans, as a salary supplement, to offset bar exam expenses, or for any other purpose. See the Job Bank or www.abramsonfoundation.org for details. The application deadline is August 2, 2004.

Voting Rights - Just Democracy, a non-partisan voting rights project for law students, is designed to address some of the misapplications of election law that plagued the 2000 elections. Estimates suggest that between 2.5 and 4 million voters were wrongly excluded from the last presidential election because of problems and mistakes at polling places. Many of these problems could be prevented from reoccurring if trained volunteers are present to protect voters' rights and to help respond to violations. The idea of Just Democracy is to staff high-risk polling places all over the country on

Election Day 2004 with law student volunteers to help voters protect their rights and ensure that people who turn out to vote aren't wrongly turned away. Just Democracy's goal is to recruit students to start chapters at as many law schools as possible. For more information, see www.justdemocracy.org .

Washington, DC-area Sublet Available - Jessica Arons, a W&M alum, has an apartment to sublet: 2BR/1BA in S. Arlington. Partially furnished sublet 6/1/04-11/1/04. HW floors, D/W, French doors, sunny, free off street parking, close to bus lines and Metro. \$1145/month, water & gas included. Contact jessicaarons@yahoo.com or 703/861-8914.

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 that will be in another city for the summer. Just visit 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. The web site 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. 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 New York City - The New York Student Housing Center, www.studenthousing.org, offers housing that is "high quality, safe, affordable, and wonderfully designed for student living." Facilities and summer rates are listed at www.studenthousing.org/interns.htm .

Summer Housing in Washington, DC - 1) **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> 2) The Law Center at **Georgetown University** offers housing from June 1 through August 9. Apartments are fully furnished, air-conditioned, and within walking distance to the Capitol, courts, and more. See the info in OCS, check online at www.law.georgetown.edu/reslife , or call 202-662-9290.

Summer Housing in Atlanta - Emory University offers housing to students working in Atlanta for the summer. See www.emory.edu/sihp/ .

NEW RESOURCES

International Law - The American Society of International Law has updated its book, **Careers in International Law: A Guide to Career Paths and Internships in**

International Law, which explores some of the different avenues that can be taken by students wishing to pursue a career in the field of international law. Part II of the *Guide* contains background and contact information on organizations that offer internships related to many different aspects of international law.

The **Corporate Yellow Book** has contact information for over 40,000 executives at over 1,000 companies and 4,000 subsidiaries and divisions, and more than 9,000 board members and their outside affiliations.

The **Federal Yellow Book** includes contact information for over 4,000 government officials in the Executive Office of the President, 14 Cabinet-level departments, and more than 80 independent federal agencies.

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 outside OCS. 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 competition:

Women and the Law - The University of Leicester (in England) will award the 2004 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, 2004.** For more information, see www.le.ac.uk/law/info/laugfish.html.

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.

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