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## **NEED TO KNOW**



**TO THE LAW SCHOOL COMMUNITY**: The Dean would like to thank everyone who supported this year's PSF Auction. The Auction had a tremendous year, raising more than \$30,000 – which was a nice increase over last year. A tremendous number of people contributed to the success of the Auction – students, staff, faculty, and alumni. All of the money raised will be given back

to law students by PSF through public interest summer stipends and support for the Law School's Loan Repayment Forgiveness Program. PSF is one of the law school's great institutions. It provides rich and meaningful support each year for public service and public interest work, and helps the law school fulfill its commitment to training citizen lawyers.

Those students who worked on the Auction this year include: Jessica Strock, Pat Slebonick, Nicole Sonia, Shanna Reulbach, Claire de Jong, Neil Gibson, Jessica Glajch, Jessica McGough, Renee Colvin, Brian Daly, Megan Mitchell, Deena Mueller, Brian Rothenberg, Lily Saffer, Mike Arena, Beau Blumberg, Beth Budnick, Kaylin Gaal, Liz Herron, Andy Howard, and Sarah Lambert. Many thanks to everyone who helped by organizing the event, offering auction items, and purchasing the various items so generously made available. Great job!

**CONGRATULATIONS** to the following student appointments:

## Honor Council - Chief Justice - W. Jordan Evans

**3L Associate Justices** (Class of 2013): Laura Doore, Eliza Epps, Oriana Farley, Candace Headen, Alison Rabe, and Sarah Seufer

**2L Associate Justices** (Class of 2014): Carolyn Cody, Jessica Hou, Daniel Nisenson, Alexander Snyder-Mackler, Andrew Steinberg, and Laura Wynn

Appointed Positions: Student Assembly Senators - Serge Agbre, Katie Baranek, and Kevin Barrett

Finance Chairperson: Raj Patel

Graduate Council Representatives: Bryan Charles Moore and Alexzandria Poole

ABA Representative: Nicole Ozeran

**SBA Webmaster:** Dennis DeMarco

SBA Community Service Chair: Megan Cowles

SBA Chief of Staff: Vlada Soshkina

*The SBA Board:* **Executive Council:** Lee Tankle, President; Sean Radomski, Vice President; Alden Hinds, Treasurer; Kevin Elliker, Secretary

3L Representatives: Lauren Coleman and Brittany Lee-Richardson

2L Representatives: Eric Charity and Sarah Melchior

#### 1L Representatives: Scott Hardy and Erica Penn

**SHARE YOUR EVENTS INFO WITH W&M CALENDARS** – You can now share your event info via the Law School's events calendar, located on our home page, and other calendars across the college. Steps include: Go to <a href="https://wmevents.wm.edu/loginlocal/index">https://wmevents.wm.edu/loginlocal/index</a> and enter your school login information and click "Create an Event." Enter the appropriate information, and then select the calendars that you would like the event to appear on (particularly the Law School calendar). Click "recommend" and the event will be entered into the calendar(s) once approved. Questions? Contact <a href="mailto:samark@email.wm.edu">samark@email.wm.edu</a> Thanks!

**PUBLICIZE YOUR EVENTS** – If you are hosting a lecture, speaker, symposium or other event to which the public is welcome, you may wish to incorporate the following publicity ideas. 1) Enter your event info into W&M calendars (see directions above), 2) Once you have done #1, send your info to the Office of Law School Communications (<u>jpwelc@wm.edu</u>) and request that your info be shared with University Relations (for newspaper calendars), the wmdigest (W&M employee listserv), and the Law School's Facebook and Twitter accounts. 3) Make sure to share your info via SBA Announcements. 4) The Office of Law School Communications can also send you a list of other publicity suggestions (contact <u>samark@email.wm.edu</u> or <u>jpwelc@wm.edu</u> to request it).

## SOME IMPORTANT INFORMATION REGARDING BAR APPLICATIONS

**OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPTS** - Some state bars require official transcripts as part of the application process. The Law School **DOES NOT** provide official transcripts. The University Registrar's office provides these upon submission of a written request and a payment of \$7.00 per copy. Please follow this link to request an official transcript:

http://www.wm.edu/offices/registrar/documents/transcript/Official Transcript Request.pdf

**TAKING THE CALIFORNIA BAR?** Please order your transcript before graduation to ensure it arrives in a timely fashion to the CA bar.

**FINGERPRINTS** - Many state bar applications require submission of the applicant's fingerprints. Beginning immediately, Kay Hibbard, in the reception area, will be setting up appointments for students wishing to have their fingerprints done by Campus Police. Appointments are available between the hours of 7:00-8:00 a.m. and 4:00-5:00 p.m. **ONLY**, Monday through Friday. All appointments are scheduled for the following week. There is no charge for this. For those taking the Virginia Bar, a Virginia Bar Application fingerprint card can be obtained from Kay Hibbard, Gloria Todd or Chris Creech. Of course, you can also go to any police station to have this done. Wherever you go, be sure to take two photo ids (driver's license and/or passport, student id, military id) with you for this appointment.

**NOTARIZING THE APPLICATION** - Most bar applications require you sign before a notary. Kay Hibbard, Gloria Todd and Chris Creech are notaries and will be glad to help you with this. **DO NOT SIGN ANY DOCUMENT TO BE NOTARIZED** until you are in front of a notary. Have all your documents/forms in order before you come in for notarization. This will greatly speed up the process! **FOR THOSE TAKING THE VIRGINIA BAR EXAM**: Please remember to pick up the **EDUCATION CERTIFICATE** from Kay, Gloria or Chris Creech. A good time to pick this up is when you come in to have your application notarized. This form **must** accompany your Virginia Bar Application.

The **VIRGINIA CERTIFICATE OF GRADUATION** will be sent by Dean Jackson on May 14. And most important, the deadline for the Virginia bar application is May 10.

**PHI DELTA PHI** - Phi Delta Phi is seeking committed members to continue the legacy. Phi Delta Phi members include President Taylor Reveley and many of your favorite professors. Send an email to <u>tguo@email.wm.edu</u> for more information. Create your own executive board for next year!

**STATE OF ELECTIONS LAW BLOG** - State of Elections is looking for contributors willing to write on state-level election law news and issues. This is your chance to get published and produce a writing sample that really shows off your personal style! Set your own deadline and pick the state election law topic of your choice. Please contact John Loughney (jtloughney@email.wm.edu) to coordinate.

**SUPPORT A CLASS ON LGBT LEGAL ISSUES** - You can sign the petition to support a class on LGBT Legal Issues at the following site:

https://docs.google.com/a/email.wm.edu/spreadsheet/viewform?pli=1&formkey=dDMtS1JpdE 5vbTNwTzExd0ZxbUhPcnc6MQ#gid=0

## MARK YOUR CALENDAR

**ELS FILM: GASLAND** - Monday after Spring Break! Want to learn more about this thing called "fracking" that everyone's talking about, but too exhausted to read ONE. MORE. THING?! We understand. In anticipation of the hydraulic fracturing lecture held on the following day, the Environmental Law Society is showing Sundance winner and Academy Award nominated documentary, "GasLand." See what happens when the filmmaker leases his own land for natural gas drilling and uncovers a world of corruption and controversy. Join us on Monday, March 12, in room 141, at 7:00 p.m. for desserts and good company while we watch this remarkable film!

**ENVIRONMENTAL LAW SOCIETY FRACKING LECTURE** - Please join the Environmental Law Society for an exciting lecture and conversation about the legal implications of the highly controversial practice of hydraulic fracturing (fracking). We are pleased to host Chris Nidel, founder of Nidel Law, PLLC, a Washington DC toxic tort law firm that represents those injured by environmental contamination. Mr. Nidel received a JD from UVA and a masters degree in chemical engineering from MIT. Bring your questions to Room 119 on March 13 at 1:00 p.m. The greater community is welcome to attend.

**BALL PROFESSOR OF LAW AND CABELL RESEARCH PROFESSOR OF LAW ALAN MEESE WILL PRESENT THE 2012 ST. GEORGE TUCKER LECTURE** titled "Competition Policy and the Great Depression: Lessons Learned and a New Way Forward" on March 13 at 3:30 p.m. in room 124.

Free and all are welcome. Professor Meese is the author or co-author of more than thirty scholarly articles and essays appearing in *The Green Bag, Antitrust Bulletin, Antitrust Law Journal, Harvard Journal of Law and Public Policy, Law and Contemporary Problems,* the *William and Mary Bill of Rights Journal,* and the *University of Pennsylvania, Creighton, Fordham, Michigan, George Mason, Illinois, Boston University, Cornell, Southern California, UCLA, North Carolina, Minnesota, NYU, Chicago,* and *William and Mary* law reviews. He is a frequent lecturer on antitrust issues and served as a Senior Advisor to the Antitrust Modernization Commission from 2004-2007. Professor Meese received the Walter L. Williams Jr. Teaching Award in 2000 and received a Plumeri Fellowship for Faculty Excellence in 2010.

**FACULTY PIE EATING CONTEST!** Come see your favorite faculty step up to the plate to save lives! On March 14, at 1:00 p.m. in Room 124, the Bone Marrow Drive will hold its first-ever FACULTY PIE EATING CONTEST to raise money to supplement the costs of adding donors to the national bone marrow donor registry. You can buy tickets and buy your favorite faculty members additional time in which to eat their pie. Tickets to the event are \$5.00 and will be For sold in the lobby and at the door. details, please visit: http://www.facebook.com/events/164124557038961/.

**BONE MARROW DRIVE DAY** - Please visit the Law School Lobby on March 14 to join the national bone marrow donor registry! It takes only 10 minutes of your time and has the potential to save a life. All you have to do is fill out a form and swab your cheeks. For many patients suffering from leukemia, lymphoma, and other diseases, finding a donor match through this registry is their only hope for survival. If you've already joined the registry, thank you, and you can still swing by to pick up some pizza or Ben and Jerry's. All money raised will help supplement the costs of adding new donors to the registry.

**ELS SPEAKER SERIES - MARC ELIAS: DATE CHANGE** - Partner at Perkins Coie, renowned election law attorney, and W&M Law adjunct professor Marc Elias will talk on "The Rise of SuperPACS." Elias serves as general counsel to the Dem. Senatorial Campaign Committee and represents numerous U.S. Senators and Representatives and their campaigns. He also served as lead counsel to Senator Al Franken during the recount in Minnesota after the 08 elections. Come hear from one of the leaders in the field how candidates are navigating the post-Citizens United campaign finance world. March 15, 12:50 in room 141. FREE CHIPOTLE! RSVP to rtprovencher@email.wm.edu.

#### SAVE THE DATES! MAY 29 TO JUNE 29, 2012, IS LEGAL TECHNOLOGY SUMMER SCHOOL!

Seeking cutting edge legal technology skills to separate yourself from the crowd of applicants? Looking for a way to lighten your second- or third-year course load? Searching for a backup plan in case your summer job falls through? If you answer "YES" to any of these questions, consider the 2012 Legal Technology Summer School, May 29 to June 29, 2012.

Attend classes **four days a week for five weeks and earn six credits** at a fraction of a regular semester's tuition. Best of all, you'll finish in time to also accept that split summer internship, or to attend W&M's Summer Law Program in Spain.

Course options this year include:

- Electronic Discovery and Data Seizures (3 credits)
- Evidence (3 credits)
- Internet Law (3 credits)
- Privacy in a Technological Age (3 credits)
- Law Office Management (2 credits, meets three days per week)

For more information, the Center for Legal and Court Technology is holding an Information Session for the Legal Technology Summer School on Thursday, March 15 at 1:00 in room 133. Students and faculty from previous summer sessions will be on hand to share their experiences and answer your questions. Bring your lunch – we'll have soft drinks and dessert to round out your meal.

If you have any questions or need an application for 2012 Legal Technology Summer School in the meantime, visit our website <u>http://www.legaltechcenter.net</u> and click on Legal Technology Summer School, stop by the Center for Legal and Court Technology in Rm. 211C, or contact Summer School Coordinator Mary Beth Dalton at 757-221-2494 or <u>medalt@wm.edu</u>.

ALI'S 5K RUN/WALK - Runners, walkers, and folks looking to start your St. Patty's Day in a fun and meaningful way, please join us for the 8th Annual Ali's 5K Run/Walk on March 17! This run in is memory of Dean Kaplan's daughter, Ali, who passed away at the age of 12 in 1999 because of aplastic anemia, a rare bone marrow disease. All money raised from the event supplements the cost of adding donors to the national registry. Early registration costs \$15, while registration race day is \$20. Register in the law lobby this week and the week after spring break. Contact <u>bjmarmet@email.wm.edu</u> for details!

**BARRISTER'S BALL TICKETS ON SALE!** Themed as a masquerade ball, this year's Barrister's is sure to be a night you won't want to miss. Barrister's Ball will be Saturday, March 17, at 8:00 p.m. in the Empire Ballroom of the Williamsburg Hospitality House. Tickets will be available the week of March 12: Non-drinking tickets: \$25; Drinking tickets: \$40. NO TICKETS WILL BE SOLD AFTER March 16. For more information, refer to the SBA website (www.wmsba.com), the email sent on February 19, or e-mail the SBA Board at studentbar@email.wm.edu.

**GEORGE WYTHE LECTURE BY PROFESSOR CHRISTINE JOLLS (Yale Law School)** will present the2012 Wythe Lecture titled "Privacy and Consent Over Time: GPS Monitoring, Hard Drive Imaging, and Other Government Surveillance" on Tuesday, March 21, 3:30 p.m., Room 119. Free and all are welcome. Christine Jolls is the Gordon Bradford Tweedy Professor at Yale, a chair previously held by Nobel Laureate Oliver Williamson. She is also the Director of the Law and Economics Program at the National Bureau of Economic Research (NBER). Professor Jolls received her J.D., magna cum laude, from Harvard Law School and her Ph.D. in Economics from M.I.T., where she was a National Science Foundation Graduate Fellow.

**INTERNATIONAL LAW COURSE FOR GRADUATING STUDENTS** - Graduating students only may apply to attend a course titled: Assessing Patterns of Transnational Organized Crime, the International Criminal Responsibility of Non-State Actors, and the Effectiveness of the

International Enforcement System. The course will be held May 20-30. Application deadline is March 25. ISISC will select 60 participants. For more information: <u>www.isisc.org</u>.

**THE ELECTION LAW SOCIETY AND THE ELECTION LAW PROGRAM** are pleased to announce their annual symposium on "Money in Judicial Elections." The Election Law Society and the Election Law Program at William & Mary Law School announce the Fifth Annual Election Law Symposium to take place on Thursday, March 29. Featuring prominent state supreme court judges, political consultants, and scholars, the symposium centers upon the topic, "Money in Judicial Elections," and evaluates the changing dynamics of state judicial elections in the post-Citizens United landscape. The event, which is free and open to the public, begins at 3:15 p.m. and will be held in Room 124.

EXAM CONFLICTS FORMS ARE NOW READY - Deadline is Friday, March 30 by 5:00 p.m.

**CHIEF JUSTICE CYNTHIA D. KINSER** - The Greater Peninsula Women's Bar Association will be hosting the Chief Justice of Virginia's Supreme Court, the Honorable Cynthia D. Kinser, at its meeting on April 4. Dinner will be served, and the Chief Justice will deliver the keynote address. Tickets are \$50, but financial assistance is available for W&M law students. If interested, please contact Ms. Polly Chong, Esq. at <a href="mailto:ctapt@aol.com">ctappt@aol.com</a>.

## ADMISSIONS

**FINANCIAL AID FOR THE 2012-2013 ACADEMIC YEAR FOR CURRENT 1LS AND 2LS** - Information regarding financial aid for the 2012-2013 academic year was sent to all 1Ls and 2Ls via email from Associate Dean Faye Shealy on January 8. If you did not receive this important information, please contact Dean Shealy. The FAFSA located at <u>www.fafsa.gov</u> is required for all need-based funds and educational loans and that important form should be completed and submitted by March 15. William & Mary's Title IV Federal School Code is 003705. IMPORTANT NOTE: Most Law School aid in the form of fellowships and scholarships is awarded and packaged based on residency status for each student. Aid initially awarded to out-of-state students reclassified as in-state students must go through the re-award process. Students are responsible for notifying Dean Shealy if they apply for and obtain in-state status. LGPA and class rank will be considered for any new merit-awards if funds become available.

**HOUSING OPPORTUNITIES** - The Admission Office would appreciate hearing from students/staff/faculty who know of housing opportunities that will be available for the coming academic year. If you are moving from a desirable location or looking for a roommate(s) next year please email a description (cost, utilities, distance from the Law School, pets allowed/not allowed, etc.) and contact information. The contact information should include email and/or phone number. Email the information to Helen at <a href="mailto:lawadm@wm.edu">lawadm@wm.edu</a>. This information will be added to the Housing Bulletin and shared with incoming students seeking housing.

**FINANCIAL AID INFORMATION/PLANNING MEETINGS FOR ALL STUDENTS** - Individual appointments are available for questions on financial aid, FAFSA preparation, lender terms, bar loans, loan repayment and tax-related matters. Appointments may be scheduled with Jennifer Meier, Assistant Director for Student Loans and Graduate Aid, for individual meetings at the

Law School on the following Wednesday afternoons: March 14 and 28, and April 11 and 25. Please stop by the Admission Office to reserve an appointment time. You may schedule an appointment to meet with Ms. Meier on other dates in Blow Memorial Hall by emailing your request directly to <u>immeie@wm.edu</u>. Questions regarding scholarships and fellowships awarded by the Law School should be addressed to Dean Shealy.

#### FINANCIAL AID / SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

**Norfolk and Portsmouth Bar Association Foundation, 2012 Fitzwater Memorial Scholarship:** \$1,000.00 will be awarded to a deserving second year law student who demonstrates a strong interest in practicing law in the public service/public interest sector in the south Hampton Roads area of Virginia. Applications are due March 30, 2012. For a copy of the scholarship application, please email <u>emcavallari@wm.edu</u>.

**NPBA Foundation, Elizabeth Barrett Fitzwater Memorial Scholarship:** A \$1,000 scholarship is available to second year law students who intend to practice law in the public service/public interest sector in South Hampton Roads. The first scholarship will be in the amount of \$1,000.00. The deadline is March 30.

http://www.norfolkandportsmouthbar.org/ScholarshipLaw.html.

Vietnamese American Bar Association Scholarship: VABA-DC scholarship will sponsor up to two \$1,000 scholarships for law students who have demonstrated a commitment to serving the Vietnamese American communities. Scholarship recipients are selected on the basis of community service, academic performance, essay, and to a more limited extent, their connections to the Vietnamese American community on the East Coast. The scholarship recipient(s) will be expected to attend a VABA-DC Scholarship Dinner in their honor to be held on April 12. The application deadline is March 9. For a copy of the application, please contact emcavallari@wm.edu.

American Intellectual Property Law Education Foundation - Sidney B. Williams, Jr. Scholarships: The \$10,000 Law Scholarship will be awarded to minority students developing a career in intellectual property law or holding a past or present, full or part-time position in an area related to intellectual property law. Applicants must also have a demonstrated financial need and outstanding academic performance in the undergraduate level and law school level (if applicable). Scholarship recipients are required to join and maintain membership in AIPLA. The deadline is March 15. <u>http://www.aiplef.org/scholarships/sidney\_b\_williams/apply.html</u>

*Virginia Federation of Republican Women Political Scholarship*: The VFRW awards three annual \$1,000 scholarships to young women who are undergraduate or graduate students enrolled in an accredited Virginia college or university studying government, political science or law. The application deadline is March 22.

https://www.vfrw.org/programs/scholarshipsandawards.html.

*Fredrikson & Bryon Foundation Minority Scholarship*: The Fredrikson & Byron Foundation Minority Scholarship Program sponsors educational opportunities for currently enrolled, first-year law students of diverse backgrounds, to enhance the understanding and awareness of

minority law students regarding opportunities for the private practice of law in the Upper Midwest. The scholarship includes one award of \$10,000 plus an invitation to become a summer associate the summer following 2L year. The deadline is March 31. http://www.fredlaw.com/firm/scholarship.htm.

**National Federation of the Blind Scholarship Program:** Applicants must be legally blind (PDF document) in both eyes; residing in the United States, the District of Columbia, or Puerto Rico; must be pursuing or planning to pursue a full-time, postsecondary course of study; and must participate in the entire NFB national convention and in all scheduled scholarship program activities. In addition to a scholarship, each winner will receive assistance to attend the 2011 National Federation of the Blind Annual Convention in July, providing an excellent opportunity for high-level networking with active blind persons in many different professions and occupations. Awards range from \$3,000 to \$12,000, and the deadline is March 31. http://www.nfb.org/scholarships/.

**San Mateo County, CA Women Lawyers Section Educational Foundation:** Scholarships are available to all students, both male and female, and are based on financial need, academic excellence, residential or other ties to San Mateo County, and involvement in activities, whether legal, scholastic, public, private or community. Applicants for the scholarship should submit a letter stating their qualifications for the award and the information about why they should be chosen. Please include in the letter, or as a separate attachment, the following information: All law school scholarships received and in what amounts, specify how the law school education is being financed, and include a copy of the current law school transcript. The awards range from \$1,000- \$4,000, and the deadline is March 31. Applications should be sent to San Mateo County Women Lawyers Education Foundation, P.O. Box 90, San Carlos, California 94070.

*Howard Fox Memorial Law Scholarship Award*: A \$3,000 scholarship is to help fund a deserving Berks County, Pennsylvania, resident embarking on his or her second year at an accredited Law School. The deadline is April 1. www.bccf.org.

**Stephen K. Hall ACWA Water Law & Policy Scholarship**: This scholarship is presented annually to a qualified graduate student majoring in law, policy or public administration with a focus or concentration in California water resources. Eligible students must be attending a graduate or law school in the U.S., carrying at least 8 units per term and planning to attend school for the complete year in which the scholarship is awarded. The deadline is April 1, and the scholarship award is \$7,000.

http://www.acwa.com/sites/default/files/page/2010/02/water law application 2012-13.pdf 🖄

**The VALS** ... **the association for legal professionals** is awarding one \$1,500 scholarship to an individual who will be furthering their career with an interest/major in the legal field. The scholarship is limited to Virginia residents, and the deadline is April 2. For more information and to apply for the scholarship, go to <u>www.v-a-l-s.org/education.htm</u>.

**DRI 2012 Law Student Diversity Scholarship:** Two \$10,000 scholarships will be awarded to incoming 2L and 3L students who add the cause of diversity (includes but not limited to gender, race, and ethnicity). Scholarship criteria includes demonstrated academic excellence, service to the profession, service to the community, and service to the cause of diversity. The deadline is April 27.

http://www.dri.org/contentdirectory/public/awards\_scholarships/DRI\_2012\_Diversity\_Scholar ship\_Application.pdf

*McGuireWoods' Diversity Scholarship Program* will award up to eight \$5,000 scholarships to diverse current first-year law students with an expected graduation year of 2014, who are committed to contributing to and supporting diversity within the legal profession. At McGuireWoods, diversity is defined as recognizing and valuing the differences in our workforce. To us, diversity encompasses age, sex, gender identity, race, ethnicity, national origin, disability, religion, sexual orientation, marital status and veteran status, as well as educational and professional backgrounds. Applications are due May 15.

http://recruiting.mcguirewoods.com/docs/recruiting-diversity-program.pdf.

American Association for Justice (AAJ) Women for Justice Education Fund's Mike Eidson Scholarship: The Scholarship awards \$5,000 annually to a female student entering their third year of law school (the student can be enrolled in a three-year day program or four-year night program) who has demonstrated a commitment to a career as a trial lawyer, along with dedication to upholding and defending the principles of the Constitution, and to the concept of a fair trial, the adversary system, and a just result for the injured, the accused, and those whose rights are jeopardized. The deadline is May 31.

http://www.justice.org/cps/rde/xchg/justice/hs.xsl/8514.htm.

**Perkins Cole 1L Diversity Fellowship**: The individual must be a first-year law student in good standing pursuing the degree of Juris Doctor at an ABA-accredited law school. The individual must possess an academic record, interest and capacity that demonstrate great promise for a successful career during the remainder of law school and in the legal profession. The individual must contribute meaningfully to the diversity of the law school student body and, upon entering the legal profession, the legal community. The award is a \$7,500 academic scholarship and a paid summer associate position immediately following the completion of their first year. http://www.perkinscoie.com/careers/summer/?op=ilprogram

*Ms. JD Summer Scholarship*: Ms. JD is awarding \$500 scholarships to female law students entering their second or third year at an accredited U.S. law school and working the summer of 2012 at least 35 hours per week for a minimum of 6 weeks at a government agency or nonprofit organization. Unpaid judicial externs also qualify. The deadline is July 9. <u>http://ms-jd.org/scholarship</u>.

**Reed Smith Diverse Scholars Program** provides an award in the amount of \$15,000 and a summer associate position to two first-year law students who have demonstrated excellent academic scholarship and a commitment to diversity, inclusion and community. The \$15,000 will be awarded for the recipient's second year of law school and will be paid in addition to the summer associate salary. Applicants must meet the following criteria: excellent academic

scholarship, demonstrated commitment to diversity, inclusion and community, agree to join the 2013 Reed Smith Summer Program and are authorized to work in the United States. Applications must be postmarked by August 6.

http://www.reedsmith.com/Diverse Scholars Program/

## **OFFICE OF DEVELOPMENT AND ALUMNI AFFAIRS**

**CALLING ALL CITIZEN LAWYERS!** The **W&M Law Alumni Phonathon Team** will be contacting alumni between March 12-29, to strengthen the School for current students and faculty. Would you like to connect with William & Mary Law alumni and make some extra cash (for you, or your Law School organization), all while helping the Law School? If so, help us, to help you!

We'll be calling our alumni (from the NW Faculty Room, in the late afternoons) raising monies for the Law School Annual Fund. It will be a 10 hour time commitment, spread over a three week span and we'll provide all of the necessary training. Plus, it's a fun way to connect with our esteemed alumni! To request an application, please email <u>Elizabeth Wright</u>, or stop by the Alumni & Development Office (in the North Wing) to complete a hard copy version.

## CLASS OF 2012 DINNER INVITATION

**SAVE-THE-DATE FOR THE ALUMNI WEEKEND DINNER** on April 14 at 6:30 p.m., at the Kingsmill Resort. Come & meet Law School Alumni from the classes of '67, '72, '77, '82, '87, '92, '97, '02, '07, and the most recent graduating Class of 2011. We will have music and wonderful food/drink. At that time, the Class of 2012's Gift total will be presented to Dean Douglas. It's your chance to be featured in the Law School's Annual Report! Please mark your calendars for this fun event and the opportunity to be with other Marshall-Wythe Alums, as you will be one soon! We look forward to seeing you - please let me know if you have any questions. You must RSVP, if you will be attending to ktpond@wm.edu.

**FACULTY AND ADMINISTRATORS**: You are cordially invited to attend ALUMNI WEEKEND 2012 on April 13-14. The weekend features celebration dinners for the Classes of 1967, 1972, 1977, 1982, 1987, 1992, 1997, 2002, 2007, and also invited are the most recent graduates from the Class of 2011. Additionally, we will invite the graduating Class of 2012 for their 3L Class Dinner. You are welcome to come to any event at no charge. We would be delighted if you would be our guests at the picnic on Saturday, as well as the class dinners at Kingsmill Resort that evening - just let me know so that we'll be sure to have a name tag for you. Also, the Dean will need to know that you're there so that you can be introduced at the opening reception.

**BROCHURES AND REGISTRATION FORMS ARE ON THE MAIL ROOM TABLE**. If you'd like to come, please complete a registration form and return it to the Office of Development and Alumni Affairs. You can also fill out a registration form by going to <u>law.wm.edu/alumni/reunion/</u>. Thank you and we hope you can join us.

**STUDENTS: ALUMNI WEEKEND 2012** will take place at the Law School on Friday, April 13 and Saturday, April 14. In past years, we've had nearly 500 participants and we wanted to alert you that there will be lots of hustle and bustle (and noise) in and around campus. We will have our Foundation Board and Alumni Association Board meetings here on that Friday, which will be followed by a Dean's Reception that will take place in the front hall from 5:00-7:00 p.m. Also, there will be tours of the law library on that Friday at 4:00 p.m. On Saturday, beginning at 9:30 a.m., we will have the PSF Silent Auction, as well as registration for Alumni Weekend in the front hall, and tours of the law library beginning at 1:00 p.m. From 11:30 a.m. until 1:30 p.m. on Saturday, April 14, there will be a picnic on the front lawn, which will include music that may be heard in the library.

We wanted to let you know so that if you've planned to study at the law school on that day, you may encounter some distraction. We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause and if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to let me hear from you. From all of us in the Alumni and Development Office, we wish you the very best on exams.

## **OFFICE OF CAREER SERVICES**

"The Ultimate Bar Review: Insider's Guide to the Bar Exam." Monday, March 26, 1:00-1:45 p.m., Room 124. Anita Poston, a member of the Virginia Board of Bar Examiners, will cover:

- How you can best prepare for the bar exam
- Kinds of questions likely to be on the exam
- What bar examiners assess in grading the exam

Ms. Poston's comments will be applicable to all jurisdictions, not only to Virginia. Because she is a member of the Virginia Board of Bar Examiners, she also will offer observations specific to the Virginia exam.

If you plan to attend either of these programs, please RSVP through OCS Symplicity Events.

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