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Monday, October 1, 2012

Dear Colleagues,

I hope you'll be able to attend our first Influential Voices presentation of the academic year on Thursday, Oct. 4. We'll hear from Professors Frank Rudy Cooper and Ann McGinley on Masculinities and the Law. I'm also looking forward to our Red Mass Celebration on Tuesday, Oct. 9, and hope you will all plan to participate with this important event.

Best regards,
Mark

Publications

Jan Ainsworth's article, *The Performance of Gender as Reflected in American Evidence Rules: Language, Power, and the Legal Construction of Liability*, was just published in *Gender and Language*.

Richard Delgado's chapter, co-authored with **Jean Stefancic**, titled *Discerning Critical Moments*, was scheduled for publication in *The Routledge Handbook of Critical Race Theory in Education*, edited by Marvin Lynn and Adrienne Dixson.

Jack Kirkwood's essay, *The Robinson-Patman Act and Consumer Welfare: Has Volvo Reconciled Them?*, was just published by e-Competitions in a special issue devoted to recent U.S. Supreme Court decisions.

Presentations

Marilyn Berger presented as part of the 9/11 anniversary observance, on September 12, the documentary, *Out of the Ashes: 9/11*, at St. John's Law School located in Jamaica, NY. After the film, the audience composed of faculty and students at the Hon. Hugh L. Carey Center for Dispute Resolution Institute at the Law School participated in a lively discussion about the film and storytelling in dispute resolution.

Upcoming Events

[Influential Voices](#)

Thursday, October 4

4:30 p.m.

Room C-5

Reception follows on 2nd Floor Gallery of Sullivan Hall

[Red Mass](#)

Tuesday, October 9

5:30 p.m.

Chapel of St. Ignatius

Reception honoring Justice Steven Gonzalez follows on 2nd Floor Gallery of Sullivan Hall

Visit the School of Law website for more [upcoming events](#).

Maggie Chon was a keynote speaker at a conference on **Innovation, Development, Creativity and Access to Knowledge in Pacific Island Countries**, hosted by the State, Society and Governance in Melanesia Program and the Regulatory Institutions Network at Australian National University College of Asia and The Pacific.

Diane Lourdes Dick presented her article, *Deconstructing Corporate Financial Distress*, at the Canadian Law and Economics Association annual meeting at the University of Toronto on September 28-29.

The faculty who teach legal writing offered an all-day CLE, *Moving Your Legal Writing Forward 2.0*, to over 50 members of the bench and bar. **Laurel Oates** presented *Editing for Conciseness*; **Kirsten Schimpff** presented *Effective Email: Ethics and Etiquette*; **Anne Enquist** presented *Multitasking: A Lawyer's Friend or Foe?*; **Deirdre Bowen** presented *Constructing Effective Arguments*; **Denis Stearns** presented *Discovering Brevity (in Discovery)*; and **Connie Krontz** presented *Persuasive Writing Using Principle-Based Analogous Case Descriptions*.

Russell Powell presented his paper, *Evolving Views of Islamic Law in Turkey*, at the conference, **Emerging Voices in Islamic Jurisprudence**, hosted by the Journal of Law and Religion in Minneapolis on September 28.

Other News

Jan Ainsworth has been named Research Professor in the Institute of Legal Translation at China University of Political Science and Law, ranked the second best law school in China by the Chinese government. She is the first American to be awarded the designation of Research Professor at CUPL.

Tom Antkowiak was interviewed on September 13 by KIRO-TV about the Jason Puracal case. Mr. Puracal, a Tacoma native, had been wrongfully convicted in Nicaragua and was recently freed from prison. Tom spoke about the various human rights violations in the case, as well as his clinic's involvement.

Patrick Brown has accepted the editor's invitation to become co-editor of *The Journal of Macrodynamical Analysis*, which is "an interdisciplinary journal devoted to the scholarly exploration of the method of functional specialization and its implementation in any field."

Robert Chang was elected to the American Law Institute. He also submitted an amicus brief on behalf of the Korematsu Center to the Washington Supreme Court in *State v. Sigifredo Garcia-Bueno*, a case involving incorrect advice given by defendant's counsel regarding the immigration consequences of defendant's guilty plea. This case will be heard by the court on October 23.

Richard Delgado 's article, *The Imperial Scholar: Reflections on a Review of Civil Rights Literature*, made a recent SSRN top-download list with 165 downloads.

The Access to Justice Institute would like to thank and acknowledge the many faculty and staff who have participated in recent trainings to help students develop their legal skills and leadership capacity. **Stacey Lara**, **John McKay**, and **John Strait** helped prepare students for pro bono work during September 13's *Pro Bono Boot Camp*. **Judy Andrews**, **Stacey Lara**, and **Ada Shen-Jaffe** offered their nonprofit career and leadership wisdom alongside community leaders and MBA and MPA faculty at *Leadership for Social Good* on September 28. **Jill Dutton** helped prepare students for working with community members navigating the naturalization process on September 13 and 20.

Please send items to be included in the next Dean's Spotlight to [Randy Maedgen](#).

