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Dear Colleagues,

Welcome back to the new academic year! I appreciated the opportunity to meet with career faculty yesterday and look forward to the all-staff meeting on Sept. 4th. I want to congratulate Dean Deming and her staff on another successful 1L orientation, and to thank the faculty and staff who joined our students at the Welcome-Back Barbecue yesterday. As you see students walking around in suits in the coming weeks, remember to wish them good luck on their OCI interviews. We have 25 employers on-campus conducting interviews this week, and so far, we're hearing very positive assessments of our 2Ls.

Have a great day,

Annette

Presentations

David Skover delivered two presentations at the First Amendment Lawyers' Association Summer 2014 conference in Toronto, Canada. As luncheon keynoters on July 11, he and his coauthor Ronald Collins spoke on themes running through the body of their First Amendment scholarship. The following day, he and Collins discussed "The Ivory Tower vs. Trench Warfare: The First Amendment as Understood by the Academy and as Applied by Practitioners."

Other News

Upcoming Events

Eastside Sidebar

Thursday, September 11 5:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m., El Gaucho in Bellevue

6th Annual Domestic Violence Symposium

September 11-12 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m., Campion Ballroom

Influential Voices: John McKay

Tuesday, September 16 4:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m., C-5, Sullivan Hall

<u>Promoting Diversity in Law School</u> Leadership

September 19-20 8:45 a.m. – 5:00 p.m., Room 109, Sullivan Hall

Visit the School of Law website for more <u>upcoming events</u>.

Bob Boruchowitz and his Right to Counsel Clinic students won a misdemeanor appeal in Kittitas Superior Court. The entire class worked on the brief, which raised 14 issues for review. Jeremy Goodman and Michael Schueler did the oral argument of the appeal from a conviction for violation of a no contact order. The prosecutor agreed that there was a defective charging document but wanted to reverse for a dismissal without prejudice so that they could try the client again. The superior court judge accepted the Clinic's argument that by declaring on the eve of trial that the prosecution would call the defense attorney as a prosecution witness, the City severed the client's relationship with his lawyer. The court found that this was arbitrary action or governmental misconduct which caused prejudice to the accused and materially affected his right to a fair trial. The court reversed for a dismissal with prejudice.

Lily Kahng has been elected Vice Chair of the WA State Citizens Commission for the Performance Measurement of Tax Preferences. The Commission oversees the periodic review of all state tax preferences to assess their revenue impact, determine whether they fulfill their intended policy objectives, and recommend to the legislature whether such preferences should be retained, modified or repealed.

Jack Kirkwood was interviewed by two Bloomberg News reporters, one asking about Amazon's dispute with Hachette, the other about Amazon's dispute with Disney. He was quoted several times in the Hachette story.

Catherine O'Neill's recent blog post was also picked up by the <u>Bellingham Herald</u>.

Kara Phillips will serve as the Secretary of the Chinese American Forum on Legal Information and Law Libraries: <u>http://cafllnet.org</u>. CAFLL promotes the accessibility of legal information and fosters the education of legal information professionals in the United States and China.

Diana Singleton was asked to participate in the invitation-only Law Schools, Technology and Access to Justice working conference at the University of Missouri-Kansas City School of Law in July. In addition, Diana's co-authored article, "Low Bono: Serving Those with Real Needs but Limited Means," was published in the most recent WSBA's NW Lawyer magazine. You can read the article on the <u>WSBA</u> website.

Continuing Legal Education will offer 14 seminars during the Fall Term, including Spanish for Lawyers, a year-long weekly course that takes attorneys who are conversant in Spanish to the next level in explaining legal terms, phrases and concepts to Spanish speaking clients, taught for the 3rd year by Des Moines Municipal Court Judge Veronica Alicea-Galvan. Judge Elizabeth Berns '93, King County Superior Court will again head the judicial training portion of the 6th Annual Domestic Violence Symposium. This annual conference brings over 450 judges, commissioners, prosecutors, community based DV advocates, and police officers from around the state to campus, to spend 2 days hearing and interacting with local and national experts on DV research & practices.

Please send items to be included in the next Dean's Spotlight to <u>Katie Carcamo</u> in the Dean's Office.

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