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## Events & Announcements October 26 – October 30

## **Virtual Drop In Hours**

#### **Virtual Office Hours with Dean Clark**

Monday, October 26th, 12p-1p - Contact Info Redacted

Tuesday, October 27th, 5p-6p - Contact Info Redacted

#### Student Life Office Drop In Hours with Colin Watrin

Wednesday, from 2:00 - 3:00 - Contact Info Redacted

# Drop in Hours with Roderick Morrison, Senior Associate Director of Diversity, Equity, & Admission

Wednesday 11:00-12:30 and Thursday 4:00 - 5:00

Please email Contact Info Redacted for meeting details.

#### **Externship Virtual Drop-In Hours**

For general questions and guidance on the application process, students can meet with Samira Sharif by appointment. Please email Contact Info Redacted your availability.

#### Virtual Events This Week

## Social Justice Monday: Farmworker Justice

Oct 26 | 12:00 - 1:00 pm | Contact Info Reducted

Seattle University School of Law's Labor and Employment Law Association (LELA) is pleased to invite you to attend our Social Justice Monday event to introduce law students to Farmworkers' issues in Washington State. This panel will feature **David Morales**, an attorney with Northwest Justice Project, and **Edgar Franks**, the Political Director of Familias Unidas Por La Justicia, an independent union of farmworkers. Join us on to learn more about how these organizations and our panelists are fighting for a just workplace through litigation and direct organizing. Some issues include fair pay, safe working conditions amidst COVID-19 and wildfires, and more. There will also be an opportunity for you to ask questions about agricultural workers' issues and how both litigation and organizing in our community can create change.

## **SUPAA General Body Meeting**

Oct 26 | 12:00 - 1:00 pm | Contact Info Redacted

Come join Seattle University Post-Conviction Appellate Alliance (SUPAA) for its second general body meeting!

## **Halloween Mask Competition**

#### Submit your entry by October 27 at 12:00pm (PT) | Instagram

Come join the Health Law Society for a three-week competition of mask decorating fun! Starting on October 5, the HLS will accept submissions of Halloween masks. The deadline for all submissions is October 27 at 12:00pm (PT), and the winner will be announced on October 29 at 4:00pm (PT). Submissions will be made on Instagram; you must upload a photo of your mask in either a photo to your feed or to your story and tag Contact Info Redacted

## **Zoom Where It Happens - SU Alums of Color Panel**

Oct 27 | 12:00 – 1:00 pm | Contact Info Redacted

Please stop by virtually on Tuesday, October 27 at 12 P.M. to hear several distinguished Seattle U Law alums Michelle Pham, Fe Lopez, Erika Evans, & Mark Morgan talk about their experiences navigating their respective careers from their time as a law student to now. This is an excellent opportunity to hear from some of our wonderful alumni who are currently practicing in a plethora of legal areas so please come with any questions you may want to ask our panelists for we are anticipating this to be an insightful and engaging event. Zoom link will be provided soon.

## **Cannabis Law Society October General Body Meeting**

Oct 27 | 12:00 – 1:00 pm | Contact Info Redacted

Cannabis Law Society is hosting its October general body meeting to make introductions and discuss the plan for the semester going forward. This meeting is open to anyone interested in Cannabis Law Society in addition to those people who are already members of the organization.

## **James E. Bond ABA Moot Court Competition**

Oct 28 | 4:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. | Contact Info Red

Please join us for the final round of the Bond Moot Court Competition, in which our top two competitors present their cases to our panel of volunteer judges. The finalists are competing for a shared \$6,000 scholarship from the Fred H. and Mary S. Charitable Foundation. They worked on a criminal problem during Legal Writing II during Spring 2020 semester.

## **BLM v. City of Seattle KCBA Panel**

Oct 28 | 5:00pm | Contact Info Redacted

This panel will discuss the ongoing litigation following Seattle Police Department's use of tear gas, pepper spray, and other less-lethal weapons against BLM protestors. The panel will feature attorneys working on the case and a key plaintiff. They will tell their stories, which involve tracking down witnesses and potential plaintiffs during the protests to bring First and Fourth Amendment claims against the City of Seattle.

Please submit any questions you have for the panel prior to the meeting. Send your questions to Contact Info Redacted by Monday, October 26 at 5:00pm.

Contact Info Redacted \_\_\_\_ Attendance is limited to the first 90 registrations.

## Criminal Defense in the Age of Black Lives Matter

Oct 29 | 12:00 – 1:00 pm | Contact Info Redacted

Gideon's Army is pleased to present Criminal Defense in the Age of Black Lives Matter, a panel discussion dedicated to exploring how the idea of Black Lives Matter informs the work of three incredible attorneys from the Washington Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers. Larry Jefferson, Cassie Trueblood, and Neil Fox will talk to students about how they advocate for their clients of color, defense strategy that explicitly identifies biases, and the changes they believe should be made within the criminal legal system.

The Humanist Case for Abortion: Hosted by a Coalition of Student Organizations and Individual Student Organizers

Oct 29 | 12:00 – 1:00 pm |

Hello Seattle U Community! We are excited to announce that we will be hosting a panel discussion focusing on the importance of widespread, inclusive, and accessible reproductive justice. This panel, which is the result of the collaboration of many student organizations and individual student organizers, will feature the progressive voices of three speakers who will touch on topics related to gender-based oppression and the impact of restrictive abortion laws on BIPOC communities, LGBTQ+ communities, and folks with disabilities. The discussion will touch on why anti-abortion rhetoric is harmful to the ongoing fight for equity in reproductive justice. Attendees will hear from Kim Clark, Senior Attorney at Legal Voice; Andrea Kadlec, Attorney at Disability Rights Washington; and Sherae Lascelles, Candidate for Washington State Representative in Washington's 43rd legislative district. The panel will be moderated by Josh Treybig, Civil Consequences Attorney for King County Public Defender's Office, and President of the QLaw Association. The event will take place on Thursday, Oct. 29th from noon - 1:00 pm using Microsoft Teams.

Please reach out to Peyton Jacobsen questions. We hope to see you there!

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**Public Interest Law Panel** 

Oct 29 | 5:00 - 6:00 pm | Contact Info Redacted

Join the Black Law Student Association as it hosts a panel of distinguished legal practitioners in the Public Interest practice area. Those joining us will be Judge Marshall Ferguson of the King County Superior Court, Deputy Prosecuting Attorney Darrah Hinton '17, and Public Defender Susy Sobel '17. We hope you join us as we have conversations about how recent events impact their work as well as insight gleaned from their time operating in this area of the law.

A.I. Law Society: Tech Talk - October

Oct 29 | 5:00 - 6:00 pm | Contact Info Redacted

A.I. Law Society is bring back Tech Talk for October!

Tech Talk is a monthly book club-like discussion group where we digest a short article or video about artificial intelligence, tech, and its impact on our daily lives as well as the community at large. Every month, a new item of interest in a different area of tech and A.I. and intersections in social justice is recommended by AILS's board members. We then get together to share our reactions, opinions, and ideas about the selected material.

This month, our topic of discussion is an <u>article from Vice reporter Todd Feathers</u> titled "This Company Is Using Racially-Biased Algorithms to Select Jurors."

https://www.vice.com/en/article/epgmbw/this-company-is-using-racially-biased-algorithms-to-select-jurors

An important topic in the future of law and the judicial system, we will ask each other whether it is a good idea to use computers to select jurors. What are the pros? What are the cons? What are the larger and not so obvious social impacts of having jurors picked by algorithms? Why are companies and governments still moving forward with implementing these systems despite the cons?

This next Tech Talk is taking place on Thursday, October 29th from 5pm - 6pm via Zoom. Please RSVP on ConnectSU to confirm your attendance. We look forward to hearing everyone's reaction to the article!

Is Seattle Becoming Ungovernable?

Oct 29 | 6:30 pm | Contact Info Redacted

In this livestream conversation presented by Seattle University Institute of Public Service and Town Hall Seattle, respected journalist Joni Balter and professor Dr. Larry Hubbell engage in a discussion with local experts to consider this question. Seattle City Councilmember Debora Juarez and former King County Executive Ron Sims join Balter and Hubbell to examine the impact of the recent past, particularly the last six months, on Seattle and local government—and to consider a way forward as a city.

Citizens in cities across the United States are rising up in protest, and societal struggles that were already challenging to solve have been exacerbated by the events of this year. Seattle especially has experienced significant unrest, with recall petitions, souring mayor-council relations, calls to defund police, protests at

councilmembers' houses, and the US attorney general calls Seattle an "anarchist" city. All of this begs the question: is Seattle becoming ungovernable?

## **Halloween Happy Hour**

Oct 29 | 7:00 - 8:00 pm | Contact Info Redacted

Join APILSA for a night of spooky fun! Bring a beverage of your choice and come join us for games and a costume contest with a prize! [Meeting ID: 958 0340 9443]

**Guest Speaker - David O'Hair (Trademark Attorney)** 

Oct 30 | 12:00 - 1:00 pm | Contact Info Redacted

Come join ESLA and David O'Hair to learn about his experience as a trademark attorney, his path to his current job at Knobbe Martens, and how Intellectual Property intersects with all forms of business. Also, join in the Halloween costume contest to receive a \$10 Starbucks gift card to the winning costume/student.

Labor and Employment Law Association (LELA) General Membership Meeting

Oct 30 | 12:00 – 1:00 pm

Please join LELA for a general membership meeting on **Friday, October 30, 12-1 PM** via We will show you resources for how to apply for jobs, externships, and fellowships where you can gain valuable experience furthering workers' rights. We look forward to meeting you! Questions? Contact Angie Weiss, President, at Contact Info Redacted.

**Incarcerated Mothers Advocacy Project Joint Orientation** 

Nov 1 | 10:00 am - 1:30 pm | Learn more on Contact Info Redacted

Orientation for IMAP SU, UW, and larger IMAP. Two day event in which speakers will present on prison abolition, family law impacted incarcerated mothers, reproductive justice, and IMAP's mission, goals, and structure.

You can always see more details about student life related events in the coming weeks by visiting ConnectSU. Click the image below to view more.



Announcements

**COVID Court Procedures Update** 

Volunteer to assist organizations, attorneys and pro se litigants navigate the WA court system during the pandemic. ATJI is seeking student volunteers to update existing materials covering court procedures during COVID-19 including but not limited to scheduling and attending hearings, domestic violence filing procedures, procedures for evictions and housing cases and many more. To volunteer, contact Abby at Contact Info Redacted

## **Law Library News**

#### Need a quiet place to study?

The Law Library is open daily from 7 am to 10 pm. Be sure to follow all <u>health and safety</u> requirements.

#### For library help, feel free to reach out as follows:

Research questions - <u>lawreference@seattleu.edu</u>

Interlibrary/Summit loan questions - <u>LawILL@seattleu.edu</u>

Circulation questions - <u>LawCirc@seattleu.edu</u>

Also, check out our databases, research guides, and catalog on the library home page: <a href="https://law.seattleu.edu/library">https://law.seattleu.edu/library</a>.

# Washington Attorneys with Disabilities Association Scholarship

Washington Attorneys with Disabilities Association (WADA) intends to award at least one scholarship of \$2500 to a law student who has shown commitment to helping promote meaningful inclusion of people with disabilities throughout the legal profession and by sharing the personal experience of a person with disabilities while pursuing a legal career. More information about how to apply for this scholarship can be found Submit the application and all supporting materials by March 30, 2021.

## **Companion Animal Law Writing Contest**

The American Kennel Club (AKC) is pleased to announce the fourth annual Companion Animal Law Writing Contest! The contest begins on August 10th and is opens to all students currently enrolled at an ABA-accredited law school

The contest will offer a first-place prize of \$2500 and a second-place prize of \$500. Students are asked to choose between two topics: forfeiture of an animal and the legal treatment of animals as property. This year's topics offer students the unique opportunity to discuss legal perspectives on issues currently in the news and at the forefront of animal law.

Entries will be judged by legal and public policy professionals with experience in laws impacting companion animals.

Contestants can enter now through March 31, 2021, at 6:00 p.m. EST. To learn more about the contest, including official rules and policies, Contact Info Redacted

## Be a part of the 2020 Virtual Christmas Tree Lighting

On December 3, 2020, for the first time in Seattle University history, the annual Christmas Tree Lighting is going virtual! We would love to see various members of our campus community represented in this year's program! Have some fun holiday photos to share? Interested in sharing your hopes for the new year or season's

greetings via video? We would love to see it! Throughout the month of October, we are accepting photos and video submissions (~30secs-1min) from students, staff & faculty, and alumni to be showcased during the Christmas Tree Lighting event! Please send your submissions to De'Andre Jones, Assistant Director for Events & Traditions at Contact Info Redacted no later than October 31, 2020. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to reach out to De'Andre directly. We look forward to highlighting all the holiday cheer of the SU community as a part of this year's program! Also, if you haven't already, don't forget to RSVP to the Christmas Tree Lighting Event on Contact Info Redacted

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