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**November 23, 2015**

Dear Colleagues,

At this unsettling time during our nation's and world's history, I wish for each of you a Thanksgiving holiday that is full of joy and peace. I know that I will be reflecting on the many blessings I've been given (which include a job that's never dull and an amazing group of people with whom to spend my days) and the ways in which I might be able to offer aid and a human connection to those who have not been so fortunate.

Happy Thanksgiving!

Annette

## Publications

**Diane Lourdes Dick's** article, "U.S. Tax Imperialism," was published in the American University Law Review.

The second edition of **Dean Spade's** [book](#), "Normal Life: Administrative Violence, Critical Trans Politics, and the Limits of Law," was recently published by Duke University Press with new material. The book was also recently translated and published in [Spanish](#).

## Presentations

**Janet Ainsworth** was an invited speaker at two European conferences: the 6th International Conference on Law, Language, and Discourse hosted by the University of Orebro, Sweden, where she presented the

## Upcoming Events

### [Thanksgiving Recess](#)

Wednesday, November 25 – Friday, November 27

Offices closed after 1 PM on November 25.

Offices closed all day from November 25 – November 27.

### [Last Class Day - Fall Semester 2015](#)

Thursday, December 3

### [4th Annual Nursing and the Law Update: Issues for an Aging Workforce and Aging Patients](#)

Friday, December 4

12:00 pm – 4:00 pm

Student Center, Room 160

### [Creating Effective and Realistic Privacy Policies](#)

Wednesday, December 9

9:00 am – 12:00 pm

Room C5

### [Ethics with John and Dave 2015](#)

Friday, December 18

9:00 am – 12:15 pm

Student Center, Room 160

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paper, "Procedural Justice in the Transition from Inquisitorial to Adversarial Models," and at the Association for Applied Linguistics in Professional Practice's annual conference hosted at the University of Milan, where she presented the paper, "Discursive Constructions of Narratives at Trial in an Age of Criminal Justice Reform in the EU." During the first week of December, Jan will be the keynote speaker at the Brazilian Association of Law and Language conference in Natal, Brazil, where her address will be entitled "The Role of Syntax in Legal Judgment: Challenges for a Multi-lingual World."

**Bob Boruchowitz** spoke on a panel at the University of Washington School of Law on "Mental Illness: Civil Liberties vs. Public Safety." Other panelists included a Seattle police sergeant, a deputy prosecutor, and a doctor whose son is mentally ill. The panel was moderated by U.S. District Court Judge Robert Lasnik.

**Diane Lourdes Dick** presented her article, "*U.S. Tax Imperialism in Puerto Rico*," as part of the Graduate Tax Colloquium at the University of Florida Levin College of Law on November 13. She also presented a draft article, "*Balancing Risk and Power in Chapter 11: An Examination of Postpetition Financing Arrangements in Large Commercial Bankruptcies*," at an invitation-only Young Bankruptcy Scholars Work-in-Progress Workshop held at Brooklyn Law School on November 20.

Professor **Carmen Gonzalez** gave a keynote address at Arizona State University on her co-edited volume, "Presumed Incompetent: The Intersections of Race and Class for Women in Academia." She also conducted a workshop on diversity and inclusion for senior administrators and a community-building workshop for female faculty of color. Professor Gonzalez also spoke about "*Presumed Incompetent*" at the inaugural gathering of women and female-identified people of color at Seattle Central Community College.

**Natasha Martin** presented "Echoes of Jim Crow in the Contemporary Workplace" at Duke Law School as part of the Present and Future of Civil Rights Movements: Race and Reform in 21st Century America Conference, sponsored by the law school, the Center for Law, Race, and Politics, and the Program in Public Policy. Her project was selected from an open call for papers.

## Other News

**Janet Ainsworth** ran a graduate student workshop at the University of Stockholm on methodologies of analytic discourse coding in formal legal proceedings. She is a member of the Communication of Rights Working Group, and their recently drafted Guidelines for the Communication of Rights for Non-Native Speakers of English has already been officially endorsed by the executive committee of the Linguistic Society of America and the American Association of Applied Linguistics; it is pending endorsement by over twenty other judicial, interpreter, linguistic, human rights, and criminal justice organizations located throughout the English-speaking world.

**Lori Bannai**'s new book about Fred Korematsu shows that his legal crusade for civil rights is still relevant today and is featured on [the North American Post](#).

**Bob Boruchowitz** spoke to the International District Rotary Club on November 12 on, "The Cost of the Death Penalty," answering questions on the study that he did with three other SU professors, as well as about his work on misdemeanor right to counsel. Also, at the request of Snohomish County Superior Court Judge George Bowden, Bob submitted an amicus brief and argued in favor of setting aside the costs of appellate counsel on appeal for a prison inmate who lost his Court of Appeals case and who had no ability to pay the costs. The judge followed his recommendation and granted an order vacating the legal financial obligation. His study on the costs of seeking the death penalty was cited in [the Seattle Times](#). Bob also testified by Skype as an expert witness in a hearing in New Orleans District Court on a motion by the Public Defender to stop taking new cases because of the excessive caseload the lawyers are carrying. Other witnesses for the Defender included Professor Ellen Yaroshefsky from Cardozo Law School and Barry Scheck from the Innocence Project at Cardozo.

**Maggie Chon**'s forthcoming article, "Tracermarks: A Proposed Information Intervention," is the subject of a recent story by the [World Trademark Review](#).

**Charlotte Garden** offered insight into Seattle's new protections for workers in [Crosscut](#).

**Jack Kirkwood** was interviewed by *FTC: Watch* for a major article on merger enforcement, prompted by news reports of increasing consolidation in American industry and studies showing that many past mergers had led to price increases.

**John McKay** served as Special Moderator for California State University, San Bernardino's public leadership forum, "Enhanced Interrogation or Torture?" in San Bernardino and Palm Desert, California on November 6-7. He also testified before the House Judiciary Committee in Olympia on November 19 in his capacity as public spokesperson for the Civil Legal Needs Study.

**Angeline Thomas** was featured on [KPLU](#) for a foreclosure prevention canvassing effort she is doing with the City of Tacoma.

**Erica Wolf** moderated a distinguished panel of Indian and Tribal law practitioners at the November 18th Careers in Indian and Tribal Law event, which was sponsored by the Center for Indian Law & Policy, the Center for Professional Development, and the Office of Admissions.

**Please send items to be included in the next Dean's Spotlight to [Jessica Fuqua](#) in the Dean's Office.**