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June 5, 2017

Dear Colleagues,

Even though we're into our summer schedule, I'm proud to see that our faculty is still hard at work making presentations and contributing to public dialogue on important law-related matters. In addition to continuing your professional pursuits, I wish everyone a summer filled with rest and relaxation and time spent with loved ones and on activities that give you joy. Life is short and August will be here before we know it ...

Annette

## Publications

**Steven Bender** published "The Value of Online Law Review Supplements for Junior and Senior Faculty," as part of an associate dean symposium in the *Touro Law Review* titled "Perspectives from an Associate Dean: Past, Present, and Future Roles of Law Reviews."

## Presentations

**Mary Bowman** represented Seattle U at a workshop on incorporating professionalism and professional identity programs into the 1L year. She spoke on two panels, one dealing with reflection questions and the other with when to offer and how to staff these programs. The workshop was hosted by the Holloran Center for Ethical Leadership in the Professions, and more than half the attendees came from schools that are interested in beginning new professionalism programs. The new Seattle U Legal Writing, Skills, and Values course was one of the most intensive programs described at the workshop and the only one designed around transference principles.

## Upcoming Events

[Mastering Legal Writing Skills CLE](#)

June 21 – June 23  
8:30 am – 4:30 pm  
Room 327

[Intellectual Property: From Fundamentals to Enforcement CLE](#)

July 12 – July 14  
8:00 am – 4:00 pm  
Sullivan Hall

Featured Speakers: Matthew Balint, P.E., J.D. '05; Ryan Dodge; and Alina Morris

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

**Lisa Brodoff** and **Liz Ford** co-presented a session at the May 2017 AALS Clinical Conference in Denver entitled “Clinics as Change Agents in Challenging Times: Expanding Clinical Models for Teaching and Organizing.” They discussed the role of law school clinics working with community organizations, reflecting on clinic representation on projects involving transgender rights and workers’ rights as substantive examples, and focused on the transferrable skills our students learn from representing clients involved in social mobilization efforts.

**Lisa Brodoff** spoke at the June Statewide Legal Advocate Training in Yakima entitled “Pursuing Equity and Justice in Administrative Hearings: Representational Accommodation for Disabled Parties.” Lisa and her co-presenters trained legal advocates on how to recognize when clients may be in need of and eligible for a representational accommodation in the OAH hearing process, advise clients on applying for a representational accommodation, help clients appeal an initial denial, and assess any problems with the OAH implementation of the new rule (a rule that came about through advocacy by the SU Administrative Law Clinic on behalf of the Korematsu Center and others). Lisa also presented at Temple Beth Hatfiloh in Olympia in May for a series on end of life planning and she presented at the WSBA Senior Lawyers Annual CLE on “Advance Dementia Planning for our Clients, our Families, and Ourselves: Introduction to the Alzheimer’s/Dementia Mental Health Advance Directive.”

**Jeff Minneti** presented “Building an Effective and Sustainable Academic Success Team” at the Association for Academic Support Educators (AASE) Annual Conference in Ft. Worth Texas on May 25. Jeff won a seat on the AASE Executive Board for 2017-2018; he will serve as secretary.

## Other News

**Steven Bender** was interviewed by the *Washington Post* for a story on the racial disparities in legalized cannabis entrepreneurship. His article, “The Chronicles of Immigration,” was recently listed on SSRN’s Top Ten download list for the Politics of Race.

**Robert Boruchowitz**’s expert witness report is featured in [The Times-Picayune](#) coverage of the Southern Poverty Law Center’s efforts to seek class action certification in a lawsuit challenging Louisiana’s failing public defense system.

**Robert Chang** spoke with the [Huffington Post](#) about connections between the Trump travel ban and the internment of Japanese

Americans during World War II. An amicus brief filed by the Korematsu Center played a pivotal role in oral arguments for the state of Hawaii's challenge to the travel ban and featured prominently in [ThinkProgress](#) and [National Law Journal](#) coverage of the arguments.

**Annette Clark's** keynote address to the Eastside Legal Assistance Program, describing the benefits of doctors and lawyers working more closely together, was covered by the [Bellevue Reporter](#).

**Lily Kahng** spoke to [The Wall Street Journal](#) about the difficulty of changing tax laws.

**Jack Kirkwood** was interviewed by a Bloomberg Labor Law reporter about the Trump Administration's efforts to back away from an Obama Administration labor law rule. He also signed onto, and helped shape, a professors' amicus brief to the Supreme Court recommending cert in a case challenging the *Matsushita* summary judgment standard. Finally, he sat on the selection committee for the Cohen Award for antitrust scholarship.

**John McKay** wrote an essay for [Vox](#) about his own politically motivated firing as it relates to the firing of FBI Director James Comey. He and his brother Mike McKay also authored an essay for [The Seattle Times](#) about problematic federal sentencing guidelines.

**Sara Rankin** told [Crosscut](#) that backyard homes eliminate the problem of social distance from homelessness.

**Anna Roberts** participated in a panel discussion hosted by the [U.S. Commission on Civil Rights](#) about the collateral consequences of incarceration.

**Andrew Siegel's** upcoming series of lectures about the U.S. Constitution was previewed by the [Whidbey Record](#).

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