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Dear Colleagues,

Dean Clark is currently in Hong Kong meeting some of our wonderful alumni, so no remarks from her for this edition of the Spotlight. However, thank you all for your submissions. It is clear that you are doing remarkable work!

Also.. have a happy Halloween!

Sincerely,
Jessica

Presentations

Lori Bannai and **Bob Chang** presented on the travel ban executive order and two immigration cases on the Supreme Court's docket at the law school's 2017 Supreme Court Watch CLE. Lori also testified by telephone before the New York City Council Committee on Cultural Affairs in support of designating January 30 each year as Fred T. Korematsu Day in NYC.

Bob Chang presented "Lessons from *Gonzalez v. Douglas*," as part of the panel on "What the Government Can – And Can't Say – And Where and When Is Public Employee Speech Protected," hosted by the National Organization of Lawyers for Education Associations in Salt Lake City, Utah.

Gillian Dutton presented on the topic of language access as critical to immigrant integration and a needed response to racism and xenophobia in "Why We Do This Work" with Marsha Chien, attorney from the Washington State Attorney General's Office Wing Luke Civil Rights Unit. They gave the opening plenary in Wenatchee at the 12th Summit of the Washington State Coalition for Language Access (WASCLA), an organization whose mission is to ensure the availability and delivery of effective legal, health, educational, and social services to Limited English Proficient residents of Washington state.

Upcoming Events

[Social Justice Monday](#)

Monday, October 30
12:00 pm – 1:00 pm
Room C5

[5th Annual Northwest Marijuana Law Conference CLE](#)

Friday, November 3
8:30 am – 5:00 pm
Room 110

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

Paul Holland presented (along with Professor Kim Ambrose from the University of Washington) to the Washington Sentencing Guidelines Commission on recent developments in law and science concerning youthfulness and sentencing.

Tayyab Mahmud presented a paper, “The Global Turn to the Right: Unavoidable Consequence of Neoliberal Capitalism,” at the LatCrit Biennial Conference in Orlando, Florida. He also presented an “Introduction to LatCrit” at LatCrit/SALT Faculty Development Workshop.

Jeffrey Minneti presented a draft of his paper, “Diversifying the Legal Profession through a Comprehensive Approach to Access Admissions,” at a symposium hosted by the University of Maryland Journal of Race, Religion, Gender and Class in Baltimore, Maryland. Jeffrey further discussed the Seattle U Law Access Admissions program the following day as a member of a panel on “Building and Sustaining Access Programs” at the Association of Academic Support Educators Inaugural Diversity Conference in Baltimore.

Isabel Freitas Peres presented “Supporting International Students” as part of a panel at the Inaugural AASE Diversity Conference in Baltimore, MD, on October 13. Isabel is the current co-chair of the AASE Programming Committee Host School Representative Elect.

Other News

Bryan Adamson will participate in two programs at the upcoming AALS Conference in San Diego: a discussion group on “Access to Justice in the Age of Technology, Television, and Trump,” and the AALS Committee on Recruitment and Retention of Minority Law Teachers and Students Session “On the Front Line: The Role and Position of Clinical Faculty of Color in Challenging Times.” In addition, he will deliver the opening remarks at the 2018 AALS Conference on Clinical Legal Education for the workshop for new law school clinical teachers.

Steven Bender's article, “The Colors of Cannabis: Race and Marijuana, 50 U.C. Davis L. Rev. 689 (2016),” was cited and discussed in a dissenting opinion in an Iowa Supreme Court opinion.

Deirdre Bowen's article, “Visibly Invisible: Stigma and the Burden of Race, Class and Gender for Female Students of Color Striving for an Academic Career in the Sciences,” has been selected for inclusion in the inaugural issue of Women and Gender Research Network on SSRN. This article is included in the launch as part of the Women & Work eJournal, Feminist

Theory & Philosophy eJournal, WGSRN: Feminist Philosophy (Topic),
WGSRN: Gender, Race, & Class (Sub-Topic).

Bob Chang spoke at a workshop, “Thinking/Talking/Doing: Lessons from the Korematsu Center” at the LatCrit Conference in Orlando.

Maggie Chon helped to plan and participate in a panel for the Seattle Intellectual Property American Inn of Court on the *Matal v. Tam* case.

Margaret Fisher, lead on the Council on Public Legal Education Civic Learning Initiative, is hosting a summit January 22 and 23, 2018. Justice Sotomayor will participate throughout. The Ninth Circuit Chief Judge and more than 20 Ninth Circuit judges will join the events along with key elected leaders, educators, administrators, supporters, students and others in Washington. The Seattle Youth Traffic Court will host a live hearing at the summit to demonstrate the program. On October 20, 2017, she also participated in the [Bench Bar Press Committee panel](#) on the Civic Learning Initiative, moderated by U.S. District Court Judge Robert Lasnik, along with Solicitor General Noah Purcell, Secretary of State Kim Wyman, Judge Marlin Appelwick, and Seattle Times Editor Kate Riley.

Paul Holland appeared before the King County Council to present the 2017 Annual Report of the King County Public Defense Advisory Board, of which he is now chair.

Jack Kirkwood addressed two cases at the 9th Annual Supreme Court Watch CLE – the antitrust case challenging American Express’s ability to prevent merchants from steering consumers to cheaper credit cards, and the labor law case claiming that the First Amendment bars states from requiring employees in public agencies to support the union that represents them.

Tayyab Mahmud appeared twice in the last month on Voice of America (International Service) to discuss U.S response to China’s “One-Belt-One-Road” regional economic plan and the state of conflict in Syria and Yemen. He also served on the Cultural Advisory Committee for the Arts West Theater (West Seattle) production of the play, *The Who & The What*, written by Ayad Akhter, who won the 2013 Pulitzer (Drama) for *Disgrace*.

In addition to the book-signing events held last week at Seattle U Law School, UW Law School, Elliot Bay Book Company, and the Los Angeles County Bar Association Meeting, **David Skover**’s co-authored publication, *The Judge: 26 Machiavellian Lessons*, was the subject of a book review by Judge Alex Kozinski that was circulated to all judges within the Ninth Circuit.

David was also interviewed by Mike Ross in a 30-minute segment featured on his morning show on KIRO 97.3 FM radio.

George William Van Cleve's new book, "We Have Not a Government: The U.S. Before the Constitution," was featured in [this Q&A](#) in The Nation magazine.

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