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Dear Colleagues,

As we prepare to close Sullivan Hall for the holidays, I want to particularly thank Leann Wagele for putting together another outstanding Holiday Reception and Donna Deming and Deann Ketchum for their work in putting on Saturday morning's flawless Commencement Ceremony. Lest you think the work has stopped, we had an Open House for a good-sized group of prospective students today (nice job, Admission Office!), so just as we send one group out the door, we're working hard to bring in next year's class.

I wish everyone on our law school faculty and staff a blessed and joyous holiday season. See you in the New Year (and please let Brooke Coleman know if you're going to be at AALS in San Diego)!

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Publications

Anna Roberts's most recent article, "[Dismissals as Justice](#)," was published in the Alabama Law Review.

Presentations

Steven Bender presented to the University of Miami faculty and graduate students on Borders and Migrations in the Trump Era.

Lisa Brodoff presented at the KCBA Administrative Law Forum on Fairness in Administrative Hearings and remedies to obstacles faced by appellants in the hearing process. The forum was designed to begin a dialogue to see what improvements can be made to the hearing system.

Upcoming Events

**Administrative offices are closed from
December 25 – January 2!**

Brooke Coleman spoke at the Federal Bar Association annual CLE regarding personal jurisdiction.

Gillian Dutton presented “The Seattle University Law Externship Curriculum Project: Making Waves by Reflecting on Values” at the Northwest Clinical Law Conference in Leavenworth, WA.

During the week of December 11, **Mimi Samuel** and **Laurel Oates** conducted a five-day workshop on learning theory and effective pedagogy for approximately 30 faculty members at St. Joseph’s College of Law in Bangalore, India. The participants included faculty from St. Joseph’s and from other institutions in Bangalore. Most of the participants were law professors, but representatives from the fields of hard sciences, the social sciences, and language were also in attendance.

Other News

Tom Antkowiak formed part of an inaugural Seattle University faculty delegation to the Kino Border Initiative (KBI). KBI offers humanitarian assistance and advocacy for migrants on both sides of the US-Mexico border. The faculty delegation is evaluating whether SU should establish an ongoing collaboration with KBI.

Lisa Brodoff and Ada Shen-Jaffe co-facilitated a full-day training for administrative law judges in Washington state on Race Equity, Implicit Bias, and Justice in the Administrative Court System. Over 125 ALJs were trained in three locations statewide – Seattle University, Olympia, and Spokane. This first ever ALJ training was sponsored by the WSBA Access to Justice Board and JUSTLEAD Washington.

Brooke Coleman will serve on the executive committee for the AALS Section of Civil Procedure in 2018. Her article, “Legal Fempire: Women in Complex Litigation” (forthcoming Indiana Law Journal), was peer reviewed on JOTWELL.

Gillian Dutton organized the third annual meeting of the Pacific Area Consortium on Externships, founded by the Seattle University Law School Externship Program. The group has expanded to include law schools in Idaho and Montana, has been renamed the Northwest Area Consortium on Externships, and has plans to coordinate on supervisor training in the coming year. She also provided training in Tacoma to the Pierce County Pro Tem Commissioners on the topic of “Implicit Bias and Cultural Competence.”

Isabel Freitas Peres was part of the Seattle University delegation in the Guadalupe Faith/Hospitality Experience in Mexico offered by the Mexican Benedictine Sisters at the Guadalupe Center in Cuernavaca. This immersion experience discussed immigration, religion, indigenous communities, and poverty through seminars and visits to local cooperatives and social projects. Members of the Seattle University delegation also participated in the feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe in Mexico City.

Charlotte Garden spoke to [Bloomberg](#) about major labor law cases at the U.S. Supreme Court this term and what they could mean for workers. She provided commentary on a separate [Bloomberg](#) article about the federal government's stance in one of the cases.

Anna Roberts published a piece entitled [Will the most controversial rule of evidence be reformed?](#) on In Justice Today, a new outlet devoted to criminal justice topics.

Steve Tapia appeared on [New Day Northwest](#) to discuss net neutrality and what weakened regulations could mean for consumers.

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