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SEATTLE SCHOOL OF LAW

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Dear Colleagues,

Thank you to all of you for your flexibility as we deal with the flood damage to our three largest classrooms, and particular thanks to Rick Bird, Leann Wagele, Arliss Doss, and Sheila Underwood for helping to direct the cleanup efforts and for moving our various classes and events to unaffected rooms in the building. I also want to say how proud I am of this law school in hosting two superb programs this past Friday and Saturday—the Korematsu Center/Federal Bar Association CLE on "The Japanese American Incarceration" and the HRAP "Finding Space to Solve Homelessness" forum. Many, many people were involved in putting together these two events, but I want to recognize in particular Mark Sideman, Rebecca O'Neil, Lori Bannai, Bob Chang, Sara Rankin, Leann Wagele, and Arliss Doss. I heard from numerous participants that these were among the best programs events they've ever attended, and I certainly concur in that assessment. Nicely done!

Annette

Publications

Tom Antkowiak's remarks at the 2017 Annual Meeting of the American Society of International Law, held in Washington, D.C., were recently published by Cambridge University Press.

Steven Bender and SU law adjunct **Veronica Fynn Bruey** obtained a book contract from Lexington Books (an imprint of The Rowman & Littlefield Publishing Group) for their forthcoming co-edited volume, titled "Deadly Voyages: Migrant Journeys across the Globe."

Debbie Borman will publish an article in Volume 41 of the *Seattle University Law Review*. Entitled, "Degrading Assessment: Rejecting Rubrics in Favor of Authentic Analysis," Borman's article posits that using rubrics to assess legal analytical writing may result in poor execution of such writing. Rubrics replace the authentic, holistic analysis of writing and reasoning with

Upcoming Events

2018 Olympia Sidebar Happy Hour Thursday, April 19 5:30 pm – 7:30 pm The Mark, Red Room 407 Columbia Street SW, Olympia WA

Navigating Modern Discovery CLE Friday, April 20 9:00 am – 4:30 pm Room 110

<u>16th Anniversary Seattle Journal for Social</u> <u>Justice (SJSJ) Dinner</u> Friday, April 20 5:30 pm – 8:00 pm 2nd Floor Gallery

Bridging the Gavel Gap - A Judicial Institute Panel Tuesday, April 24 5:00 pm – 7:30 pm 2nd Floor Gallery

Visit the School of Law website for more upcoming events.

inauthentic pigeonholing that "stamps standardization" onto a creative and analytical, that is, nonstandard, process. She advocates for a holistic approach to grading and evaluating legal analytical writing, including engaging in authentic conversations about writing, leading to a more comprehensible written work product and ultimately better lawyering.

Brooke Coleman's essay, "#SoWhiteMale (federal civil rulemaking)," was accepted for publication by Northwestern Law Review Online and for republication by *Northwestern Law Review*. Brooke also published an issue brief with the American Constitution Society titled, <u>Federal Civil</u> <u>Rulemaking, Discovery Reform, and the Promise of Pilot Projects</u>, which reviews the civil rulemaking committee's recent foray into piloting potential rule changes.

Anna Roberts's <u>review</u> of Suja Thomas's book, "The Missing American Jury," appeared in *Political Science Quarterly*.

Presentations

Janet Ainsworth presented a paper at an invited colloquium at the American Association of Applied Linguistics in Chicago, on how linguistic analysis of police interrogation transcripts can reveal sources of false confessions. She also spoke on a roundtable, titled "Beyond Tesol: Careers for a Degree in Applied Linguistics," which focused on legal application of linguistics by lawyers and by linguists.

Robert Chang joined his co-counsel, Richard Martinez, to speak at the University of Colorado about their recent civil rights victory at an event hosted by its law school, the Ethnic Studies Department, and the Bueno Center for Multicultural Education. The event was titled, "Defending Ethnic Studies: The Struggle over Free Speech and Equality in Arizona." Martinez and Chang also guest lectured at an undergraduate Chicano Studies class. He also delivered remarks on the present-day relevance of the World War II Japanese incarceration cases for the program hosted by the Seattle University School of Law and the Federal Bar Association titled, "The Japanese American Incarceration: Civil Liberties and Upholding the Rule of Law, Then and Now." Later this month, Bob will be the keynote speaker at the 2nd Annual Ethnic Studies Student Research Symposium at Oregon State University.

On April 12, **Ron Clark** presented at the Washington Prosecuting Attorneys Association's Spring Training Conference in Wenatchee, WA.

Mimi Samuel and **Laurel Oates** presented a day-long CLE on "Persuasive Brief Writing" to 25 attorneys from the Seattle Regional Office of the Social Security Administration's Office of the General Counsel.

Other News

Mary Bowman was recently re-elected to the Legal Writing Institute's Board of Directors. She will serve another four-year term as a board member, and she will continue her work as co-chair of LWI's Professional Status Committee.

Matt Etter served as Co-Chair of this year's QLaw Banquet, held on Friday, April 13. The LGBTQ Bar Association's annual event drew a crowd of over 430 lawyers, judges, law students, and allies of the community and included a keynote speech by the Honorable G. Helen Whitener '98 of Pierce County Superior Court. A Bar Preparation Scholarship was also awarded to current SBA President Janice Langbehn.

Madeline Kass is the recipient of a Fulbright Scholarship Award. The Fulbright Program aims to "increase mutual understanding between the people of the United States and the people of other countries." The award will support her scholarly research on Comparative US/EU Environmental Law. Madeline will spend spring semester 2019 at the College of Europe in Bruges, Belgium, where she will be a Visiting Scholar for the duration of the award.

Won Kidane co-chaired the 2018 annual meeting of the Institute of Transnational Arbitration/American Society of International Law (ITA/ASIL) in Washington, D.C. on diversity and inclusion. He also moderated a panel on the causes of the diversity deficit in the field

Jack Kirkwood was interviewed on KUOW's *The Record* about whether Amazon is violating antitrust laws, an issue raised by President Donald J. Trump. A national Fox News reporter also interviewed Jack on camera about the same issue.

This semester, with assistance from students in the fall and spring **Civil Rights Clinic**, Korematsu Center director **Lorraine K. Bannai**, and staff attorneys **Melissa Lee** and **Jessica Levin**, the **Korematsu Center** has filed amicus briefs in the rescission of DACA cases in the United States District Court for the Eastern District of New York and in the Ninth and Second Circuits; in the Muslim travel ban case in the U.S. Supreme Court; and in juvenile sentencing cases in the Washington Court of Appeals and the Washington Supreme Court. In addition, the clinic and the Center remain active as co-counsel to Alaska Native tribes and individuals who are challenging Alaska state practices involving psychiatric hospitalization and psychotropic medication of foster children. Please send items to be included in the next Dean's Spotlight to <u>Jessica Fuqua</u> in the Dean's Office.