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May 14, 2018

Dear Colleagues,

I want to express our collective thanks to Deann Ketchum and Donna Deming for orchestrating another terrific Commencement ceremony this past Saturday. Also, thank you to the many staff who volunteered at graduation and to those of you who attended the BLSA and LLSA graduations, the Baccalaureate Mass, the reception on Friday evening, and Commencement. These events are a positive way to end a very busy academic year. I wish everyone a restful and productive summer, with many more sunny days like today!

Annette

## Presentations

**Lori Bannai** spoke on the Japanese American incarceration and its present day relevance, particularly with regard to the travel ban litigation before the U.S. Supreme Court, at Sewanee: the University of the South on April 9; at the Seattle U/Federal Bar Association program on April 13; and at the ABA Section on Litigation conference on May 2.

**Annette Clark** was the keynote speaker for Law Day for the Clallam Jefferson County Bar Association in Port Angeles. As set by the ABA for Law Day, the topic of her presentation was "Separation of Powers."

**Won Kidane** presented a paper on Investor-State Arbitration reform at the Bi-annual conference of the International Council for Commercial Arbitration (ICCA) in Sydney, Australia.

**Jack Kirkwood** presented "The American Express Case" to a CLE on antitrust law sponsored by WSBA that featured the two antitrust professors in Seattle.

## Upcoming Events

Skagit & Whatcom County Bar Association Reception

Wednesday, May 16

5:30 pm – 7:00 pm

The Skagit Ridge Hotel, Summit Room, 18444 Bow Hill Road, Bow, WA

The 30th Annual Indian Law Section Seminar - Looking Back, Moving Forward: Hot Topics in Indian Law CLE

Thursday, May 17

8:00 am – 4:45 pm

Room C5

Visit the School of Law website for more upcoming events.

**David Skover** gave a lecture on his recently published book, *The Judge: 26 Machiavellian Lessons*, at the Seattle Public Library under the auspices of the Seattle Historical Society in a program called “Words, Writers, and West Seattle.”

## Other News

This month, **Matt Etter** of CPD was elected president of QLaw, Washington State’s LGBTQ Bar Association.

**Won Kidane** offered commentary on Investor-State arbitration reform proposals during a forum organized by Columbia University and the University of Geneva to advise a United Nations Working Group. He also joined the Academic Forum by the recommendations of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law (UNCITRAL) Secretary General. The Forum will continue to advise UN Working Group III for years to come.

**Jack Kirkwood** was quoted in a *Yahoo Finance* article on the proposed T-Mobile/Sprint merger.

**Sara Rankin** was quoted in a *Raw Story* article about a controversial and important victory for vehicle residents in the Long case, where a King County Superior Court judge determined that a man’s truck was his home under the Homestead Act.

**Sara Rankin** and her **Homeless Rights Advocacy Project** students released their annual series of reports aiming to provide advocates and policymakers with a suite of tools around solutions to the region’s homelessness crisis.

**Steve Tapia** provided legal analysis regarding advertising and the internet in the current edition of WBUR’s Endless Thread program/podcast.

The **Homeless Rights Advocacy Project** was the subject of news stories in several media outlets, including KNKX Public Radio, KIRO Radio, CrossCut, Real Change News, and KOMO.

Please send items to be included in the next Dean's Spotlight to Jessica Fuqua in the Dean's Office.