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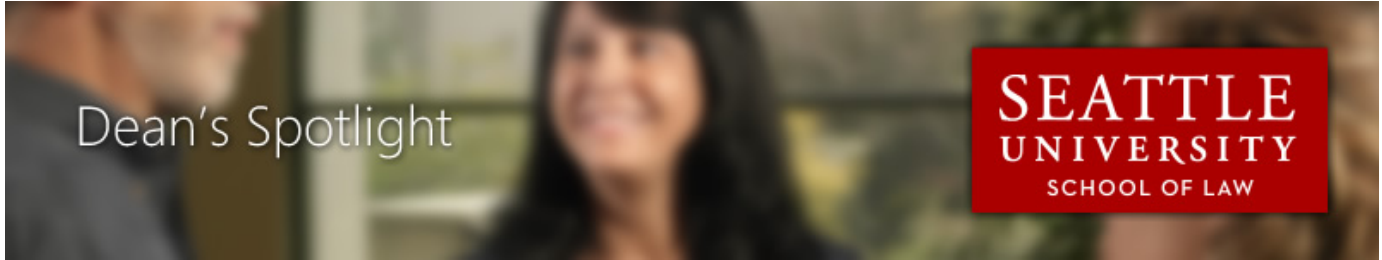
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January 25, 2021

Dear Colleagues,

Welcome back for our first issue of the Dean's Spotlight for the new semester. I'm delighted to let you know that our upcoming Influential Voices with Dean Spade and Nikkita Oliver (Tuesday, Jan. 26th, at 5:00 p.m.) is already at capacity with 300 registrations, so you'll want to watch the livestream of the program on YouTube if you haven't already registered. They'll be discussing the timely topic of "Mutual Aid: Building Solidarity During This Crisis (And The Next)." Please join us!

Annette

Publications

Steve Bender's 2019 LatCrit symposium afterword article titled, *Collective Knowledge Production Toward Transformative Social Change: A Community-Grounded Model*, was published in the *Harvard Latinx Law Review*, December 2020. He additionally helped arrange and edit the proceedings of the 2020 Innovating the Built Environment symposium for *The Seattle Journal of Technology, Environmental & Law*, published online.

Ron Clark obtained a book contract from Full Court Press, the publishing arm of Fastcase, for his latest book entitled *Roadways to Justice: Reforming the Criminal Justice System*. In the wake of the death of George Floyd and the Black Lives Matter protests against police violence and racial injustice, the question on people's minds is whether it is possible to make lasting changes to the criminal justice system. While this book examines the issues at play in courthouses across the nation, the backdrop is the King County Courthouse in Seattle. Naturally, because the book is somewhat of a memoir, Seattle University Law School is featured, in part because Professor Emeritus David Boerner was the architect of reforms, including the Sentencing Reform Act.

Diane Lourdes Dick published her article, "The Case for a Bankruptcy

Upcoming Events

Influential Voices

January 26th

5 P.M PST – 6 P.M. PST

Via Zoom

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

Shareholder Ombudsman” in the Bankruptcy Law Letter.

Monika Batra Kashyap’s article *Heartless Immigration Law: Rubbing Salt into the Wounds of Survivors of Domestic Violence*, 95 TULANE L. REV., was published in December 2020.

Kara Phillips recently co-authored an article for the American Association of Law Libraries Spectrum Magazine entitled *Tough Conversations About Race: Let the Book Start the Discussion*. The article described the Law School's racial justice book groups.

Chris Rideout’s article “Applied Legal Storytelling: An Updated Bibliography” has been accepted for publication in Volume 18 of *Legal Communication and Rhetoric* next fall.

Presentations

Lori Bannai, Korematsu Center Assistant Director, and Staff Attorney **Jessica Levin** presented a CLE on “Recognizing and Addressing Bias: A primer for Practitioners” to the law firm of Betts Patterson & Mines on December 9, 2020.

Steven Bender hosted the virtual 2021 AALS annual "dinner" meeting of the U.S. Latina/o/x law faculty with about 40 faculty participating.

Brooke Coleman moderated the AALS Section on Civil Procedure panel, *Integrating Critical Legal Perspectives*. Additionally, she will give the keynote address at the Penn Law Students for a Democratic Society series, *Disrupting Doctrine*, on January 28, 2021.

Mimi Samuel conducted a CLE on *Giving and Receiving Feedback on Writing* to lawyers and other professional staff from Columbia Legal Services.

Steve Tapia was the featured speaker for the King County Bar Association’s Intellectual Property Section monthly meeting on January 7th and spoke on the Supreme Court’s pending decision in the Oracle v. Google copyright case.

Other News

Robert Chang spoke with [Bloomberg Law](#) about how expanded diploma privilege could benefit legal education. The Korematsu Center's lawsuit against the Seattle Police Department is also mentioned in [The Seattle Times](#) coverage of legal costs.

Annette Clark spoke with the [ABA Journal](#) about the move back to the bar exam in states that previously offered diploma privilege.

Brooke Coleman was invited to serve as a member of the Western District Federal Bar Association’s 2021 Nominations Committee.

Margaret Fisher was honored in January of 2021 by the District and Municipal Court Judges Association. She was recognized for her passion, unconditional commitment and making an extraordinary difference in the world for 40 years of work with public legal education.

Charlotte Garden is quoted in [Bloomberg Law](#) about how the quasi union at Google can use their power creatively.

Abby Goldy is now the interim director of the Access to Justice Institute.

Jack Kirkwood was asked by the New York Attorney General's Office to provide a quote in support of its lawsuit against Facebook. The quote was included in a press release entitled "Prominent Leaders Voice Strong Support for AG James's Lawsuit Against Facebook's Illegal Monopoly." Of the nine other academics quoted, eight were from elite law schools. Jack was also invited to speak on buyer power at a European conference in February sponsored by the Global Competition Law Center.

Russell Powell has been elected to the Editorial Board of the Arab Law Quarterly.

Sara Rankin is quoted in [Real Change](#) about how permanent supportive housing could impact overall homelessness and in [The Seattle Times](#) about the impact of losing the city's Navigation Team.

Andrew Siegel appeared on [KOMO News](#) to talk about the impeachment of Donald Trump.

Dean Spade spoke with [Crosscut](#) about his new book on mutual aid and was also featured on the podcast [Getting Curious with Jonathan Van Ness](#). He was also featured in a [Washington Post](#) story about mutual aid and [Bloomberg CityLab](#). He also did Q&As about mutual aid with [The Progressive](#) and [The Nation](#).

Lynette Splinter was recently elected president of the Washington Financial Aid Association (WFAA). Previously, she held a position on the WFAA Executive Committee for several years as the organization's Graduate Sector representative.

Steve Tapia was interviewed by [KOMO TV](#) news on January 12th regarding the legal issues facing the web hosting service for the Parler's web site and app.

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

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