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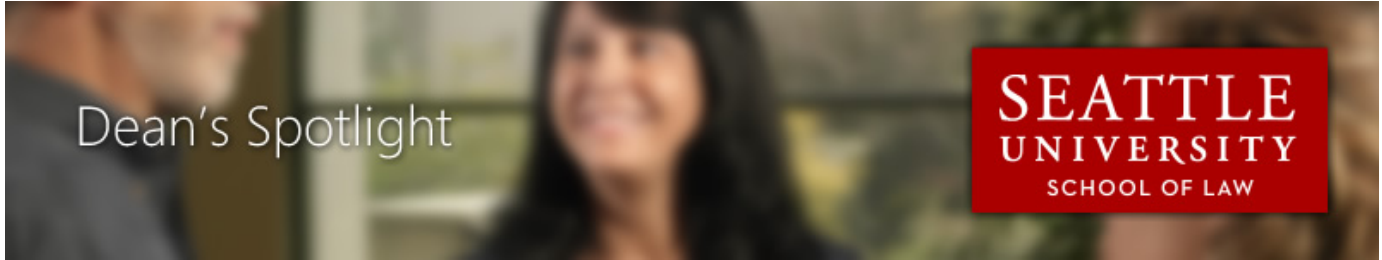
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June 7, 2021

Dear Colleagues,

Congratulations to Diane Dick, Steve Tapia, and Steve Bender on the successful completion of another round of our popular summer Immersion course (Lawyering for Entrepreneurship and Innovation), and to Steve Bender for putting together a fabulous conference this past Friday: the 4th Annual Innovation and Technology Law Conference with the theme of “Innovating for the Social Good.” This comes on the heels of another terrific Berle Symposium, organized and led by Chuck O’Kelley, on the topic of “Corporate Capitalism and the City of God.” Congrats, also, to Deirdre Bowen on receiving a substantial grant from King County to fund her innovative DV protection order program. Given the really challenging year we’ve just completed, I am so impressed that our faculty and staff are continuing to press ahead with their scholarly and work agendas this summer. Thanks to all!

Best regards,

Annette

Publications

Steve Bender’s LatCrit: From Critical Legal Theory to Academic Activism (with Francisco Valdes) was published by New York University Press in early June 2021. Additionally, West Academic published his textbook Critical Justice: Systemic Advocacy in Law and Society (with Francisco Valdes and Jennifer Hill) in late May 2021.

Ron Clark’s new book [Roadways to Justice: Reforming the Criminal Justice System](#) was just launched by Full Court Press, the publishing arm of Fastcase. America’s criminal justice system is grappling with multiple issues—police-officer involved deaths and violence; public corruption; the death penalty; racial, gender and sexual orientation bias; juvenile justice; disparate sentencing; ill effects of Three Strikes laws; mass incarceration; and more. The book tells the stories of how

Upcoming Events

Farewell for Fr. Steve

June 16th
3 p.m. – 4 p.m. PST
Via Zoom- link to come

Juneteenth Holiday Observed

June 18th
All Day
Offices Closed

Law School Holiday

July 5th
All Day
Offices Closed

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prosecutors in the King County Courthouse strove to do justice, end public corruption, and reform the criminal justice system. The book argues that the criminal justice system can be changed, and it offers inspiration, practical solutions, and roadmaps for how to reform that system. This volume is ideal for anyone interested in understanding how the criminal justice system really works, and it is an indispensable handbook for the new wave of lawyers, lawmakers, and others who want to improve it. The book features Seattle University Law School and members of its faculty, especially Dave Boerner who led the way to reform the system.

Madeline June Kass will have her chapter, “Climate, Sustainability, and Waste – European Union & United States Regulatory Approaches Compared,” published in *Interdisciplinary Approaches to Climate Change*. The book will be used as a textbook for the Interdisciplinary Approaches to Climate Change (IACC) Master’s Program at the Università Degli Studi Di Milano in Italy. Seattle University is one of several universities and international institutions collaborating on the IACC Program.

Presentations

Bob Chang has had many speaking engagements this past May on various online platforms. He presented to Microsoft’s Learn Culture Workstream and Diversity & Inclusion Council, “Understanding History to Become Better Allies Now,” and for Asian American Pacific Islander Heritage Month and to Morgan, Lewis & Bockius Global offices, he presented “An Overview of Asian American History and How It Impacts Us Today.” Bob was a panelist for “A Tale of Four Lawsuits (Though Focusing on One): Police Violence as a Public Health Problem” at University of Washington, Seattle campus and moderated, “Judges: Law and Order” at the Duke Asian Alumni Association Symposium. Last, but not least, he hosted “Celebrating the Korematsu Center’s 12th Anniversary on the Occasion of Lorraine Bannai’s Retirement” with the Seattle University School of Law community.

Ron Clark and his co-author Pat Muscat participated in a [Fastcase](#) webinar discussing their book [Visual Litigation: Visual Communication Strategies and Today’s Technology](#), which is published by Full Court Press. The webinar can be viewed on [Fastcase’s YouTube channel](#).

Maggie Chon presented “[Where Are You Really From?, A Legal and Historical Perspective on Anti-Asian Violence and Discrimination](#),” hosted by the King County Superior Court. She also will be speaking at the Law Librarian of Puget Sound Annual Conference in June.

Other News

Deirdre Bowen's DV clinic received a substantial grant of money from [King County](#).

Leonard Feldman was invited to become and is now a member of the ACLU-WA Legal Committee.

Jack Kirkwood submitted an amicus brief to the Ninth Circuit on behalf of ten antitrust professors, the great majority of the active antitrust professors in the Ninth Circuit. The Department of Justice and

the American Antitrust Institute also filed amicus briefs in support of the appellant. Jack's article, "The Fundamental Goal of Antitrust: Protecting Consumers, Not Increasing Efficiency," published in the Notre Dame Law Review in 2008, was quoted in the text of Senator Amy Klobuchar's new book, "Antitrust." Jack was also quoted by Yahoo Finance in an article on Amazon's proposed acquisition of MGM.

Kathleen Le Coze is a newly elected Board of Trustee member at her alma mater, Cornish College of the Arts.

Andrew Siegel was a guest on the [Lying Four](#) podcast to discuss a U.S. Supreme Court case about a disabled golfer's right to use a golf cart during the PGA tour.

Please submit items, via the new form to be included in the next Dean's Spotlight. [Kathleen Le Coze](#) in the Dean's Office.

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