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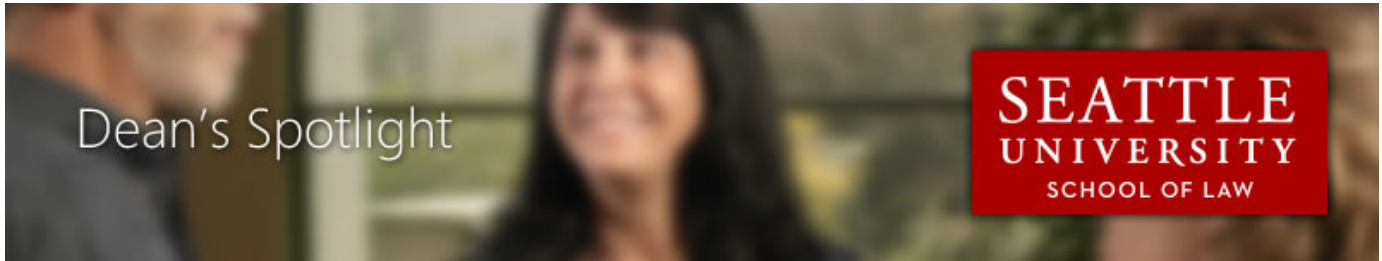
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Upcoming Events

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Dear Colleagues,

I hope everyone is enjoying some summer R&R, even though the weather has not been all that summer-like! It's clear from the many entries listed below that our faculty and staff are still hard at work despite the hopefully slower pace of the summer term. Thanks, particularly, to our colleagues who have been busy commenting publicly on the SCOTUS decisions that have come out recently: Deborah Ahrens, Deirdre Bowen, Charlotte Garden, Sital Kalantry, Kelli Rodriguez Currie, and Andy Siegel, among others. Yesterday's forum on the *Dobbs* decision (organized and moderated by Deborah, with Sital, Deirdre, and Andy) was well-attended, by students, faculty, staff, and others in the university community, and offered useful insights and perspectives on the Court's overturning of *Roe v. Wade*.

Warm regards,

Annette

Publications

Bob Boruchowitz co-authored with State Office of Public Defense Director Larry Jefferson an article in the [June Bar News](#), "Protecting the Independence of Public Defenders."

Brooke Coleman reviewed a scholarly critique of how data is gathered and used in the federal civil rulemaking process for [JOTWELL](#).

Amanda Elyse's article "'Checking In' to Build More Connection With and Between Students" was published in the most recent volume of [The Second Draft](#).

Madeline Kass was invited to write a book chapter comparing judicial protection of natural areas in the EU and US for a book entitled *Environmental Law Before the Courts: a US-EU Narrative*.

Chuck O'Kelley's recent article, "What Was the Dartmouth College Case Really About?" which appeared in *74 Vand. L. Rev. 1645-1726*

(2021), has been selected for reprinting in the Corporate Practice Commentator.

Presentations

Steven Bender Presented on racial equity measures as part of a symposium sponsored by the California Western Law Review at the National Interdisciplinary Cannabis Symposium in San Diego. He also organized and moderated the Seattle University School of Law SITIE Program's 5th Annual Innovation and Technology Law Conference, held virtually with panels on innovation in the legal industry, health care, and financial services. Finally, he presented on the Critical Justice textbook to the participants of the virtual/in-person Margaret Montoya Writing Retreat, held at the University of New Mexico.

Bob Boruchowitz introduced a panel at the Minority and Justice Commission's Symposium on Reparations for African Americans. Recent graduates Mynor Lopez and Carsen Nies, former Calhoun Family Fellows, provided introductory remarks. The 2020 Calhoun Family Fellows, whom Bob supervised, had recommended to the Commission that they have such a symposium. More than 200 people attended via Zoom and the Symposium was presented live on TVW and is available on TVW at <https://tvw.org/video/washington-state-minority-and-justice-commission-symposium-2022061002/>.

Maggie Chon is presenting at the 2022 Philosophical Methods in IP Colloquium, hosted by the Classic Liberal Institute at NYU School of Law. Her paper is entitled "Restoring IP's Default."

Amanda Elyse presented "Why and How to Use Inclusive Language and Practices" as a CLE for the CJA office at the Federal Public Defender, Western District of Washington.

Charlotte Garden traces the legal rules governing freedom of speech at work in an essay for [Economic Policy Institute](#). Also writing for [SCOTUSblog](#), Professor Garden says the U.S. Supreme Court's ruling in *Morgan v. Sundance* does not undo the court's previous pro-arbitration rulings.

Other News

Steven Bender appeared on KIRO news, the Jesse Jones segment, to discuss the legal and business pitfalls of a new exclusive right to sell arrangement being pitched to Washington homeowners.

Maggie Chon was quoted in a [Bloomberg news](#) story regarding the Supreme Court's possible consideration of a case involving the extraterritorial reach of US trademark law. Her recent article on this topic was cited in the cert. petition.

Charlotte Garden explained that companies often introduce improvements during union-organizing efforts as an intimidation tactic to [Bloomberg](#).

Sital Kalantry was a guest on [KUOW](#) to talk about the "new battleground" of interstate jurisdiction questions if *Roe v. Wade* is overturned on May 4th. She also appeared on [KING 5](#) to discuss what other areas of constitutional law could be affected by the potential overturning of *Roe v. Wade*. She was quoted in [Bloomberg](#), explaining that there are "no very clear answers" about aiding out-of-state abortions. She was interviewed by Quint on her work on comparative abortion laws in India and the United States (May 22, 2022), and she

was interviewed on King5 news about the future of same-sex rights (May 4, 2022).

Madeline Kass was invited to join the Scientific Committee of the European Journal of Consumer Law (EJCL). EJCL is a publication founded by Judge Paul Nihoul of the General Court of the European Court of Justice, and it publishes on topics at the intersection of environmental law and consumer law. And, after a two-year delay due to COVID, Professor Kass will be visiting at the the University of Dundee in Scotland in Fall 2022 as a Global Scholar. Under the grant, she will collaborate with Dundee law professors on comparative UK/US environmental law topics and give a series of lectures to environmental policy masters' students.

Jack Kirkwood's most recent amicus brief was just filed in the Second Circuit. Supporting the plaintiff's appeal in a patent-antitrust case, the brief was signed by 46 professors, including Herb Hovenkamp (Penn), Einer Elhauge (Harvard), Eleanor Fox (NYU), and Roger Noll (Stanford). Hovenkamp, the most cited scholar in antitrust, called it an "important" brief. Jack was also interviewed by The New York Times and The Puget Sound Business Journal.

Jana Matthews recently accepted a role as Co-Chair for the Public Service Section of the National Association for Law Placement (NALP) for the 2022-23 year.

Sara Rankin is featured in this [KREM \(Spokane\)](#) report on tiny homes, saying large congregate shelters are the least effective way to address homelessness.

Andrew Siegel appeared on [New Day NW](#) to discuss the ramifications of the leaked US Supreme Court draft ruling that could overturn abortion rights.

John Strait was quoted in [The Stranger](#), weighing in on a conflict regarding the consent decree governing Seattle police and the Seattle Human Rights Commission.

Colin Watrin defended his doctoral dissertation on May 27th, 2022, successfully completing the requirements for the Doctorate of Educational and Organizational Learning and Leadership program through Seattle University's College of Education.

Please stay tuned on further editions of the Dean's Spotlight.

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