Four TJSL Alumni Attend JAG School in Virginia

Four Thomas Jefferson School of Law alumni have been attending the Judge Advocate General's Legal Center and School (TJAGLCS) in Charlottesville, Virginia.

Sarah Green ’12 and Rachel Bauer ’10 are part of the Judge Advocate Officer Basic Course. It has three phases; the first two weeks are spent in-processing at Ft. Lee, Virginia. Meantime, Michael Flemming ’08 and Hallie Tremaine Balkin ’10 were recently at the JAG school in Charlottesville taking a short Fiscal Law course. Both Flemming and Balkin are Department of Defense civilian employees.

It was like a mini-reunion of TJSL alumni!

"It was great to see three other TJSL alumni here at TJAGLCS," said Sarah Green. "It is such a prestigious place to be able to attend, whether for a short course, or for the Judge Advocate Officer Basic Course. I thought it was also a perfect example of how TJSL alumni are excelling after graduation, and that some are also doing their part to serve our country, either as civilians or service members!"

The second phase of Green and Bauer’s training is at TJAGLCS in Charlottesville. They will be there from February 22 - May 2 and it is basically the military law school phase. They participate in Physical Training (Army workouts) three days a week in the mornings from 6:30-7:30 a.m. and then spend five days a week in the classroom learning about military law. The days are usually from around 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m. and cover topics like Administrative Law, Fiscal Law, Criminal Law, International and Operational Law, among others.

The last phase is called the Direct Commissionee Course (DCC) and takes place from May 3 - June 14 at Ft. Benning, GA. That phase focuses mostly on the basic soldier type skills that an officer should have- like land navigation (navigating using a map and compass), marksmanship (on a handgun as well as rifle) and tactical operations in the field.

Bauer will be a Reservist Judge Advocate. Once training finishes, she will work in Trial Defense Services with her Reserves unit in Virginia. This means she will be a Defense Attorney within the Reserve component of the U.S. Army, for one weekend a month and two weeks a year.

Green is an Active Duty Judge Advocate, so once training finishes, she and her husband will be moving to Fort Riley, Kansas. She will work in the Office of the Staff Judge Advocate for the 1st Infantry Division, where she’ll be stationed for the next couple of years.

“It’s been an amazing few weeks so far- we’re very busy but loving every minute of it,” says Green. “We were recently told this past week that for every seat in our class, there were 14 applicants. It’s a huge accomplishment for us to have been selected for the JAG Corps and we are both really proud and honored to have the opportunity to be here.”
New Additions to the walls of TJS\L

“I am pleased to announce that two installations have occurred on the first floor,” said Dean Rudy Hasl on March 28 when telling the faculty and staff about the new art and a plaque that now hangs on the walls of Thomas Jefferson School of Law.

“The first is in the lobby area and consists of the LEED Gold plaque, affirming our having satisfied the requirements for the certification,” said Dean Hasl. “The second is in the admissions/alumni relations/development area, behind the reception desk. This is a collage prepared by Joanne Williams, who created the triptych on the first floor in the future café area.”

According to artist Joanne Williams, “The words included in the piece were composed by Dean Hasl and members of the faculty to represent the TJS\L experience.”

“It’s not only beautiful it’s also very relevant,” said Dean Hasl when describing the new art.

A donor plaque is being prepared, indicating the donors of the gifts that supported the acquisition of the artwork. “I encourage all staff and faculty to take a look at the installations,” said Dean Hasl.
Admissions Phone– A–Thon

TJSL students interested in helping law school applicants learn more about TJSL picked up the phone on March 21 for the first ever Admissions Phone–A–Thon.

“The Admissions suite was buzzing with callers reaching out to newly admitted students,” said Tim Spearman, Director of Admissions. “The Admissions team is thankful for the students who are volunteering to help with this recruiting effort.”

The purpose of the Admissions Phone–A–Thon is to allow current students to make phone calls to incoming students and give them a warm welcome and answer questions about the student experience at TJSL.

“I think the phone-a-thon is a wonderful way to connect with new students,” said Jay Curatalo 2L. “It wasn’t so long ago that I myself was full of questions and nervous about what being a law school student entailed. It’s a chance for me to give back to the school and help a new colleague all at once.”

“I volunteered for the Admissions Phone-A-Thon because I wanted to tell prospective students about all the great things TJSL has to offer,” said Ricardo Elorza 2L. “I remember I was in their shoes exactly one year ago, having lots of questions about law school. I think it is a nice idea to have students call prospective students. It builds a great connection.”

The phone lines will be open from now until Friday, April 5, during the hours of 12 – 2 p.m. and 5 -7 p.m.

“Last year, as a first year student, I had a lot of questions about what to expect as a 1L - the classes, the organizations and life in San Diego so I believe that a phone-a-thon is a great opportunity to reach out to admitted students who may have these same questions,” said Marisol Gonzalez 2L. “Additionally, I feel that the Phone-A-Thon showcases the support available for students at TJ.”

In exchange for their time, each volunteer will receive a free TJSL t-shirt and be served pizza.

“We have 20 students signed up to help make calls over the next two weeks,” said Spearman. “But we, of course, are looking to add a few more volunteers to the list.”

If you are interested in sharing your positive law school experience, please email admissions@tjsl.edu and include your full name, phone number and availability. Admissions will contact you to share more details.
Admitted Students Enjoy Open House Weekend at TJSL

“We’re so excited you’re here,” Justin Cruz, TJSL’s Assistant Admissions Director told the students visiting the law school for two days of open house for admitted students on March 22-23. “One thing we are very proud of is the TJSL family feeling and we want you to be part of the family.”

The students got to tour the new TJSL campus on Friday as part of a weekend of exciting activities to help them to get to know the law school and find out if it’s a good fit for them.

“I love it,” said Andréa Simmons, a University of Utah graduate. “I moved to San Diego with the intent of coming to Thomas Jefferson.” Simmons plans to study sports and entertainment law, and TJSL’s excellent program in this area is what drew her to the law school.

Simmons was part of a tour led by 2L Michelle Brown, a very enthusiastic guide, who has mastered the art of walking backwards while talking. Brown, who obviously enjoys talking about her law school, gave a very realistic picture of what student life is like at TJSL.

“It’s great,” said Germond Patton, who is originally from Chicago and is now finishing up at San Diego State University. He says he “is really happy to have been admitted to TJSL.” Patton is interested in practicing criminal law, and Brown made sure he knew about TJSL’s Criminal Law Fellowship Program.

Patrick Hirsch, who graduated with a degree in politics from Pomona College, was not only impressed with the outside spaces of the law school but with the technical wizardry. “There’s a lot of integrated technology,” he said. “The school is so modern.”

Tricia Frost, who went to Cal Poly Pomona, agrees. “It’s a beautiful campus – so modern,” she said. “It’s much more tech savvy than I thought it would be.” She says her experience this weekend is definitely pushing her toward going to TJSL.

Jorge Valcarcel, who went to Long Beach State, was impressed by all the “positivity” he experienced on the TJSL campus. He’s a Coast Guard veteran and an able bodied seaman from his experience with the Merchant Marine. Not surprisingly, he wants to specialize in Maritime Law.

After the tour, the students got a true taste of law school by sitting in on Professor Steve Semeraro’s Property I class.

“It was really fascinating,” said Germond Patton. “I could really understand it!”

The students got to participate in daylong activities on Saturday to help them really get to know what the TJSL experience is all about.
TJSL Deepens Ties to Russia by Hosting Delegation of IP Attorneys and Academics

Thomas Jefferson School of Law continues to expand its academic and professional ties to Russia and other nations of the former Soviet Union, by playing host to a delegation from those nations for an information session and reception.

On March 27, Associate Dean William Byrnes and Professor Jeff Slattery, along with TJSL student Bethany Wojtanowicz 3L and event co-organizer Lacy J Lodes ’08, addressed more than 15 Intellectual Property (IP) attorneys and academics from the former Soviet Union. The attorneys are traveling with the U.S. Department of Commerce - International Trade Administration through SABIT (Special American Business Internship Training) and came to Thomas Jefferson School of Law to participate in a Program titled Intellectual Property Rights: Technology Commercialization.

Associate Dean for Graduate & Distance Education Programs William Byrnes discussed the benefits of doing business and studying law in San Diego and stated that “California is open for business.” Dean Byrnes went on to explain that San Diego County is number one in the United States for government contracting and is highly praised for its development in IP research and development.

By expanding its academic and professional ties with Russia there is more opportunity for more Russian students to come to TJSL to study both IP law and different areas of U.S. law.

Dean Byrnes went on to discuss benefits that Russian students would gain by studying in San Diego and particularly at Thomas Jefferson School of Law.

“We have a good program here,” said Dean Byrnes. “Students can come here to participate in our one-year program to study law and learn the language. TJSL already has a lot of internationally focused programs. TJSL has formed ties with Russia right now at both Moscow State University and Siberia Federal University.” Dean Byrnes was referring to existing programs that have brought Russian students to TJSL for several years.

In his closing remarks, Dean Byrnes told the audience that he is proud of TJSL’s Distance Education Program, of which he is the director. “We use video conferencing and web conferencing to bring students and instructors from all over the world into one classroom by using TJSL’s incredible technology, “said Dean Byrnes. “I have 300 grad students every year that have never been to San Diego because of our Distance Education Program.”

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Professor Jeff Slattery told the group how TJSL law students become acquainted with Intellectual Property law literally on their first day — during orientation — a practice that “makes TJSL different from every other law school.” By the time they reach their 2L year, “they are already immersed in IP law,” according to Professor Slattery. This includes a new summer IP Practicum — a mock law firm that allows the students to work on IP issues during the summer.

He also outlined the different clinical programs TJSL offers that allow students interested in IP law to get hands-on experience and development their practice skills. These include the Patent and Trademark Clinics, as well as the Art and Entertainment Law Project that is part of TJSL’s Small Business Law Center. Professor Slattery also spoke of the many excellent externship opportunities offered by the law school as well as the Center for Solo Practitioners, an incubator program for alumni to help them set up their own law firms.

Alumna Lacy J Lodes ’08 did a fascinating presentation on everything that her degree from TJSL has allowed her to do in the intellectual property field, including working in sports, entertainment and celebrity law issues.

One area that Lodes discussed at length is patent protection when her U.S. clients market their products in foreign countries and how the laws differ from nation to nation.

“In one case we had to work with 36 different countries,” Lodes explained. “You can have one product and 36 different problems because the laws are so different.”

Bethany Wojtanowicz told the visiting attorneys of her great experiences being an Intellectual Property Fellow at TJSL.

“I came to TJSL for the IP program,” she said. “And it has been a really positive experience.”

“The event was truly captivating,” said TJSL Professor Steve Semeraro, who was the architect of TJSL’s Patent and Trademark Clinic programs. “Those who haven’t seen William Byrnes and Jeff Slattery make the case for TJSL’s programs are really missing something.”

The event was followed by a reception on the 8th floor.
Few countries in the world have lately attracted more attention and created as much anxiety as North Korea. There has been nuclear saber-rattling and threats of a “rain of bullets” on South Korea in the news recently – a complex and ominous situation.

Adjunct Professor Jason Fiske, TJSL’s Program Director of Online Graduate Programs, was one of the guest panelists at an important seminar in Washington, D.C. on February 26, “The Korean Peninsula in the 21st Century.” It was part of the U.S.-Japan Research Institute’s USJI Week Conference.

Professor Fiske’s panel was moderated by Maji Rhee, a professor at Waseda University in Japan and a Graduate of TJSL’s International Taxation and Financial Services LL.M. program. Professor Rhee is also currently enrolled in TJSL’s J.S.D. (Doctor of the Science of Law) Program.

In his presentation, Professor Fiske reported that “South Korea has increasingly accepted foreign investment in the 21st century. In 2011, Korea received $32 billion of Foreign Direct Investment (FDI), which proves that there is a climate of increased acceptance of foreign investment by both the private sector and the government. The 12th largest economy in the world attracts U.S. investors, but what’s more important is it ranks eighth in the ease of doing business (it was 23rd in 2009). It also ranks first in broadband index, which has led to the trade agreement with the U.S. Now, 80% of U.S. exports of industrial products will be duty free. New laws protect property rights and create investment incentives to attract more FDI. Public-private partnerships are now being looked into, which suggests a further strengthening of South Korea’s pro-FDI attitude.”

“Research institutes such as the USJI working collaboratively with education institutions such as Waseda University and Thomas Jefferson School of Law can go a long way in developing creative ideas and innovative strategies to increase economic inter-dependence in the Korean peninsula which is a potential pathway to political stabilization. It was an honor to be a part of that process,” said Professor Fiske.

International transfer pricing has become one of the foremost important themes in corporate taxation, according to Dr. Salis. Multinational firms can shift income from high-tax countries to low-tax countries either by financing affiliates or controlling the prices that are used for intra-firm goods and services.

Dr. Salis delivered a talk that particularly focused on topics within transfer pricing and economic analysis. His most recent research into quantitative business analysis and statistical methods integrating tax differentials in transfer pricing policy and comparability analysis will also be introduced. The presentation was an excellent opportunity for both academics and practitioners in the field of international corporate taxation to hear from an expert.

About George Salis:

Dr. George L. Salis is an economist and lawyer, specializing in the area of international economic law; principally in the areas of international trade, taxation and transfer pricing. Since 2007, he has been an adjunct professor in the LL.M. program in International Tax & Financial Services, at the TJSL, where he teaches international taxation and financial services, as well as transfer pricing courses. He also presently serves as Principal Senior, of Tax Compliance at Vertex, one of the largest tax software development companies in the world.
LSRJ’s 2nd Annual ProFaith/ProChoice Event

The 2nd Annual ProFaith/ProChoice Event was an enlightened discussion on often controversial issues surrounding sexuality, reproductive freedom and abortion. It was presented by TJSJ’s Law Students for Reproductive Justice (LSRJ) on March 20, and was moderated by Professor Joy Delman.

The guest speakers were from three different ideological backgrounds; Rabbi Scott Meltzer, a Lecturer on Religious Studies at San Diego State University; Reverend Katherine Schofield, who is the director of Spirituality and Sexuality at the University of Southern California; and Karma Lekshe Tsomo, Associate Professor in the Department of Theology & Religious Studies at the University of San Diego, who teaches Buddhist Faith and Practice.

All of the speakers stressed that they weren’t speaking on behalf of their entire religion or affiliations, but all of them spoke about general traditions within their faiths and shared personal beliefs as well.

Asked what their faiths and religions say about reproductive freedom, Rabbi Meltzer said, “Individuals within our tradition have the right to make their own decisions. No entity can command another in sexuality or reproduction.”

Reverend Schofield, an ordained United Church of Christ minister, said that she “comes from a more liberal Christian background that favors choice. If people don’t have the freedom, we can’t live the Christian life.”

Karma Lekshe Tsomo said that, “The Buddha’s teachings value life and there is a monastic code against taking the life of a fetus. At the same time, people are responsible for their own decisions and the consequences that go along with them.” She stressed that these consequences are not “just a one-life decision,” but also have karmic consequences in future lives in Buddhist belief.

On the question of contraception, Reverend Schofield feels that it “allows people to be responsible for any life they bring into the world,” while Tsomo says there is no prohibition on contraception “in early Buddhist tenets and texts.” Rabbi Meltzer said that “it’s important to separate contraception from sexuality,” and he “has no problem with sexuality that is not for reproduction. We have a long tradition of celebrating a lifetime of loving sexuality. Sexuality is a sacred part of the human experience.”

Professor Delman asked the speakers about their positions on abortion within the context of their religious and spiritual traditions.

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Tsomo said, “It’s the people’s own choice.” In Buddhism, she said, “the status of the fetus is ambiguous,” however, “the taking of a life could be a non-virtuous action.” Reverend Schofield feels that, “abortion is a difficult situation all around. It’s not celebrated in anyone’s tradition, as far as I know.” She feels that “some circumstances do call for abortion.” Rabbi Meltzer asked the question: “Is abortion murder? Science doesn’t have a clear voice on that. In Jewish tradition, life does not begin at conception. The fetus is part of the mother’s body and in some cases you are obligated to have an abortion. However Judaism doesn’t fit clearly into any category. We live by the First Amendment and don’t believe in forcing religious beliefs on anyone.”

On the subject of same-sex marriage, Reverend Schofield said she has “no issue with same sex-couples being different” than heterosexual couples. Tsomo said that “marriage is male-female in Buddhist tradition – there is a bias.” But in her own opinion, “there should be no discrimination in same- sex marriage.” Rabbi Meltzer said, “I don’t understand why our country cares about the gender of people who wish to get married.”

“I found the discussion very enlightening,” said Meghan Powell 3L, Co-President of LSRJ. “It was wonderful to hear the different perspectives of three very prominent religions.”

“I thought the panel discussion about reproductive justice and religion was fascinating,” said Development and Alumni Relations Coordinator Stephanie Marquez, who attended the event. “Although I don’t come from a religious background of any of the panelists, I felt that their viewpoints were very insightful. What I found most thought provoking was how undefined the concept of when life really begins is and if that is how all faiths and the justice system determine how they make judgments and conclusions about these issues, then is it inevitable that as long as that definition remains undefined then we will continue to have differing views about abortion, contraception, sexuality and reproduction.”

“I think it’s amazing that we were able to bring these people from such different ideological backgrounds together to talk about such sensitive topics,” said Cris Kinsella 2L LSRJ Secretary. “The conversation was great and I think everyone in the room walked away with something they didn’t know before.”

“This year’s Pro-Faith, Pro-Choice Panel discussion surpassed my expectations in respect to the material discussed, and attendance,” said Amy Louttit 3L Event Chair of LSRJ. “Being able to have these folks at the table today was a valuable experience for me personally. I grew up Catholic, but my mom did not want me to confirm my faith if it was going to be forced and I never did subscribe to any religion after that. Today allowed me to hear from three religions I had not experienced growing up in the Deep South. I was not aware that even within devout religions entrenched in traditions there was this much wiggle room for interpretations. It was quite inspirational!”
TJSL Student Organizations Unite in Support of Educating Girls

A 2 1/2 minute movie trailer has brought several TJSL student organizations together in a collaborative effort to help raise awareness and support for the education of young women around the world. “Girl Rising” is scheduled for a special showing at the La Jolla 12 on Thursday, April 18 at 7:30pm.

But to be able to have this special screening, 81 tickets must be sold before the April 4 deadline. TJSL students may count this event towards their Certificate of Global Legal Studies.

The 10x10 independent film, created by some former ABC News Journalists along with Academy Award nominee Richard Robbins, showcases the stories of nine girls from nine different countries demonstrating the strength of the human spirit and the power of education to change our world.

According to the ABA, Women received 47.3% of the J.D.’s awarded from ABA schools for the 2011-2012 academic year. “As law students, we understand that while women in our country continue to make strides by entering the legal profession, there are younger generations of girls in other parts of the world like Malala Yousafzai of Pakistan, who have to overcome unimaginable challenges just to obtain a basic education,” said La Raza Secretary Samantha Morales 3L.

In October 2012, the Taliban shot 15-year-old Yousafzai in the face and neck simply because she maintained a blog where she voiced her support for educating girls like herself.

“Education is the key to female empowerment and continuing to overcome invisible boundaries created by outdated societal expectations around the world. It gives women the necessary tools to build confidence in themselves to become leaders and influence change,” said Native American Law Students Association Treasurer Khouloud Elmasri 2L.

Risa Farrell, President of UCSD’s International Resource Committee initiated this event. “Our sisters’ voices must be heard, so I’m passionate about bringing ‘Girl Rising’ here to San Diego so everyone can join with them to bring change to the world,” said Farrell.

“Educatongirls is quite possibly the best investment society can make when attempting to alleviate issues of global poverty, hunger, crime, and inequality. Girls are more than just students; they're powerful forces of change for their families, communities, and nations,” Farrell added.

“PILF has co-sponsored this event to help teach the San Diego community about the importance and strength of education. This film provides an empathetic view into the severe absence of education among young women throughout the world. The lack of education has forced these young women into positions of marriage, slavery and hopelessness,” said PILF President Kelly Hayes 3L.

Among the TJSL Student Organizations who have joined UCSD’s International Rescue Committee to co-sponsor this movie showing are the Women’s Law Association, Law Students for Reproductive Justice, La Raza Law Students Association, Public Interest Law Foundation, Immigration Law Society, Native American Law Students Association and Phi Alpha Delta.

“Social change requires collaborative efforts, therefore, the more united people are the bigger the influence and the more likely the message will spread,” added Elmasri.

View the trailer $10 Tickets at: http://gathr.us/screening/1717

For more on the 10x10 “Girl Rising” campaign visit: http://girlrising.com/the-movement/#what-is-10x1
TJSLers Meet FTC Chair Edith Ramirez at Latinas in the Law

TJSL students and faculty attended an inspiring Q & A session at USD on March 21 with the recently appointed chairperson of the Federal Trade Commission, Edith Ramirez.

The event was sponsored by Latinas in the Law, an unaffiliated association consisting primarily of Latina judges and lawyers in San Diego whose purpose is to provide support and mentorship to each other and to law students.

Professor Herrera, Alumna Rosa Perez ’11 and Olga Gonzalez 3L were in attendance.

Chairwoman Ramirez graduated cum laude from Harvard Law School in 1992 and magna cum laude from Harvard University in 1989 with a AB in History. She served on law review with President Obama and served as the Director of Latino Outreach in California for the 2008 Obama Campaign. Before joining the FTC in 2010, she clerked for the Ninth Circuit United States Court of Appeals from 1992-1993 and has extensive appellate litigation experience. She served as an associate at Gibson Dunn & Grutcher, LLP and as partner for Quinn Emanuel Urquhart & Sullivan, LLP.

At the FTC, Ramirez deals with issues that touch the economic life of every American. It was created in 1914 to prevent anti-competitive or deceptive business practices that are unfair to consumers. It is the only federal agency with both consumer protection and competition jurisdiction, and its work is performed by the Bureaus of Consumer Protection, Competition, and Economics.

Professor Herrera reported that “Chairwoman Ramirez discussed the role of ‘serendipity’ and ‘confronting fear’ as important factors in reaching her current position. She took a leave of absence from her role as partner at one of the top litigation firms in the country in order to work on Mr. Obama’s campaign in 2007. She encouraged the audience to take advantage of the opportunities presented to them even when they are afraid. She discussed her own fear about leaving such a secure position to follow her belief that her law school classmate was what our country needed.”

“It was a great experience to listen to Ms. Ramirez’ story”, shared Perez. “As a Latina, Chairwoman Ramirez gives me hope that I can someday have a successful career like hers. She was very nice and took the time to speak to us after the event. Overall, it was a great event and an awesome networking experience.”

Volunteer Jurors needed for the San Diego Inn of Court

Seize this opportunity to meet and network with San Diego lawyers and judges and learn more about the art of trial advocacy! Volunteers are needed for the evening of April 4 and April 9. Light refreshment provided. Spaces are limited. Please e-mail Lilys McCoy if you are interested: Lmccoy@tjsl.edu.
The MPRE is April 6! Are you ready?

To help you study for the MPRE, TJSI will hold two FREE workshops hosted by BARBRI on Monday, April 1 from 5:30 - 8 p.m. in Room 229 and Themis on Tuesday, April 2 from 6 - 9 p.m. in Room 227.

**BARBRI:** You will receive a lecture, workbook and StudySmart Software. You must enroll online for BARBRI's MPRE course by logging into your account and enrolling in the MPRE course.

**Themis:** Materials will be provided. This will be an active workshop ending with a simulated MPRE exam. Sign on to Themis and enroll in the MPRE program before the workshop so that you will have an introduction to the substantive rules of the ABA Model Rules.

For more information, contact Leah M. Christensen Assistant Dean of Academic Success and Bar Preparation and Associate Professor of Law, at lchristensen@tjsl.edu.

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An Announcement for 3L Bar Takers

3L Bar Takers **MUST** attend the Academic Success and Bar Prep Bar Exam Orientation being held on **Wednesday, April 10,** from 5:30 - 7:30 p.m. in Room 227.

This is a mandatory forum to provide Bar Takers with important information about Bar Preparation. The session will answer questions about Bar Prep Programs, Bar Statistics and Student Loans.

There will be candid Assessments of Bar Programs such as Barbri, Bar Secrets, Flemings, Themis and BarMax. What are the costs, strengths and weaknesses? When does Bar Prep begin? What must be completed before the bar exam? What are the statistics related to TJSI students and how they performed on the Bar Exam related to the prep program they took? Bar Study Loans: Which programs are eligible? How much can you get?

The goal is not to "push" any one program over the other but rather to educate students about all options.

For more information, contact Leah M. Christensen Assistant Dean of Academic Success and Bar Preparation and Associate Professor of Law, at lchristensen@tjsl.edu.
Caster Semenya, an 18-year-old South African runner, should have been elated after her gold medal win in the 800 meter 2009 World Championships. Instead of being able to celebrate her historic accomplishment, this shy and sheltered young woman was confronted with international headlines proclaiming that she was a "woman...and a man." Ms. Semenya was forced to withdraw from athletic competitions until she could satisfy the Olympic judges that she was a female. Last summer, she returned to compete at the London Olympics and captured the silver medal.

This presentation will explain why Ms. Semenya, and millions of people with similar conditions—which is approximately 2% of the population—may have their gender challenged. Gender questions also occur outside of the athletic arena; people have been asked to pass a gender test to prove their right to marry, obtain identity documents and live in or use single sex facilities. This talk will explore some of the intriguing legal, medical, and societal issues that arise when we establish rules to determine a person's sex.

For more information, contact: Stephanie Marquez at alumni@tjsl.edu or 619-961-4263

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**A Message from Bonnie Broberg, Associate Director, Corporate Sponsorships with The San Diego Opera:**

**A Special Offer to TJSL Students from The San Diego Opera - $10 Tickets!**

We are delighted to let you know that, because of the generosity of the late Esther Burnham - opera lover and supporter, we are able to offer **Thomas Jefferson School of Law students $10 tickets to any performance of Murder in the Cathedral**, which is opened this Saturday at San Diego Opera.

About Murder in the Cathedral, by Ildebrando Pizzetti: Starring the great Italian Bass Ferruccio Furlanetto, *Murder in the Cathedral* explores politics and the church and their impact on the last few months of the life of Archbishop Thomas Becket. This promises to be the most haunting and unforgettable opera of the season. **Opera Performances:** Tuesday, April 2 at 7 p.m., Friday, April 5 at 7 p.m. and Sunday, April 7 at 2 p.m.

[Click here to find out more and purchase tickets!](#)
TJSL Professor Susan Bisom-Rapp has been highly active and productive during her sabbatical from the law school. An internationally recognized scholar on comparative workplace law, she recently spent time in both Italy and England, lecturing and adding to her impressive body of scholarship in this field.

Professor Bisom-Rapp began her latest journey in Modena, Italy, where every year since 2003, the Marco Biagi Foundation has hosted an international conference devoted to international and comparative employment and labor relations. Professor Susan Bisom-Rapp has attended the event annually since 2007.

This year’s conference, “The Transnational Dimension of Labor Relations: A New Order in the Making?,” brought together scholars from Europe, Africa and the Americas, who analyzed the challenges of regulating work, promoting labor standards and addressing increasing economic inequality in the wake of the global economic crisis. Particular attention was given to new forms of transnational collective bargaining, emerging hard and soft law techniques to influence the conduct of transnational corporations, the difficulty of establishing fair conditions of work for migrants and the lack of a clear hierarchy of law-making authority at the international level. Participants addressed these issues from a number of disciplines including law, industrial relations, economics and human resource management.

Professor Bisom-Rapp served as the discussant for the second plenary panel, weaving together the intersecting themes of four papers.

“This task was a challenge,” she said, “since the papers were on four very different subjects.”

One paper was on “Who Defines the Meaning of Human Rights at Work.” Another concerned the influence on corporate conduct of the country where a transnational corporation locates. A third covered international administrative law, which is the law covering employees who work for international organizations like the International Labour Organization and the International Monetary Fund. The final paper was a proposal to set up a transnational labor inspectorate, hosted by the ILO, that would train and certify inspectors who monitor factories in the supply chains of transnational corporations.

“Believe it or not,” said Professor Bisom-Rapp, “there were common themes in those four manuscripts, including: Who makes the law of the workplace in a globalized world?; What is the law of the workplace in a globalized world?; and Who decides the meaning of law in the global workplace when meaning is contested?”

Part of the University of Modena and Reggio Emilia, Italy, the Marco Biagi Foundation is also home to the International Doctoral Research School in Labour Relations, which promotes Ph.D. work that is comparative and interdisciplinary. To advance the work of its own students, and establish links with Ph.D. and post-doctoral students around the world, the Foundation launched its Young Scholars’ Workshop last year. Professor Bisom-Rapp helped organize the event this year and last.

“This year, we heard and commented on papers from Ph.D. students from Norway, Italy, Spain, South Africa, Austria, Estonia and Hungary,” she said. “The chance to provide feedback from an outsider’s perspective – that of an American law professor – was fun for me and, I hope, helpful for them. For me, this session has become a highlight of the annual conference.”

Next, Professor Bisom-Rapp was a special guest lecturer at the University of Milan’s Doctoral Program in Labour Law. The Doctoral Program is housed within the Faculty of Jurisprudence, the university’s law school. Hosted by Professor Maria Teresa Carinsi, who is the curriculum coordinator for the Ph.D. in Labour Law, and Dr. Francesca Marinelli, a researcher in labour law, Professor Bisom-Rapp’s two-hour lecture was part of the school’s Comparative Labour Law course.

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“The course covers the history and purpose of comparative law, and focuses on workplace law in five countries,” said Professor Bisom-Rapp. “Students learn about two major areas of workplace law: anti-discrimination law and the law of unfair dismissal,” she added. The countries covered are Italy, Germany, France, the United States and the United Kingdom. Almost all of the lectures are given in English and the students are taught how to make presentations in English, the common language used by international lawyers, academics and international businesspeople.

Professor Bisom-Rapp was asked to lecture on anti-discrimination law in the U.S. and U.K because of her expertise in the area. The title of her lecture was “Anti-Discrimination Law in Common Law Countries: The U.S. and Great Britain and the Insights of Social Science.” “My background made it relatively easy to put together this lecture,” said Professor Bisom-Rapp. “My co-authored casebook on comparative employment law, The Global Workplace (2d edition, Kluwer Law International, 2012), contains chapters on both countries that I have taught from many times. I have also just completed the third article in a series of four articles that compare age discrimination law and the conditions facing older workers in the U.S. and U.K. That work is part of my collaboration with Professor Malcolm Sargeant (Middlesex University Business School, London, U.K.). I have lectured in Italy on U.S. anti-discrimination law twice before at the University of Modena’s Marco Biagi Foundation.”

“The lecture had three goals,” noted Professor Bisom-Rapp. “First, I wanted to place two national systems side-by-side to reveal similarities and differences in the legal approach to anti-discrimination law. Second, I explained the social and political context in each country so that students would understand why we see these similarities and differences in the law. Finally, I identified social trends, evidentiary problems and social phenomenon, such as stereotyping and implicit bias, that operate across national borders and limit the law’s effectiveness.”

“But before pursuing these three goals, I spent time with the class discussing an important question: What do we mean by equality? This question is crucial because the purpose of anti-discrimination law is to advance equality in society. Yet there are at least three approaches to achieving equality – formal equality, which is an approach where universal laws are applied equally to everyone; substantive equality, where the focus is the goals or outcomes to be obtained and programs, like affirmative action, account for the effects of economic, social and cultural discrimination; and social equality, which aims to eliminate major disparities in material well-being, resources and political and social power. Anti-discrimination law in both the U.S. and the U.K relies mostly on the first approach to equality and a little bit on the second. Needless to say, you do not find either country employing the third approach.”

The third leg of Professor Bisom-Rapp’s trip was spent in London with Professor Malcolm Sargeant of Middlesex University Business School, where she and Professor Sargeant are beginning to scope out their latest project on gender discrimination along the course of life: how it accumulates over time and how it disadvantages women not only as workers but as retirees. Professors Bisom-Rapp and Sargeant are frequent collaborators in both research and scholarly publications. A key to their analysis will be highlighting the way law and policy contribute to this problem - from lack of state support for child care to pay discrimination to discrimination against part time workers and those who take time off from paid work. The piece will also tackle the way low income, race and ethnicity affect the vulnerability of women workers throughout and after their working lives.

“Right now we are going through U.K. government reports that Malcolm has collected,” said Professor Bisom-Rapp. “I am beginning to search online for the U.S. equivalents. This is an intensive ‘roll up your sleeves’ week of work for us. It is the kind of thing best done when we are in the same place.”

Professor Bisom-Rapp noted that she is very grateful to TJSL for approving her sabbatical project plans, which involved work done outside of U.S. borders. “The best comparative law work comes from collaboration with colleagues from other countries,” she said. “This experience has helped to make me a better scholar and a better teacher, too.”
Professor Delman Discusses Sports Injury Issues at AAN Annual Conference

TJSL Professor Joy Delman brought her expertise on medical legal issues to the 65th Annual Meeting of the American Academy of Neurology (AAN) on Sunday, March 17. Professor Delman participated in a patient safety colloquium and spoke on Current Trends in Neurology Malpractice Litigation: Concussions and Traumatic Brain Injury.

The AAN, established in 1948, is an international professional association of more than 26,000 neurologists and neuroscience professionals dedicated to promoting the highest quality patient-centered neurologic care. The AAN Annual Meeting is the world’s most important annual event for neurologists and neuroscience professionals and about 12,000 of them attended this year’s meeting at the San Diego Convention Center from March 16 – 23.

Asked by the AAN to speak at the meeting, Professor Delman talked to the hundreds of attendees in the audience about medical and legal issues in concussion assessment and management. She specifically addressed: current NFL litigation at the professional sports level for chronic and long-term brain injury while playing; injuries in school sports and the lawsuits against the NCAA; and grave concerns about injuries in contact youth sports. She also reviewed state laws requiring medical releases for youth athletes to return to play following a concussion or sub-concussive event.

“The public lack of awareness of the severe consequences of concussions, particularly in children, poses a dire risk in youth sports,” explained Professor Delman. “Parents, coaches, and primary care physicians need to understand and appreciate these risks, and the culture of youth contact sports may have to change.”

Professor Delman’s research into this topic has escalated since she moderated a panel discussion on sports injury issues at the “Gladiators in the 21st Century: Violence and Injuries in Athletics” conference hosted last November by TJSL’s Center for Sports Law and Policy.
LEEP Program Director Carla McEwen Has Productive Visit to Brazil

Dr. Carla McEwen, TJSL’s director of the LEEP Program (Legal Education and Exchange) has completed a very successful trip to Brazil to forge new alliances between Thomas Jefferson School of Law and legal organizations in more areas of Brazil.

TJSL now has associations with the bar associations in Sao Paulo and Para States, as well with Magistrates Institutions in Sao Paulo, Brasilia, Maranhao. This will result in more Brazilian attorneys coming to TJSL for the very successful LEEP Program over the coming months and years.

“After two years of working, and ultimately, gaining the highest approval from Sao Paulo institutions, we have reached other Brazilian states and are one step closer to our ultimate goal of globalization,” said Dr. McEwen.

During her time in Brazil, Dr. McEwen attended a gala event in Brasilia, the 2013 Innovare Institute premiere.

The Innovare Institute is operated by the biggest communication chain in Brazil, Rede Globo (World Network). Once a year, the Institute presents an award to the best initiative/thesis by an individual from the judicial system, a judge, prosecutor or an attorney. It is the “Oscar” of the judicial field in Brazil.

Dr. McEwen was invited to the premiere by former Brazilian Supreme Court Chief Justice Carlos Ayres Britto, the recently appointed president of Innovare, an event that attracts the top people in Brazil’s judiciary. Justice Britto was an honored guest at TJSL’s recent Dedication Ceremony, along with U.S. Supreme Court Association Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg.

Professor Marjorie Cohn Speaks on Whistleblowers at San Diego City College

TJSL Professor Marjorie Cohn was the headline speaker at a March 23 event titled “Whistleblowers: Exposing Illegal U.S. Wars.” The Saturday evening event was held at San Diego City College.

Professor Cohn, who is a noted international lecturer on human rights and U.S. foreign policy, spoke about the illegality of the wars in Vietnam and Iraq and compared the actions of Bradley Manning to those of Daniel Ellsberg.

Pfc. Manning is being prosecuted for leaking sensitive military documents from the Iraq and Afghanistan wars and Ellsberg leaked the now famous Pentagon Papers on U.S. involvement in Vietnam.

Other speakers discussed the Vietnam War and the controversial U.S. drone program. The panel discussion held after the main speakers included veterans from both the Korean and Iraq wars.

The event was sponsored by the San Diego Community College Veterans for Peace, the National Lawyers Guild and other community groups.
Professor Herrera Nominated to the 2013 U-T Latino Champions Awards

TJSL Professor Luz Herrera, co-founder of both TJSL’s Small Business Law Center and TJSL’s for Solo Practitioners Center, was recently nominated to the 2013 San Diego Latino Champions awards. The awards are presented by the U-T San Diego and the ceremony was held on March 21 at SeaWorld with Mayor Bob Filner delivering the keynote address.

Professor Herrera was one of more than 70 nominees considered this year. A Latino Champion is someone of Latino descent residing in the San Diego region, who has taken an active role in the community and has made an impact on the cultural life of the community through his or her involvement.

The Small Business Law Center that Professor Herrera founded at TJSL provides low-cost legal assistance to entrepreneurs, artists, inventors, small businesses and non-profit organizations that do not have the financial means to hire a lawyer. Components of the SBLC include the Art and Entertainment Law Project, the Community Economic Development Clinic, the Patent Clinic and the Trademark Clinic. The Center for Solo Practitioners is a 12-to-18-month program that supports TJSL’s “new solos” as they establish their own law firms providing much needed, low-cost legal services to traditionally underserved populations.

Professor Luz Herrera is a Stanford University and Harvard Law School graduate. In addition to co-founding TJSL’s Small Business Law Center and TJSL’s Center for Solo Practitioners Center, she is also the co-founder and board president of Community Lawyers, Inc., a non-profit organization that provides low and moderate-income people access to affordable legal services and develops innovative opportunities for attorneys and law students in underserved communities. She joined the TJSL faculty in 2008 and is the faculty adviser for La Raza Law Students Association. She currently serves on the American Bar Association’s Delivery of Legal Services Committee, the board of California Rural Assistance and the Sargent Shriver Civil Counsel Act Implementation Committees.

Last year, Professor Herrera was inducted into the College of Law Practice and Management at a ceremony in Washington D.C. She was also a finalist in the San Diego Business Journal’s 19th annual Women who Mean Business Awards and was recently honored by Diverse Issues in Education Magazine as one of its “Emerging Scholars” for 2012-2013.

Congratulations Professor Herrera!
Citations Added March 18 - April 1

Brenda M. Simon

Presentations:
The Implications of Technological Advance for Obviousness, Spring 2013 Colloquia and Distinguished Speaker Series, Whittier Law School, Costa Mesa, CA (March 21, 2013), available at http://www.law.whittier.edu/index/centers-programs/cipl/intellectual-property-distinguished-speakers/

Marjorie Cohn

Chapter in a Book:
Training Torturers: The School of the Americas, in A WORLD OF TORTURE 233 (with Boutris Salim Ghoneim, Francoise Sironi, Abi Dymond, Joe Farha, Evelyn Josse, Serge Slama, Basil Fernando, and ACAT-France Theology Commission) (ACAT (Action by Christians for the Abolition of Torture) 2013)

Presentations:
Iraq, Vietnam, Bradley Manning and Dan Ellsberg, Whistleblowers: Exposing Illegal U.S. Wars, Career Technology Center Theatre, San Diego City College, San Diego, CA (March 24, 2013)

The Moot Court Honor Society will be holding their annual tryouts April 20 - 21st

Informational meetings will be held Wednesday, April 3rd at 11:30 a.m. in room 325 and 5:30 p.m. in room 318.

Why join Moot Court Honor Society?
Increase your proficiency in appellate brief writing and oral advocacy by competing in national competitions. Enhance your marketability to future employers. Improve your knowledge and skills. Enhance your law school experience. Take advantage of unmatched networking opportunities.

Who Should Come To The Informational Meeting?
All 1Ls and 2Ls graduating May 2014 or later are welcome. Moot Court competitions involve a wide variety of subjects, so wherever your interests may lie, there is something for you!

How Do I Tryout?
First, come to one of the informational meetings. Second, submit your required tryout materials by the due date (April 8th). Third, compete for a spot on the team through an Intra-School Competition (April 20 - 21st).

Email Questions to: mootcourt@tjsl.edu.
SELF-HELP CLINIC
FOR LOW TO MODERATE INCOME VETERANS

STARTING MARCH 20, 2013 ON EVERY THIRD WEDNESDAY
BY APPOINTMENT ONLY 6:00 – 8:00 P.M.
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Have your pre-filled out forms reviewed prior to submitting them to the court.

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Receive information on how to move forward with your case.

MAKE AN APPOINTMENT AT (619) 961-4369
The Trademark Clinic is now accepting applications for Summer 2013!

The application deadline is April 1, 2013!

If you are interested in working with artists, entrepreneurs, small businesses and non-profit organizations in the trademark legal area, now is the time to apply for a certified law student position in the Trademark Clinic. As a Trademark Clinic student, you will provide legal assistance to San Diego County residents who do not have the means to hire legal counsel. Students must devote 20 hours a week to client work and attend a mandatory weekly seminar. You will receive 3 units for your participation in the Trademark Clinic [10 hours is the equivalent of 1 unit (20 hours/week of clinic work = 2 units). You also receive 1 additional unit for the weekly seminar].

Pre-Requisites

- Successfully complete first year of law school.
- Successfully complete Professional Responsibility.
- Successfully complete or currently enrolled in Civil Procedure II and Evidence.
- No major commitments to extracurricular organizations.

Application

To apply for a position for the Summer 2013, please submit a formal letter addressed to Professor Tim Dennison indicating your interest in working with the Trademark Clinic, a resume, and an unofficial transcript to bnieman@tjsl.edu no later than April 1, 2013. For additional information about what to include in your formal letter, please visit www.tjsl.edu/clinics/trademark-clinic.
“Supporting Community Entrepreneurship”

The **Community Economic Development Clinic**
is now accepting applications for Summer 2013!

**The application deadline is April 1, 2013!**

If you are interested in transactional law and working with entrepreneurs, small businesses, and nonprofit organizations, now is the time to apply for a certified law student position in the Community Economic Development Clinic (CED Clinic). As certified law student, you will provide legal assistance to San Diego County residents who do not have the means to hire legal counsel. Students must devote 20 hours a week to client work and attend a mandatory weekly seminar. You will receive 3 units for your participation in the CED Clinic [10 hours is the equivalent of 1 unit (20 hours/week of clinic work = 2 units). You also receive 1 additional unit for the weekly seminar].

**Pre-Requisites**

- Successfully complete first year of law school.
- Successfully complete Professional Responsibility and Business Associations.
- Successfully complete or currently enrolled in Civil Procedure II and Evidence.
- No major commitments to extracurricular organizations.
- Preference given to students with prior legal work experience.

**Application**

To apply for a position for Summer 2013, please submit a formal letter addressed to Professor Becky Nieman indicating your interest in working with the CED Clinic, a resume, and an unofficial transcript to bnieman@tjsl.edu no later than April 1, 2013. For additional information about what to include in your formal letter, please visit www.tjsl.edu/clinics/ced.
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TJSL Professors Present

INTERNATIONAL LAW AT TJSL

TUESDAY, APRIL 9, 2013, 11:30 AM–12:50 PM, ROOM 225

Join us to hear TJSL’s amazing International Law faculty talk about the courses they teach and how these courses will help advance your International Law education and career goals!

PARTICIPATING PROFESSORS

Sam Bettwy
Marjorie Cohn
Ilene Durst
Linda Keller
Ben Templin
Susan Tiefenbrun
Kenneth Vandevelde
Richard Winchester

THIS EVENT IS HOSTED BY THE INTERNATIONAL LAW SOCIETY AT TJSL

RSVP TO ILS@TJSL.EDU BY APRIL 7, 2013
EAST VILLAGE OPENING DAY BLOCK PARTY
Tuesday, April 9th 11AM-6PM
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Attendance at this information session is mandatory for all May/Aug. graduates. Please choose ONE of the following sessions to attend and RSVP in the events tab in Symplicity. Food will be provided.

**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 3RD**

12:00-12:50, Room 325 OR
4:45-5:45, Room 227 OR

**THURSDAY, APRIL 4TH**

12:00-12:50, Room 325

For more information contact Career Services at Ext. 4233 or careerservices@tjsl.edu
MAY IT PLEASE THE COURT...

Tryout Informational Meetings

Wednesday, April 3rd
11:30am in Room 325
5:30pm in Room 318

What is Moot Court?

The TJSI Moot Court Honor Society is the appellate advocacy team at TJSI. The society's specialty is appellate work; meaning that our skill set is brief writing and appellate oral arguments. Members polish their ability to craft well-written appellate briefs and give poised oral arguments to live panels of judges.

How Do I Join?

Tryouts are open to TJSI students graduating in May 2014 or later, in the top 50% of their class, and currently enrolled in or have completed Legal Writing II.

The tryout process has two steps:

1) Application for Admission
Resume, Statement of Interest, and a Writing Sample (10 pg. max.)
email to mootcourt@tjsi.edu
Due: April 08, 2013

2) Intra-School Competition
The oral argument tryout competition will be held March 31st and April 1st using anonymous ID numbers. The top 8 competitors will receive automatic invitations to join the Moot Court Honor Society. An interview process will be conducted to choose the remaining new members.
Problem Released: April 13, 2013
Competitions: April 20 – April 21, 2013

How Do I Get More Information?

If you are unable to attend the informational meetings and would like more information or have questions regarding the Moot Court Honor Society:

EMAIL: MOOTCOURT@TJSI.EDU
MULTISTATE PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY EXAMINATION (MPRE) SATURDAY APRIL 6, 2013

We are hosting two LIVE lectures/workshops to help you prepare!

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BARBRI: MONDAY, APRIL 1, 2013, 5:30 - 8:00 P.M., ROOM 229

The BARBRI MPRE course comes complete with a lecture, workbook, and StudySmart Software. The course is at no charge to students, including this Saturday’s live lecture. For students desiring to taking advantage of the MPRE workbook and the StudySmart Software, all you need do is enroll online for BARBRI’s MPRE course by logging into your account and enrolling in the MPRE course. If you are referring a classmate that is not enrolled with BARBRI, all he/she needs do is go to www.barbri.com and select “enroll now,” and then choose the option “Enroll in the FREE April 2013 MPRE Review Course.”

- RSVP is appreciated but not required
- Seating is limited & is first come, first serve
- Handouts will be distributed in class upon arrival

THEMIS: TUESDAY, APRIL 2, 2013, 6:00 - 9:00 P.M., ROOM 227

Materials will be provided, but this will be an active workshop ending with a simulated MPRE exam. Sign on to Themis and enroll in the MPRE program BEFORE the workshop so that you will have an introduction to the substantive rules of the ABA Model Rules.

For more information, contact
Leah M. Christensen at lchristensen@tjsl.edu
Assistant Dean of Academic Success and Bar Preparation
NATIVE AMERICAN LAW STUDENTS ASSOCIATION (N.A.L.S.A.)

FIRST GENERAL MEETING!

MONDAY APRIL 8, 2013
5:30PM – 6:30PM
ROOM 217

Food will be provided!

Interim board:
President: Samantha Morales
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Lawyers Club of San Diego invites you to the first annual Equal Pay Day Leadership Luncheon

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Featuring Lorena Gonzalez, Secretary – Treasurer/CEO of San Diego - Imperial Counties Labor Council, AFL-CIO

Equal Pay Day represents the date in the current year through which women must work to earn the same amount their male counterparts earned the previous year. According to the U.S. Census Bureau, on average, full-time working women are paid 77 cents for every dollar paid to their male counterparts. To learn more, visit the National Committee on Pay Equity website at http://www.pay-equity.org.

As head of the Labor Council, Ms. Gonzalez has worked tirelessly for equal pay for union members. She will discuss the significant and crippling impact of unequal pay upon women, their families, society, and our nation. Join us to discuss how to make a difference and close the gap.

Tuesday, April 9th, 2013
12:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.
The Westgate Hotel, Downtown San Diego
1055 Second Avenue San Diego, CA 92101

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Please register early at lawyersclubsandiego.com, as space is limited.

Contact subcommittee co-chairs Shalini K. Kedia at shalini@kediamediation.com and Maggie E. Schroeder at schroedterm@higgeslaw.com for more information and co-hosting opportunities.
BAR EXAM ORIENTATION

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 10, 2013, 5:30-7:30 P.M., ROOM 227

We are holding a mandatory forum to provide you with important information on everything you need to know about Bar Preparation and Bar Programs. We will offer:

• Candid Assessments of the Different Bar Programs – Barbri, Bar Secrets, Flemings, Themis, BarMax? What are their costs? What are their strengths and weaknesses?

• Statistics related to our TJSJL students and how they performed on the Bar Exam related to the prep program they took.

• When does Bar Prep begin? What do you do? What do you have to complete before the bar exam?

• Bar Study Loans: Which programs are eligible? How much can you get?

• The Performance Exam: You should take a Supplemental PT Program regardless of your bar preparation choice!

• Any other questions you may have.

Our goal is not to "push" any one program over the other. We want to educate you about all your options so you can choose the best program and be ultra-prepared for the Bar Exam. We want to eliminate any stress you may have concerning the exam itself or your studying options.

Join us for an open, candid and helpful discussion of the Bar Exam.
The TJSL Community is Invited to

Lunch with the Attorneys
IN THE TJSL CENTER FOR SOLO PRACTITIONERS

APRIL 10, 2013, 11:30 AM–12:45 PM, ROOM 323

Meet the TJSL alumni who are starting their own practices through our new incubator program. Join them as they discuss their areas of practice and how they are helping the Center develop into a cutting-edge program for TJSL alumni.

PIZZA AND BEVERAGES WILL BE SERVED. HOPE WE’LL SEE YOU THERE!
Did You Know That April Is Fair Housing Month?

FAIR HOUSING:
LAW, POLICY AND ADVOCACY

THURSDAY, APRIL 11, 2013
11:30 AM-12:45 PM ROOM 225
1155 ISLAND AVENUE
SAN DIEGO, CA 92101

The Fair Housing Council of San Diego works to eliminate unlawful housing discrimination in the housing rental, sales, lending and property insurance markets on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin, sex, familial status (presence of children in the family), disability, age, ancestry, sexual orientation, marital status, source of income, or other basis as defined by law affecting the San Diego regional housing market.

Speaker:  MARY SCOTT KNOLL
Executive Director of the Fair Housing Council of San Diego

Ms. Knoll has 20 years of experience as a fair housing advocate, attorney, and educator. She will discuss:

• Housing Discrimination
• Fair Housing Laws and Policy
• Litigation and Advocacy under Federal and State Housing Laws

This is a BYOL (BRING YOUR OWN LUNCH) Event
PRACTICING LAW IN NORTH COUNTY

Career Services welcomes members of the Board of Directors of the North County Bar Association who will discuss:

- The often untapped legal market in North County
- Benefits of practicing law in and around the Vista Courthouse
- Networking opportunities with attorneys and judges
- Perspectives on small firm, solo practice and mediation practice
- Learning about various practice areas
- Finding a mentor and free membership in the North County Bar for 3Ls

THURSDAY, APRIL 11TH
11:45-12:45
Room 227

* To attend, please RSVP in the Events tab of Symplicity.
La Raza
Law Students Association

AND THE CENTER FOR GLOBAL LEGAL STUDIES PRESENT:

“EXPOSING HUMAN TRAFFICKING”

Friday April 12, 2013
5:00pm – 7:00pm
Room 323

Moderated by: Susan Tiefenbrun, Professor
and Director of the Center for Global Legal Studies

Featured Panelists: Adjunct Professor Kris Kraus of Federal Defenders of San Diego Inc.,
Alessandra Serano of the U.S. Attorney’s Office,
Deputy Sheriff Joseph Mata of the North County Regional Task Force on Human Trafficking
and Marisa Ugarte, Director of the Bilateral Safety Corridor Coalition

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Appetizers and drinks will be served
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Professor Julie Greenberg will discuss Caster Semenya, an 18-year-old South African runner, who should have been elated after her gold medal win in the 800 meter 2009 World Championships. Instead of being able to celebrate her historic accomplishment, this shy and sheltered young woman was confronted with international headlines proclaiming that she was a “woman...and a man.” Ms. Semenya was forced to withdraw from athletic competitions until she could satisfy the Olympic judges that she was a female. Last summer, she returned to compete at the London Olympics and captured the silver medal.

This presentation will explain why Ms. Semenya, and millions of people with similar conditions—approximately 2% of the population—may have their gender challenged. Gender questions also occur outside of the athletic arena; people have been asked to pass a gender test to prove their right to marry, obtain identity documents, and live in or use single sex facilities. During this talk, we will explore some of the intriguing legal, medical, and societal issues that arise when we establish rules to determine a person’s sex.

- No Charge for TJSI Alumni, Students, Faculty and Staff
- $25 for General Public
- 1.0 Hour of General MCLE Credit Available
- RSVP by Tuesday, April 9, 2013

For more information and to RSVP, visit http://alumni.tjsl.edu/events/index.asp?eventid=282
=TJSL Diversity Week 2013=

“Strengthening Your Law Practice by Using Your Cultural Acumen”

**When:** April 11, 2013 at 11:30am  
**Where:** TJSL, Room 229

Join MELSA for this insightful panel about using your cultural assets to attract clientele, increase retention and referrals, and provide a personalized communication avenue for your clients. The panel will include insight from a variety of practices ranging from a sole practitioner standpoint to a large law firm perspective. The backgrounds of the attorneys speaking will include: Filipino-American; Iranian-American; African-American; and Latin American.

Lunch will be served. Please RSVP before April 9th at: melsa@tjsl.edu
Attention: TJSL July 2013 Bar Candidates!

Fleming’s Fundamentals of Law in conjunction with Thomas Jefferson School of Law presents:

A Live 12-Hour Performance Workshop Preparation for the July 2013 CA Bar

Be a Successful Bar Candidate! Master the Performance Exam!

Dates:

- Friday, April 12, 2013: 6:00 pm to 10:00 pm
- Saturday, April 13, 2013: 9:00 am to 5:00 pm

Costs:

- TJSL Discounted Price: $150.00 ($12.50 per hour)

*In order to qualify for the TJSL discounted price of $150, TJSL student must register by March 25, 2013, otherwise the price will be $195.00.

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Email: info@ffol.com ✦ Web: lawprepare.com

1 (800) LAW EXAM
Career Services Presents ...

Getting a Grip on Your Student Loans

with Joe Braxton, Student Loan Expert

Wednesday, April 17, 2013
11:30 a.m. in Room 323
Brown Bag—Bring your own lunch/refreshments.

To attend, please RSVP in the Events Tab on Symplicity. Contact Career Services at careerservices@tjsl.edu with any questions.

This presentation will help you:
Determine what kind of loans you have and why it makes a difference, evaluate income-based repayment and other options, And learn simple steps to qualify for public service loan forgiveness.
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Professor Vandevelde

Everything you wanted to know about the MAN himself... including when he decided that he didn’t want to be a Professional Baseball player....

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Wednesday, April 17th

4:00pm - 6:00pm

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CLS’s Annual

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ILS’s Annual Monte Carlo Night

All proceeds to benefit student summer abroad scholarships.

April 18th
5:30 pm to 9:30 pm

at Luce Loft
1037 J Street
San Diego, CA 92101

Poker, Blackjack, Roulette, Craps and the infamous DATE AUCTION!

GREAT PRIZES UP FOR GRABS, PLUS FOOD AND DRINKS WILL BE SERVED!

Contact ILS@tjsl.edu or CLS@tjsl.edu for more info.
GIRL RISING
A 10x10 film by Academy Award nominee Richard Robbins showcasing the stories of 9 girls from 9 different countries demonstrating the strength of the human spirit and the power of education to change our world...

Thursday
April 18, 2013
At 7:30pm
La Jolla 12 (Screen TBD)
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Monday-Wednesday
4/22-4/24
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Wednesday 7-9pm
4/24
Armenian Genocide Commemoration event at Great Hall

Thursday
4/25
Armenian Heritage Festival on Library walk

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ALTERNATIVE CAREERS PANEL

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 24, 2013, 11:30 A.M.–12:45 P.M., ROOM 225
1155 ISLAND AVENUE, SAN DIEGO, CA 92101

PANELISTS

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Intellectual Asset Management
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• Free of charge for TJSU Students, Alumni, Faculty & Staff
• Lunch will be served
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TJSL SALDF Donation Drive
Pets of the Homeless
Last day to donate is May 1

What is Pets of the Homeless?
Pets of the Homeless is a nonprofit volunteer organization that provides pet food and veterinary care to the homeless in local communities across the United States & Canada.
3.5 Million Americans are homeless. Between 5-10% of homeless people have dogs/and or cats. In some areas of the country, the rate is as high as 24%.

How do I donate?
TJSL SALDF is now a donation site for Pets of the Homeless - please help us help the pets and pet-owners that need it most! Donations can be dropped off at SALDF desk in student organization room.

Things to donate
Dog Treats - Rawhide strips, ears, chewies
Packages of food - Dry dog food or canned wet food
Items must still be in their original packaging.
The Public Law Section Student Writing Competition

$2,000 cash prize and article published in Public Law Journal

Deadline May 13, 2013

The Public Law Section is seeking entries for its annual Student Writing Competition. In addition to the cash prize, the winning entry will be published in the Public Law Journal. Articles should pertain to one of the following topics: Administrative Law; Constitutional Law; Municipal Law; Open Meeting laws; Political/Election Laws; Education Law; State and Federal Legislation; Public Employment and Labor Law; Government Contracts; Government Tort Liability and regulations; Land Use/Environmental issues; Public Law Ethics; or Public Finance. Articles must be submitted and written by a student enrolled as of May 13, 2013, in good standing at a California law school’s Juris Doctor program that is accredited by the Committee of Bar Examiners of the State Bar of California.

The article must be submitted in a format suitable for publication in the Public Law Journal. The article should be the original work of the submitting student without substantial editorial input from others. A student need not be a member of the Public Law Section to participate in the writing contest.

Articles should have a minimum of 2,000 words and a maximum of 3,000 words (not including endnotes). Articles should include citations in either Bluebook or California Style Manual format, and citations must be included in endnotes, not footnotes.

**AWARD**

The author of the winning student article will receive a $2,000 cash prize from the Public Law Section and will have his or her article published in the Public Law Journal. The winner also will be recognized at the Ronald M. George Public Lawyer of the Year Award reception sponsored by the Public Law Section at the State Bar's Annual Meeting in September 2013. The Public Law Section will pay the winner’s reasonable transportation and hotel accommodation expenses for two nights to attend the award reception.

**DEADLINE/METHOD OF SUBMISSION**

Articles must be received by midnight (PST) on May 13, 2013 to be eligible for consideration in this writing contest. Please submit articles by email as attached Microsoft Word documents in Times New Roman 12-point font, single-spaced, with one line between each paragraph. Citations must be included in endnotes, not footnotes. Email articles to cfowler@srcity.org or Rachel_Sommovilla.ci.richmond.ca.us (PST) on May 13, 2013. By submitting an article as part of this contest, the author grants the Public Law Section the right to edit (as necessary) and publish any article in the Public Law Journal.

**JUDGING**

Articles will be judged by the Executive Committee of the Public Law Section based on the following criteria, though not necessarily in this order: Complexity of topic, Relevancy to one or more areas of public law, Timeliness of topic to current developments in public law, Originality, Quality of writing, Compliance with contest rules.

A member of the Public Law Section’s Executive Committee will notify the winner by June 14, 2013. Please direct any questions regarding this contest to Caroline Fowler at (707) 543-3040 or Rachel Sommovilla at (510) 620-6509.

**MISSION**

The mission of the Public Law Section of the State Bar of California is to ensure that laws relating to the function and operation of public agencies are clear, effective and serve the public interest; to advance public service through public law practice; and to enhance the effectiveness of public law practitioners. Comprised of over 1,300 members, including law students, the Public Law Section focuses on addressing issues related to administrative law, constitutional law, municipal and county law, open meeting laws, political and/or election law, education law, water law, state and federal legislation, public employment, government contracts, government tort liability, agency regulations, land use/environmental issues, and public lawyer ethics.

The Public Law Section provides topical educational programs, seminars and resource materials; works to enhance the recognition of, and participation by, public law practitioners in the State Bar; presents its annual “Ronald M. George Public Lawyer of the Year Award” to public law practitioners who have made significant and continuous contributions to the profession; and publishes the quarterly Public Law Journal.
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**Happy Easter**

**April Fool's Day**

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11:30 a.m. TJSL Professors Present: International Law at TJSL Room 225

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