TJSL National Mock Trial Team Wins TYLA Regional Competition

For the first time in school history, the TJSL National Trial Team won the 2013 regional competition of Texas Young Lawyers Association (TYLA) in Tucson, Arizona this past weekend. Coached by Professors Lilys McCoy and Lea Fields-Bernard, teammates Robert Sagerian 3L, Jay B Campbell 2L and Michael Fabinski 3L will compete in the national round of TYLA April 3-7, 2013 in San Antonio, TX.

After defeating Western State, Pepperdine, Loyola Marymount, and Pepperdine again in a second bout, Sagerian, Campbell and Fabinski were crowned champions of Region 14.

The TYLA regional competition included 28 teams from Southern California, Arizona, and Hawaii. The TJSL team competed in five trials against Western State, Pepperdine and Loyola Marymount over the course of four days before being crowned Regional Champions. The TJSL team never lost a round and received the highest point total of all the teams.

The regional problem was a fictitious case titled, State of Lone Star v. John Quincy Drath. The State charged Mr. Drath with one count of murder for the death of Steppen Walker. The State intended to prove that John Drath killed Steppen Walker out of anger after discovering that Mr. Walker, 22, was involved in sexual relationship with Mr. Drath’s 17-year-old daughter, Sally Drath. Mr. Drath asserted the affirmative defense of insanity after he awoke in a jail cell eight days after Mr. Walker was killed, having no recollection of the previous eight days.

"This is a remarkable achievement for our team and our law school," said Robert Sagerian, TJSL’s Team Captain. “There has been so much support from the student body, the administration and members of the San Diego legal community leading up to this competition. For that, I would like to thank everyone that was part of the preparation process because your assistance was instrumental to our success."

“Thank you to my coaches and teammates who showed up and put in the work every single day,” said Michael Fabinski. “I hope this is only the beginning of something special for this school’s team.”
"TYLA was a great experience," said Jay B Campbell. "The regional competition had some great schools including, Pepperdine, Loyola, UCLA, USD and Cal Western, but we dug in and pulled through. Our victory at TYLA regionals is a testament to the hard work that everyone on our team put in, both competitors and non-competitors alike. Our performance at TYLA was much more than a victory for the three of us or for the mock trial team. It was a victory for the TJSL student body, faculty and administration. Also, a big thank you to all the students who came in and volunteered to play witnesses during our practices. We hope to ride this momentum all the way to San Antonio for the National Competition!"

"Kudos to my Co-coach Professor Lea Fields-Bernard and competitors Jay B Campbell, Michael Fabinski and Robert Sagerian," said Professor Lily's McCoy. “It was an amazing experience, and the three student competitors represented TJSL in a way that should make all of us feel exceedingly proud. As we kept advancing, we continued to get word that the competition coordinators and the other coaches were impressed with the TJSL Team. When we won in the final round, everyone seemed genuinely happy for our Team and our school.”

TJSL sent two teams to the TYLA competition. The other team was staffed by Alonso Zavalasoto 2L, David Askander 3L and Michael Klitzke 2L. They also did well, only just missing the chance to advance. The entire 2012-2013 team contributed to the victory through tireless work over many practices.

The competition also had powerful personal meaning for Professor McCoy – it was a triumphant homecoming for her.

“The finals were held in the mock trial courtroom at the University of Arizona where I studied trial practice as a 3L,” said Professor McCoy.

“It was truly moving to watch them take the Region 14 Title in the very room where I first realized I might have the ability try cases."

**About the Texas Young Lawyers Association’s National Trial Competition**

The National Trial Competition was established in 1975 to encourage and strengthen students’ advocacy skills through quality competition and valuable interaction with members of the bench and bar. The program is designed to expose law students to the nature of trial practice and to serve as a supplement to their education. It is the Texas Young Lawyers Association intent to provide a meaningful contribution to the development of future trial lawyers. The top two winners of the 14 regional competitions will compete in the National Competition April 3-7, 2013 in San Antonio, TX.
Professor Kuan Hsi Wang, is teaching at Thomas Jefferson School of Law from February 4 to March 14 as a Visiting Professor from Zhejiang University Guanghua Law School.

“It is my honor to teach here,” said Professor Wang. “According to my experience, the colleagues are very friendly and helpful, and all of my students are very diligent and outstanding. San Diego is a very beautiful city and TJSL is a very good law school.”

Professor Wang will work closely with Professor Susan Tiefenbrun during his time here at TJSL.

“Professor Wang is a good friend and an esteemed colleague with whom I have worked closely for the past six years in our China Study Abroad Program that I created seven years ago for TJSL,” said Professor Tiefenbrun. “Professor Wang is the Vice Dean at the Zhejiang University Guanghua School of Law in Hangzhou and he is one of the four Chinese professors who teaches a course in Chinese Legal Reform in that program. Professor Wang is a strong supporter of our China Study Abroad Program in Hangzhou. He and I often speak about the differences between China and the U.S. especially our two very different legal systems. It is a pleasure to work with him both here and in China.”

Professor Wang has 10 years of experience teaching Chinese Property Law, Tort Law, and the Sociology of Law in China.

“I was invited by Dean Hasl to give an intensive course at TJSL,” said Professor Wang. “Certainly, Professor Susan Tiefenbrun is the key person who works out the whole program. Without her excellent work, we can’t make it.”

Professor Wang is teaching a new course here at TJSL on the evolution of the Chinese legal system.

It’s Time to Find Out About Bar Prep! **February** and **March** Are TJSL's Bar Prep Months!

**Please visit the table of each of the following bar prep companies:**

- Kaplan Bar Program: February 18 - 22
- Barbri: February 25 - March 1
- BarMaxx: March 4 - March 5
- Bar Secrets: (TBA)
Introducing Students to IP

During the first part of February, TJSL offered a 1L Introduction to IP Class to introduce participants in TJSL’s IP Fellowship program to the substantive area of intellectual property. “Students are introduced to multiple fields of intellectual property and also multiple IP faculty members in the hopes of piquing their interest in an area of IP,” explains class coordinator Professor Julie Cromer-Young. “We hope this gives students a background for their advanced intellectual property classes and a foundation for writing and academic projects.”

“One of the most difficult aspects of starting a new program like intellectual property is figuring out the lay of the land,” said A.J Eckhart 1L. “We all want to know what subjects we should be taking, what kind of jobs are available, and what kind of work those jobs entail. This course had the goal of trying to give us a taste of the answers to these questions. In that respect it succeeded very well. It also provided an opportunity to establish contacts for future questions and concerns.”

Students are required to write a short paper which can serve as the basis for longer articles or competitive submissions. “The professors in this program are providing us with an overview of the legal concepts, policy aims, and methods of application in play,” explains Zach Spear 1L. “After just one Saturday, I understood IP far better than I did the day before. The program made it very clear to me why IP has become so vital in the accelerating age of the internet, technology, and advanced scientific research. I'm seeking to build future advocacy atop the foundation I'm receiving in Introduction to IP.”

“Most law schools do not offer students an elective their 1L year,” said Professor Cromer-Young. “This gives students the opportunity to experience a field beyond the 1L required coursework and see how the different areas they are studying apply to a substantive area.

This program allows first year students to be introduced to all the basic concepts of IP law and speak with practicing lawyers, many of whom are TJSL graduates. “Our professors were terrific, but hearing the perspectives of practicing attorneys might have been the highlight of the day,” said Spear. “Ms. Joanna Tsai ’02 recognized a need early on: Small businesses couldn't afford to protect their IP and didn't really know how. She has built a practice serving that need at an affordable price, helping new entrepreneurs protect their name and goodwill, and direct their focus toward growing a successful business. She has been very proactive in her career and has a lot of success of her own to show for it. Likewise, Ms. Michaux Moon ’07 practically helped invent a niche in defending the IP of craft breweries. She also couldn't find what she really wanted to do in the marketplace, so she created it and has truly distinguished herself in an emerging field. Listening to these women share their stories was illuminating and inspiring.”
**Introducing Students to IP continued...**

The 1L Introduction to IP class was offered from 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. on two Saturdays during the month of February. “Because it is an add-on class and students have different schedules holding class on Saturday is the easiest way to ensure that everyone is available,” said Cromer-Young. “It also provides the least amount of disruption to their regular schedules. By offering it on Saturdays, they get 14 hours of concentrated instruction then they get to focus on their regular coursework.”

“We had a chance to discuss subjects such as patents, copyrights, trademarks and antitrust law with experts in the field,” said Eckhart. “We were given an introduction to the issues presented in these areas and had the opportunity to discuss the subjects with professors, litigators, and students working in those areas. The program was well presented and very much worth the time I invested.”

“We like to say that between this course and exposure to IP that the fellows get in their legal writing classes, they know more about IP law after one year of law school than most recent graduates,” said Professor Steve Semeraro. “And we now provide clinical experiences in the second and 3rd years in patent, copyright, and trademark.”

This course has been offered 1Ls every spring semester since the inception of TJSL’s IP Fellowship program. There are plans to offer it again next year.

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**CLIMB Presents “Spoken Word” at TJSL**

By Diana Vasquez 3L

On Thursday, February 14, 2013, CLIMB hosted "Culture Night presents: Spoken Word". The event took place on the eighth floor. TJSL students and Crawford High School students enjoyed poetry while overlooking the San Diego skyline.

CLIMB had an array of poets present. Guest performers Eddy, Ccep and Vogue Robinson, local San Diego poets, shared different poems relating to self-improvement, love, and social consciousness. Chris Nepacena, 2L, also shared his poetry with the Crawford High School students.

Culture Night is one of seven programs under CLIMB. Culture Nights assists the youth in building critical thinking skills and exposes them to information and perspectives that may not be readily available in the cultural mainstream. Through the use of music, movies, poetry, comedy, books, speeches, plays, and other relevant forms of media the, youth are presented with different perspectives that challenge conventional thinking.

Our next Culture Night will be hosted on March 14, 2013. If you would like more information about CLIMB or would like to get involved in this or any of our other programs, please contact Lee Vernon, Program Coordinator, at vernonlm@tjsl.edu.
The San Diego Task Force on Unaccompanied Youth met recently at Thomas Jefferson School of Law with three TJSL students in attendance, showing the commitment of so many students at the law school to become involved in important community-wide issues.

Amy Louttit 3L, Youth Director/Specialist of the Task Force was at the meeting, along with Deborah Micev 3L and Sara Kelley 3L, who both came to the meeting to increase their own awareness of the issues and find out how they might be of service.

The San Diego Task Force, in particular, is collaboration between the National Association for the Education of Homeless Children and Youth (NAEHCY) and the San Diego Continuum of Care (SD CoC). The recent meeting included representatives from the SD CoC, the Regional Task Force on the Homeless in SD, the San Diego County Office of Education, San Marcos Unified School District, StandUp for Kids, Toussaint Academy, The Store Front, DreamsForChange and, among others Specialists in CalFresh from the Department of Health and Human Services. The meeting also had a great turnout of youth from a number of programs/schools including Monarch School, a school in downtown San Diego which provides an academic and supportive environment for students impacted by homelessness.

The NAEHCY SD Task Force on Unaccompanied Youth’s primary purpose is to improve educational opportunities and outcomes for unaccompanied youth by identifying youths’ needs and advocating for federal and state public policy changes. The Task Force brings together a wide array of youth-serving programs and young people to ensure that homeless youth are stable, studying and successful. They are working to ensure full implementation and compliance with the McKinney Vento Act in secondary education, to improve access to higher education and to break down barriers to core services required for youth to succeed, including health care, housing and nutrition. According to Amy Louttit, youth being involved in this process is integral to ensuring they are using their time and energy in an efficient way. The youth give guidance for keeping the Task Force on track to address the actual needs of the students, in addition to what those in the field perceive as needs. Louttit will be meeting with the Youth Representatives from the Task Force’s Youth Consultant Panel in between the meetings of the Task Force as a whole.

“Thomas Jefferson School of Law supporting this meeting and allowing the Task Force to meet in the Board Room on the 8th floor really allows youth the chance to get their hands dirty in real legislative work!,” said Louttit. “One youth made her voice heard as she closed the Task Force meeting with extraordinarily motivational words: ‘It is really great to see all of these adults giving their time and efforts to this cause, but as a youth, I am concerned there will be a lot of talk, but as adults often do, there will be no action taken or anything actually done.’ The sense of empowerment this young woman exemplified was an inspiration to everyone at the table to not fall into that category of adults who talk the talk but never walk the walk, and yet take credit for being socially active.”

“I have been involved with being a homeless youth advocate in education for the past six years,” added Louttit. “This work is important to me because all too often school administrators and legislators are uninformed about the complexities in the McKinney Vento Act, which confers educational rights on homeless youth.”

“I was inspired by Amy to attend the Task-Force meeting after we discussed issues we encountered in working with children from foster homes,” said Debbie Micev. “Before coming to TJSL, I worked in clinical neuropsychology evaluating patients with neurological problems, many of which were children in foster care. When I start my own practice, I will have a dedicated percentage of pro bono work representing foster children in their legal issues with their parents and treatment providers.” “As a co-founder of Dreams for Change, a nonprofit dedicated to innovative solutions to homelessness, I know that there is an overwhelming and diverse homeless population in San Diego,” said Sara Kelley. “I hope that by assisting homeless youth, we can turn the tide and prevent them from becoming homeless adults.”
The Nice, France & Hangzhou, China Experience: 
Why attending the TJSL Study Abroad Programs are a must while in Law School!

By Jeremy M. Evans, Esq. ’11

Traveling to Nice, France and Hangzhou, China in the Summer of 2009, were a first of many for me. It was the first time I had left the United States. The first time traveling around the world (from Los Angeles, CA to Asia, to the Middle East, to Europe, to New York, NY, to Seattle, WA, and back to San Diego, CA). It was the first time living in a foreign country and meeting friends from the around the world. More importantly, it was the beginning of life long relationships with friends and colleagues that could only be strengthened while traveling in a foreign country.

If that is not enough, how about traveling to 19 countries and 29 cities in 3 months over the summer and getting 8 units toward my J.D. and law school graduation? And for those inclined to know, study abroad programs are focused on cultural education (having fun and entertaining times) as much as they are towards the legal education. Why else would you travel half-way across the world to learn? There is no other reason--the point is to immerse yourself in the culture, meet people, and to be challenged in living life to the fullest.

Needless to say, the programs were an amazing experience and it was one of the best times in my life. Those who traveled together still keep in touch and laugh about those experiences. It was also those experiences and challenges in traveling overseas that gave us additional confidence to go after our dreams, without fear or trembling.

It is not just a personal experience, here are some testimonials from Thomas Jefferson School of Law Alums who have attended the Nice and/or China programs:

See next page for testimonials...
The Nice, France & Hangzhou, China Experience continued...

Below are a few testimonials:

**Courtney Darnell '11** (Nice Program, 2009)
Director of Online Marketing at LawInfo.com (San Diego, CA)
"By far the best decision I ever made during law school. Life and career changing!"

**Taylor Olson '11** (China and Nice Programs, 2009)
Solo Practitioner (San Francisco, CA)
"With the China Program, you get to study with the Chinese students in their university. It's an amazing experience of law and culture."

**Eric P. Ganci '08** (China Program, 2007)
Award Winning DUI Trial Lawyer (San Diego, CA)
"Studying abroad in Nice was one of my most memorable and enjoyable experiences during law school. To be able to study different areas of law in an international context, take classes with, and learn from foreign law students, and live on the French Riviera, is an experience I will never forget. I have never met anyone who regretted a study abroad experience, because it is a great way to expand your horizons and gain an education that expands far beyond just the classroom."

**Matt Vesterdahl '11** (Nice Program, 2009)
Staff Attorney, Reed Smith, LLP (San Francisco, CA)
"Studying abroad in Nice was one of the most rewarding and beneficial experiences during my time at Thomas Jefferson School of Law, not to mention the lifetime friendships the experience created."

**Adam Owens '11** (Nice Program, 2009)
Solo Practitioner (San Diego, CA)
“We Alums hope you attend the programs and experience what we got to experience. Life, as you know, is what you make of it. So, make the China and Nice TJSL Study Abroad Programs (i.e., Experience) a priority and sign up now:

**Hangzhou, China Experience (May 20-June 7, 2013):**
[http://www.tjsl.edu/study-abroad/china](http://www.tjsl.edu/study-abroad/china)

**Nice, France Experience (June 24-July 18, 2013):** [http://www.tjsl.edu/study-abroad/nice](http://www.tjsl.edu/study-abroad/nice)
The French Connection: Fighting Organized Crime and Terrorism in France

Two judges who have been at the forefront of fighting both organized crime and terrorism in France appeared at Thomas Jefferson School on Thursday, February 14, at an event presented by the Center for Global Legal Studies with Director Professor Susan Tiefenbrun and TJSL’s International Law Society.

Judge Jean-Louis Bruguiere is the former Chief of the French Judicial Anti-Terrorism Division and is famous for prosecuting the infamous assassin and political terrorist “Carlos the Jackal.” Appearing with Judge Bruguiere was Judge Caroline Charpentier, an investigating judge with the courts in Marseilles, which is a hub of organized crime in France.

The two painted a fascinating picture of how the French judicial system goes after criminals as well as terrorists. The biggest crime problems, especially in Marseilles, are weapons, drugs and human trafficking. Violence in that city is escalating at an alarming rate, according to Judge Charpentier.

“You need to strike people where it hurts,” Judge Charpentier said, outlining the tools the French authorities have at their disposal – especially their ability to quickly freeze assets and interrupt the flow of organized crime’s lifeblood: the money. She added that they have the power to detain suspects for up to 96 hours without charging them and it is much faster to get wiretaps on suspected criminals. Also, they run checkpoints between the city and the suburbs of Marseilles to monitor cars for criminal activity.

Investigating Judges such as Charpentier have a different role and different powers than their American counterparts – and can take a very active role in investigating cases as well as presiding over a given case.

One of the biggest issues they face is drug trafficking from North Africa – “an international criminal enterprise that is well organized,” according to Judge Charpentier. She talked about how the drug gangs use “fast cars” to quickly move the drugs along French highways – “using a scouting car, the fast car and a following car” to keep things moving. The cars get through because there are random checks at the border. Unfortunately, she says “we have a porous border and the system needs to be reinforced. The criminals are always one step ahead of us, so it’s hard to stop them 100-percent.”

One of the things that makes the French system so effective at fighting crime and terrorism, according to Judge Bruguiere, is its specificity. “It is very flexible and adaptable, and we can anticipate what’s going to happen. If you conduct a war you should have the weapons and tools to fight it. But without a strategy to fight the war, you will fail.”

In the war on terrorism, France has enacted a set of laws that allow them to move swiftly and harshly against would-be terrorists. According to Judge Bruguiere, “the linchpin is the law to allow prosecution on charges of criminal association for terrorist purposes.” That allows them to go after criminals that “aren’t necessarily members of a known terrorist organization like Al Qaeda or part of a specific plot.” But those who help the terrorists with things like producing fake documents can be prosecuted under the anti-terrorist laws.

“We can react at a very, very early stage,” Judge Bruguiere said. And one big difference he pointed out between the French and U.S. judicial systems is that “all evidence is admissible. And we don’t have to disclose how the evidence was obtained.”

Judge Bruguiere also spoke of France’s recent intervention in the African nation of Mali to prevent the northern part of the country from being taken over by Al Qaeda. “It’s a very dangerous situation. They are trying to overthrow the regime and set up a new Taliban government,” he said. “But the president of Mali asked for the support of France and France responded very quickly with advanced weapons such as fighter jets. We want to avoid the destabilization of the area.”
A Scholar Grapples with Lincoln’s Legacy in a Lecture at TJSL

TJSL’s Center for Law and Social Justice presented a fascinating lecture on February 14: “How a Railroad Lawyer Became the Great Emancipator.”

The emancipator, of course, was President Abraham Lincoln, and the presenter was Albany Law School Professor Paul Finkelman. He set out to answer such questions as: Who really freed the slaves? Did the Emancipation Proclamation have “all the moral grandeur of a bill of lading,” as one scholar claims?

“Professor Finkelman was a great speaker,” according to Lance Henry 3L, who attended the event, which was also a faculty colloquium. “He came across as a historian who is passionate about the subject of the Emancipation Proclamation. Mr. Finkelman gave some insight into the struggles Lincoln faced during the civil war as well as some critique. He compared many events to the current movie, *Lincoln* by Steven Spielberg. He gave Spielberg a ‘C’ for historical accuracy, but he commended Steven Spielberg on showing the brilliance of Lincoln.”

According to Henry, Professor Finkelman spoke about how Lincoln drew distinction between his personal beliefs and his powers under the presidency. Mr. Finkelman explained how Lincoln’s personal beliefs were deeply against slavery, but his deep understanding of the constitution allowed him to recognize he did not have the power under the presidency to abolish slavery. He then elaborated on how Lincoln obtained that power – working with Congress to pass the Thirteenth Amendment.

“The lecture was extremely informative,” said Henry, who says he enjoyed the event. “Mr. Finkelman gave a very detailed account of Lincoln’s strategy to win the war. A slight detour came during the question and answer session when a student asked Mr. Finkelman about an op-ed piece he wrote in the New York time where he characterized Thomas Jefferson as a bit of a monster and certainly not a person to have a school named after him. Mr. Finkelman responded to the question by stating how we as a society have a tendency to glorify individuals and forget about the negative aspects of their character. He then detailed some of the negative aspects by speaking about the number of slaves Thomas Jefferson owned, what little he did for slavery, and a particular cruel incident between Thomas Jefferson and a sale of a slave.”

“Paul Finkelman covered an impressive range of legal and historical ground in his presentation and made a compelling case for viewing Lincoln as the driving force for emancipation, as opposed to someone who had to be pushed to pursue the idea as some others have argued,” said Professor Alex Kreit, Director of TJSL’s Center for Law and Social Justice.”
Alex Kreit
Books:
DRUG ABUSE AND THE LAW SOURCEBOOK (with Gerald F. Uelmen and Victor G. Haddox) (West 2013)

Madeline June Kass
Editorships:
Issue Editor, Natural Resources & Environment Volume 28:2 (Fall 2013), 28:1 ABA NATURAL RESOURCES & ENVIRONMENT (2013) (with Laurie Ristino)

Presentations:

Marjorie Cohn
Radio:
Targeted killings and Brennan confirmation hearing, The Sunday Show, KPFA radio, Berkeley

Radio:
Targeted assassinations and Brennan confirmation hearing, Wake UP Everybody, KPOO radio, San Francisco Bay Area

Radio:
Targeted killings and confirmation hearing of John Brennan, Radio Islam, Chicago

Radio:
Department of Justice white paper on summary execution of U.S. citizens and confirmation hearing for John Brennan for C.I.A. Director, The Morning Zone, KGAB radio (southern and central Wyoming, western Nebraska, northern Colorado, including the metro Denver area and western South Dakota)

Radio:
Department of Justice white paper authorizing the President to kill U.S. citizens with drones, Flashpoints, KPFA radio, Berkeley
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MARKETING TEAM
The Marketing team is responsible for helping promote events coordinated by CLIMB. S/he will help distribute flyers and advertise for all events.

COMMUNICATIONS LEAD
The IT lead will be responsible for keeping CLIMB’s social media outlets up to date, by editing and writing articles for CLIMB that will be included in the Advisor, as well as digitally archiving the program’s progress.

INCENTIVES FOR INTELLECTUALS LEAD
The Incentives for Intellectuals Lead is expected to generate a monthly academic challenge for the youth. The Incentives for Intellectuals Lead is expected to come up with innovative, dynamic challenges such as a book report or essay contest that challenges participants to use their critical thinking skills and brings out their creativity; as well as determining prizes and selecting a winner.

FIELD TRIP LEAD
The Field Trip Lead is expected to generate ideas for trips that allow the youth to see professionals in a variety of professional settings such as courthouses and compliance departments as well as exposing the youth to a variety of cultural experiences such as a trip to see an educational play or to a collegiate athletic event.

CULTURE NIGHT LEAD
The Culture Night Lead will be expected to generate roughly 1-1/2 hour presentations on a relevant social topic and facilitate discussion by Crawford students as well as TJSL students. The Culture Night Lead is responsible for keeping topics and the formats in which they are discussed fresh. Use of relevant video clips, songs, movies, documentaries, etc. can assist in a presentation, but the overall objective behind Culture Night is to spark critical thinking in the youth and organically produce intellectual discussion.

TREASURER
The Treasurer will create a working budget for the semester. S/he will develop ideas to raise the income necessary to meet all financial obligations. S/he will be responsible for overseeing and coordinating fundraisers. The treasurer will be responsible for collecting and maintaining donations as well as providing the organization with consistent updates on our financial status.

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WHEN: Thursday, February 21, 2013
TIME: 11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
Lunch and drinks will be served in Room 227

Learn from the following panelists on Networking, Interviewing, Internships & Social Media Etiquette:

Phil Shapiro '85 - Criminal Defense & General Practice Law
Jeremy Evans '11 - Criminal Defense & Sports Law
Zoi Jones '11 - Criminal Defense, PI & Bankruptcy Law
Kim Carter '11 - Employment & Labor Law
Taleed El-Sabawi - Business Law & Estate Planning
Brent Reitherman - Talent Acquisition Specialist, Sony Electronics

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February 22, 2013
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Angela Medrano and Professor Bryan Wildenthal

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David Clifford, Judge Brandenburg, Tuari Bigknife

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Past practice exams from all 1L Professors will be provided
Phi Alpha Delta presents...

SPRING INITIATION & POST-INITIATION SOCIAL

Come join last year's BEST CHAPTER IN THE NATION on the campaign to repeat our title!

When: Saturday, Feb. 23, 2013
Where: Moot Court Room (Room 219)
Time: 1:00 p.m.

Please arrive at 12:30 p.m. for check-in and line-up

Come join the Post-Initiation Social immediately following at Quality Social (789 6th Ave.)

Please RSVP to GUAYCE@TJSL.EDU

Dress in Business Attire

***YOU MUST COME TO INITIATION TO JOIN PAD***

New Initiates, please complete the following:
1. Fill out an application (Download from www.pad.org/join-pad)
2. Pay $80 National dues (online at www.pad.org/join-pad or by check at initiation)
3. Pay $40 Chapter dues (online at www.tjsl.edu/phialphadelta or by check at initiation)
LSRJ
Dinner & a Movie

When: Thursday
February 21
@ 6pm

Where: Room 318

Come for the movie & Stay for dinner and dialogue afterward!

Enjoy one date night with your favorite Reproductive Justice student org!!!

We hope to see you there!

Contact us!!
Email: lsrj@tjsl.edu
Facebook: TjsLawStudentsforReproJustice
LAW SCHOOL CAREER ADVISORS OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA PRESENT:

ENTERTAINMENT LAW CAREER DAY
Networking Event & Panel Presentation

Saturday, February 23, 8:00am - 1:00pm

SOUTHWESTERN LAW SCHOOL

Panelists include: DreamWorks Studios; NBC Universal; Fox Cable Networks; Fox Entertainment Group; American Federation of TV & Radio Artists; Writers Guild of America; Universal Studios; SAG-AFTRA; Fulwider Patton; Keats McFarland & Wilson; Johnson & Moo; McKenna Long & Aldridge; Screen Actors Guild; Kramer Holcomb Sheik LLP; Law Offices of JD Lopez; Law Offices of David Helfant; Lapidus, Root; Franklin & Sacharow; LaPolt Law; Machinima, Hodgson Law Group; Entertainment Law Group; Petit Kohn Ingrassia & Lutz; Law Offices of Trish Newman; Jeffer Mangels Butler & Mitchell

To RSVP and for more information, go to the Events Tab in Symplicity.

Contact careerservices@tisl.edu for more information
Best Chapter in the Nation 2011-2012
Phi Alpha Delta
presents...

USED CLOTHING DRIVE

February 25 to March 2

WHAT:
Gently used clothing

WHERE:
A clothing bin will be located in the Student Org room at the PAD desk

WHY:
Donations will be made to San Diego Rescue Mission

For more info, please visit tjsl.edu/phialphadelta or email pad@tjsl.edu
BURGERS, BEER, & BANTER

Wednesday,
February 27
4-6 pm
@ The Corner on 10th & J St.

with PROFESSOR TIEFENBRUN

As she discusses everything from law school, her life experience, the study abroad program, or anything else you might want to ask!

Appetizers provided and Happy Hour specials until 6

SPONSORED BY JLR
Speed Networking

Wednesday, February 27th @ 6-8pm

Cafe Sevilla
353 5th Ave.
San Diego, CA 92101

Members: $5
Non-Members: $15

An assortment of tapas & 1 drink ticket included

RSVP by Monday, February 25th!
FLS@tjsl.edu

Come meet local attorneys in the following areas of law:
- Family
- Elder
- Juvenile
- Bankruptcy
- Estate Planning
  and more

Tick tock - you're on the clock! When we call stop, you're conversation must end. Then rotate to the next table and start again.
CLINICAL PROGRAMS
INFORMATIONAL SESSION
Thursday, February 28, 2013
11:30 am - 12:30 pm
Room 229
Learn about TJSL’s Clinical Programs that offer invaluable skills and experiences for your career as an attorney.

EXTERNSHIPS & PRO BONO PROGRAMS
THOMAS JEFFERSON SCHOOL OF LAW

VETERANS LEGAL ASSISTANCE CLINIC
THOMAS JEFFERSON SCHOOL OF LAW

SMALL BUSINESS LAW CENTER
THOMAS JEFFERSON SCHOOL OF LAW

MEDIATION CLINIC
THOMAS JEFFERSON SCHOOL OF LAW

Lunch will be provided. Please R.S.V.P. to epolanco@tjsl.edu by 2/25/2013.
Inter-School Mixer

Thursday, Feb. 28, 2013
6-8 p.m.
Quality Social
789 6th Avenue

Students from Cal Western and USD are also invited to attend.

Appetizers provided.

For more information, contact
Jennifer McCollough, IPLA President, at
McColJE@TJSL.edu
Jewish Student Union presents...

MATZO BALL EATING CONTEST

Surprise Grand Prizes!!

**Girls & Guys compete separately

WHERE: LEGEND
(7th Fl. deck overlooking Petco Park)
325 7th Ave., San Diego, CA 92101
WHEN: Thurs., Feb. 28, 2013
TIME: 7:30p.m.

Participants from...

DON'T FORGET TO RSVP TO baumrj@tjsl.edu

For more info, please visit our Facebook page: JSU - TJSL
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BE SURE TO CHECK OUT THE NEXT ALUMNI & STUDENT MIXER!
ON THURSDAY, MARCH 7

ALUMNI MIXERS ARE ALWAYS HELD ON THE FIRST THURSDAY OF EVERY MONTH

AT BEER & CO.
FROM 5-7 P.M.
602 BROADWAY
SAN DIEGO, CA
92101

FOOD AND DRINK SPECIALS AVAILABLE
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.
THOMAS JEFFERSON SCHOOL OF LAW
495 ELEVENTH AVENUE, SAN DIEGO, CA 92101

VETERANS SELF-HELP CLINIC
THOMAS JEFFERSON SCHOOL OF LAW

Every third Wednesday of the month, Thomas Jefferson School of Law’s new Self-Help Clinic will offer limited legal assistance for low to moderate income veterans. The clinic is open from 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. and appointments are required. No walk-ins will be allowed.

Each appointment will consist of a half-hour consultation with a licensed attorney and a law student. They will provide limited assistance only – not full or ongoing legal representation.

SERVICES AVAILABLE

ATTORNEY CONSULTATION
Half-hour consultation with an attorney and a law student to discuss your legal needs.

DOCUMENT ASSISTANCE
Assistance with filling out forms to be submitted to the court.

COMPUTER ACCESS
Access to computers to assist with filling out legal forms and conducting legal research.

DOCUMENT REVIEW
Have your pre-filled out forms reviewed prior to submitting them to the court.

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES
Receive information on how to move forward with your case.

MAKE AN APPOINTMENT AT (619) 961-4369
Academic Success & Writing Center Workshops Spring 2013

All workshops will be held on Wednesdays from 11:30 am to 12:45 pm

2/6/2013 Room 227
Reading Faster, Reading Smarter
This workshop focuses on case reading. It begins with a brief introduction to pre-reading and reading for context strategies, including review and assessment of the purpose for reading. Students will practice how to read cases faster and how to complete case briefs using this faster reading process.

2/13/2013 Room 323
Punctuation: Demystifying the Comma and Semicolon
This workshop reviews the correct use of the comma and semi-colon. The comma is most frequently used form of punctuation, but yet also the misused form. The workshop will discuss the basic comma rules that readers expect, the necessary commas that affect meaning and clarity, and commas for sophisticated writing. Further, students will review rules for using a semicolon effectively.

2/20/2013 Room 225
Transitioning to Legal Writing II (from Objective to Persuasive Writing)
This workshop begins with a brief lecture on the basics of legal writing, including inferential analysis and analogical reasoning and helps students transition from using these strategies in an objective writing context to a persuasive writing context.

2/27/2013 Room 227
Advanced Essay Exam Writing
This workshop reviews the elements of IRAC and emphasizes the importance of using mini-IRACs and headings in essay exam writing. It walks students through on-demand pre-writing and outlining strategies to help students prepare for writing more organized and analytical essays during exams. Students are offered the opportunity to complete a practice exam and submit it to the Writing Center for individualized meetings and feedback.

3/1/2013 Room TBD
Multiple Choice Workshop
This workshop will focus on effective strategies and tactics for multiple choice questions. Learn about the anatomy of multiple choice questions and how to weed out distractor answers from the best answer. Students will practice the strategies learned during the workshop to assist in honing their M/C skills.
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3/6/2013 and 3/13/2013 Room 227
Writing in Agreement (Part I and II)
This workshop focuses on correct writing skills, and specifically, subject-verb agreement, subject-noun agreement, verb tense, parallel structure and possessives. Students will complete practice problems to reinforce correct writing and agreement.

3/20/2013 Room 227
Writing with Clarity
The Writing with Clarity workshop is intended to hone the students’ writing skills in a manner that makes the content easy for the audience to read. The workshop will include lecture and practice relating to misplaced modifiers, vague referents, tricky pronouns, and transitional words.

4/3/2013 Room 227
Using Your Words Effectively
This workshop focuses on word selection for precision and conciseness. The bulk of the workshop will be spent completing practice problems, including word choice selection problems and editing wordy, cluttered statements for conciseness.

4/10/2013 Room 227
Countdown to Final Exams
This workshop begins with a brief overview of time management and planning strategies for the last month of classes, leading up to finals. Students participate in a reverse-scheduling and calendaring exercise to plot out what they need to do to successfully prepare for exams.

Weekend Writing Workshops (Saturdays 9 am -12pm)
These three-hour writing workshops will begin by discussing outlining and organizational learning schemes particular to the subject focus of the class, as well as how professors grade using rubrics and how students can organize their time more effectively to get the most points on their exams. Students will be provided rules to complete practice pre-writing and outlining activities. Students may be offered the opportunity to write a short essay and self-grade, or they may be afforded the opportunity to submit their practice essays to the Writing Center for individualized feedback.

The Center for Tax Law and Employee Benefits at The John Marshall Law School in Chicago is pleased to announce the 2013 Paul Faherty Tax Law Writing Competition. James Lynch, a partner at Winston & Strawn LLP, has graciously endowed this writing competition to honor Paul Faherty, former director of the Center for Tax Law and Employee Benefits.

Prizes and Eligibility

Awards include one grand prize of $3,000 and two honorable mentions, each $1,000.

Any student currently enrolled in an ABA-accredited law school in the U.S. may enter. Topics may include any aspect of tax law.

Submit papers by email to aberkow@jmls.edu by Sunday, March 31, 2013.

For further information, contact Professor Kathryn J. Kennedy, Director of the Center for Tax Law & Employee Benefits, at 7kennedy@jmls.edu or visit http://www.jmls.edu/academics/taxeb/writing-competition.php
***Discount offer***

The Law Library staff sent out a poll in September 2012 regarding student and employee interest in learning a foreign language utilizing Rosetta Stone® TOTALE®. There was an overwhelming response for a need and desire to learn a foreign language for studying abroad and personal enrichment. You spoke and we have listened!

We have secured better pricing for Thomas Jefferson School of Law students and employees than originally anticipated. For $240 you will receive online accessibility for up to 5 levels in the language of your choice for one full year. This will enable you to study whenever and wherever your schedule allows, from any computer or iPad with high speed internet accessibility. The Rosetta Stone® TOTALE® solution uses the latest voice recognition technology to assist, correct and improve the learner's pronunciation and enunciation of the language being learned, maximizing the results of the program. Additionally, you will have the option to spend time with a native speaking TOTALE® Studio coach that will guide you to more thorough language acquisition.

You must have a valid TJSLE username and password to attain this price. To purchase please go to: [http://www.tjsle.edu/library/rosetta-stone](http://www.tjsle.edu/library/rosetta-stone)

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PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

- Distinguished faculty from the U.S. include Thomas Jefferson School of Law Dean Rudy Hasl and Professors Susan Tiefenbrun, Aaron Schwabach and Claire Wright
- Distinguished faculty from China include Professors Hongdao Qian, Yongxin Song, Leslie Kwan-Hsi Wang and Jun Zhao
- Morning Classes, Monday - Friday
- Visit the Chinese Supreme Court in Beijing
- Organized weekend tours to Beijing and Xian, the city of the ancient terra cotta warriors

EARN 4 CREDITS IN 3 WEEKS

- International Business Transactions (co-taught by The Honorable Pierre Leval)
- Comparative Trial Advocacy
- International Environmental Law
- WTO Law and China
- Chinese Legal System and Its Reforms

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT:
Office of International and Comparative Law Programs
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Email: chinaprogram@tjsl.edu
Visit the China Program online at www.tjsl.edu/study-abroad/china
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JUNE 24 - JULY 18, 2013
with Distinguished International Guest Lecturer:
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Former Justice of the South African Constitutional Court
and Prosecutor of the International Criminal Tribunals
of the Former Yugoslavia and Rwanda

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  (co-taught by The Honorable Richard Goldstone)
• International and Comparative Drug Control Law
• International Intellectual Property
• International Trade Finance Law

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• Distinguished faculty includes Thomas Jefferson
  School of Law Professors Susan Tiefenbrun,
  Alex Kreit, Ben Templin and Richard Winchester
• International guest speakers
• Morning classes, Monday - Thursday
• Visit a French courthouse in Nice
• French conversation course (optional)
• Opportunities to visit Cannes, St. Tropez, Paris,
  Monaco, Venice and other renowned cities

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