



KIMBERLY ROTH

JUDGE ROGER BENITEZ '78

TJSL Spring Graduation is this Saturday

Thomas Jefferson School of Law's Spring Commencement will be held on Saturday, May 17, 2014, 10 a.m., at [Copley Symphony Hall](#) located at 750 B Street, in downtown San Diego. The doors will open at 9 a.m. the graduation ceremony starts promptly at 10 a.m.

Kimberly Roth, graduating Summa Cum Laude will be addressing the audience as Valedictorian. "I'm really excited to be valedictorian of my graduating class," said Roth. "It means all of my hard work over the past three years paid off! These past three years have flown by, but I am eager to graduate, pass the

bar, and enter the real world!" In addition to tutoring and mentoring other law students, Roth currently interns at the Attorney General's Office. She has previously interned for Disability Rights California and for the San Diego County Office of the District Attorney.

During her time in law school, Roth served as Editor for Thomas Jefferson's Law Review and Vice Chair of TJSL's Moot Court Competition Team – which Roth describes as representing some of her most memorable experiences at TJSL. "Our team is like a family to me and I have thoroughly enjoyed working hard for competitions with my fellow teammates," she said.

"I was fortunate to take classes with some of the best professors around that were enthusiastic about the subjects they taught, happy to be teaching, and willing to go out of their way to see their students succeed!" said Roth – who credits Professors Susan Bisom-Rapp, William Slomanson, Aaron Schwabach, Marybeth Herald, Julie Greenberg, Anders Kaye, K.J. Greene, Jane Seigel, Carmela Simoncini and Paul Spiegelman, for helping her develop her research, writing, and oral advocacy skills.

"I owe a huge *thank you* to everyone that helped me to be successful in law school. Most importantly, I would not be where I am today without the continuous love and support from my parents, sister, and friends. Their encouragement helped me work hard and push through the late study nights at the library and all-nighters at Lestat's Coffee House," added Roth.

The Spring 2014 commencement speaker will be Board of Trustees Member Federal Judge Roger T. Benitez '78. The Honorable Benitez was first appointed to the Superior Court of California in 1997, after previously working in general practice with a law firm. He served as Presiding Judge of the Appellate Division before being appointed as a United States Magistrate Judge for the Southern District in 2001. In 2004, he was appointed to the District Judge position he now holds. Judge Benitez has sat by designation numerous times with the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals and also has sat on assignment in Arizona, Guam and Saipan. He is a charter member of the Wallace Inn of Court, currently chairs the Southern District's IT Committee and is a member of the U.S. Judicial Conference Committee on Financial Disclosure, having been appointed by Chief Justice John Roberts.



Joscelyn Campbell II accepts Post Bar Clerkship at the SD Public Defenders Office

May 2014 grad Joscelyn Campbell II has secured a position at the San Diego Office of the Public Defender as a post bar law clerk. The Post Bar clerkship affords students the opportunity to experience the demanding practice of a public defender.

The program is nationally recognized and is designed to give students not just an understanding of the criminal justice system, but also hands on experience with trial advocacy and representing misdemeanor clients. Campbell applied for the paid position along with over 300 other applicants, and was selected as 1 of

the 11 post bar clerks. The program will begin on August 12th 2014, two weeks after the July 2014 California State Bar Examination.

Campbell has interned at the Public Defender's office for his entire 3L year. In the Fall 2013 semester, he worked at the Office of the Primary Public Defender. There, he worked with attorneys who provide legal assistance to individuals charged with crimes in state court who are financially unable to retain private counsel. There, Campbell wrote and argued motions, and conducted preliminary hearings under attorney supervision. In the Spring 2014 semester, Campbell worked in the Multiple Conflicts Office, where he worked with attorneys representing people who were charged with the most complicated and serious homicide and special circumstance cases throughout San Diego County, and who were financially unable to retain private counsel. As a post bar, Campbell will work with attorneys in the Central Misdemeanor Unit of the Public Defender's Office.

Campbell is excited for the opportunity. "It's a real blessing to be selected for this position," he says "it was a very competitive process, and I thank God that I was selected. I've worked at the Public Defender's Office for about a year now and I've loved every minute of it. It is tough but rewarding work and I look forward to continuing to grow in the office, and hopefully secure a permanent position there."

Campbell is thankful for all the help he received from Thomas Jefferson School of Law. "I am thankful for everything that TJSJL has provided for me in securing this position," said Campbell. "I'm thankful for the Trial Practice class I took while in school, and I'm also thankful for my Mock Trial teammates and coaches, Professors Lilys McCoy and Lea Fields-Bernard. My courtroom experience definitely helped me in securing this position." Campbell is also thankful for the school's Career Services Office. "Career Services was really critical in securing this position. I worked with Associate Director of Career Service Randy Reliford regularly, going over my resume and cover letter, doing mock interviews and constantly going over my job search strategy. This couldn't have been done without Mr. Reliford, and I'm truly appreciative of him."

Professor Meera Deo is a Visiting Professor at UCLA School of Law

TJSL Associate Professor Meera Deo is a Visiting Professor at UCLA School of Law for Spring 2014. In Fall 2013, she was a Visiting Scholar at Berkeley Law's Center for the Study of Law & Society. Professor Deo is a nationally-recognized interdisciplinary scholar who utilizes empirical methods to interrogate institutional diversity and affirmative action.

As a Visiting Professor at UCLA, Professor Deo is part of the Critical Race Studies faculty and has primary responsibility for teaching Asian American Jurisprudence. She has been fully immersed in the UCLA School of Law so far this semester. For instance, she is presenting research to the full faculty drawing from a forthcoming publication, participated as a guest speaker in a UCLA faculty colleague's course to present findings from a separate empirical project, and was a panel moderator for a student conference.

"I have been enjoying my time at UCLA School of Law tremendously! The interdisciplinary interests of the faculty are a wonderful asset to my scholarship," said Deo. "The students, faculty, and staff all have been warm and welcoming. While it has certainly been an interesting semester, I'm also looking forward to returning to my regular routine at TJSL."

Professor Deo practiced civil rights law with the ACLU National Legal Department in New York City, where she worked on impact litigation involving privacy and cyberspace law. She was later Staff Attorney for Women's Health, and Director of the Breast Cancer Legal Project at the California Women's Law Center, a statewide women's advocacy nonprofit based in Los Angeles. The National Science Foundation (NSF), the Paul & Daisy Soros Fellowship, and numerous University of California grants and awards supported her doctoral dissertation on social capital formation among members of law student organizations. Professor Deo currently serves on the Executive Committee for the AALS Section on Law and the Social Sciences and is an appointee to the California Commission on Access to Justice.

Professor Deo's interdisciplinary and empirical research on institutional diversity has been cited in numerous amicus briefs filed in the U.S. Supreme Court. Her scholarship draws from original empirical research to investigate the law student and law faculty experience. She is currently collecting, analyzing, and disseminating data for a landmark study of diversity in legal academia that examines how the intersectionality of race and gender affect tenure and promotion, work/life balance, institutional support, and other aspects of the personal and professional lives of American law faculty. She is a regular speaker at national and regional conferences including those organized by the Association of American Law Schools (AALS), Law & Society, the American Sociological Association (ASA), and the Association for the Study of Higher Education (ASHE). Professor Deo's scholarship has been published in leading law journals around the country including *Hastings Law Journal*, the *Michigan Journal of Race & Law*, the *Harvard Journal on Racial & Ethnic Justice*, and the *Journal of Legal Education*.



Jason Argos '10, Dean Thomas Guernsey and his wife Kathe Klare

Orange County Alumni Reception

OC area alumni gathered together at Hahn and Bowersock Corporation on Thursday, May 1 for a reception to welcome Dean Guernsey and his wife Kathe Klare.

Professor Meera Deo was also in attendance, supporting the TJSJL alumni efforts. "The OC mixer was a wonderful opportunity for TJSJL alumni currently living and working in Irvine, Costa Mesa, Newport, and even Long Beach to come together to meet the Dean and his wife. Even more importantly, it provided a venue for them to build community with each other. Many of the attendees were excited about continuing conversations at future OC alumni events," said Professor Meera Deo.

Matthew Zavala '09 said, "It was great seeing Dean Guernsey at the OC Alumni event. It is refreshing to witness the efforts being made to unite and strengthen TJSJL's alumni network." Zavala volunteered to be the new Orange County Alumni Group leader.

The next Orange County Alumni Mixer will be held on June 2 at 7:00 p.m. at Javier's Cantina and Grill, 45 Fortune Dr., Irvine, CA.



Judge Roy Paul '77 and Professor Meera Deo

L.A. Alums Give Back

On April 19th, the L.A. Alumni Chapter took the opportunity to volunteer at the Los Angeles Regional Food Bank assembling food packages for over 23,000 low income seniors, women with infants, and children in Los Angeles County.

The food packages consisted of food items like canned fruit, canned vegetables, rice, cereal and other non-perishable food items. "In just one afternoon, TJSJL Alums were able to make a tremendous difference in their community," said Sterling Williams '11.



Time to Register for the Alumni & Friends Golf Tournament

The Tournament to Support Our Veterans & TJSJL Students will be held on Friday, October 10, 2014 at [Salt Creek Golf Club](#) located at 525 Hunte Pkwy., Chula Vista, CA 91914.

9:30 – 11:00 a.m.	Registration & Putting Contest
11:00 a.m.	Shotgun Start, Scramble Format
4:30 – 5:30 p.m.	Cocktail Reception
5:30 – 7:00 p.m.	Awards Dinner



All proceeds from this annual Golf Tournament benefit the [Thomas Jefferson School of Law Veterans Legal Assistance Clinic](#), in collaboration with Veterans Village of San Diego, and current Thomas Jefferson School of Law students with the [New Guaranteed Merit Scholarship Program](#).

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Bottega Americana is pleased to offer students a variety of dining options in the form of meal plans.

Bottega Americana will offer a wide-range of food from the all day coffee bar, casual grab-and-go section to a full service dining experience in the **Bottega Americana** restaurant and bar.

Meal plan sign-up is available through the Student Finance Office. For students enrolled in the summer semester: if the money for the meal plan is not spent, funds will be rolled over to the fall semester.

Examples of the meal plan for the **SUMMER** session are:

If you choose the \$250 meal plan, you would receive approximately \$27 a week to spend on dining at **Bottega Americana**. That is the equivalent of approximately 3 meals per week.

If you choose the \$1500 meal plan, you would receive approximately \$166 a week to spend on dining at **Bottega Americana**. That is the equivalent of approximately 16 meals per week.

Questions related to how the meal plan works with financial aid should be directed to the Student Finance Office.

All other questions should be sent to Greg@bottegaamericano.com



Padres May Ballgame Discounts for TJSL

To redeem, visit www.padres.com/promo and scroll down to find the link listed as **Thomas Jefferson School of Law**

Once you click on the link, follow these steps to get your discounted Padres tickets:

Enter the Special Offer Code: TJSL14 (Do not enter email address here)

Create new Account (or use your existing one)

Select seat location(s)

Be sure to Print you tickets before getting to the Park

Friday, May 2 – Padres vs. Arizona Diamondbacks

Padres Spring BeerFest

Monday, May 5 – Padres vs. Kansas City Royals

Tuesday, May 6 – Padres vs. Kansas City Royals

First Responder Salute

Taco Tuesday

Saturday, May 10 – Padres vs. Miami Marlins

10th Anniversary Commemorative Canvas Art Collectible Giveaway Presented by Petco

Sunday, May 11 – Padres vs. Miami Marlins

Jr. Padres Play Catch on the Field

Jr. Padres Sunday Signings

Kids Fest

Military Spouse Appreciation Day Presented by USAA

Tuesday, May 20 – Padres vs. Minnesota Twins

Taco Tuesday

Friday, May 23 – Padres vs. Chicago Cubs

Padres Brownout and 1984 NL Champions Celebration

Sunday, May 25 – Padres vs. Chicago Cubs

Knockaround Sunglasses Giveaway Presented by Knockaround

Jr. Padres Sunday Signings

Kids Fest

Military Salute



Padres Game Day

PARKING AT THE PADRES PARKADE

**During Padres home games all students must exit the Padres Parkade
90 minutes prior to game time.**

<u>Game</u>	<u>Start Time</u>	<u>Must Exit Time</u>
Day	1:10pm	11:40am
Day	3:40pm	2:10pm
Evening	5:40pm	4:10pm
Evening	7:10pm	5:40pm

ALTERNATIVES TO PARKADE PARKING

For students who need to come to class or stay on campus after the time you must exit the Padres Parkade garage, there are four options:

Option 1 – Street Parking There is limited free street parking east of Park Boulevard and also North of G Street. The key to getting the free spots is to get to them early on in the day. We also offer security escorts for students back to their car during the evenings. Meter parking

is generally free after 6 p.m. in the surrounding area as well, but you have to pay for parking any time before 6 p.m..

Option 2 - Park at Trolley Lot & Ride Trolley to Campus Students can drive to one of the (3) free Trolley Station parking lots listed below and then take the trolley to the Law School. The Park & Market station on the Blue and Orange line is located directly across the street from the law school. A trolley day pass is \$5.00. You can also purchase a monthly trolley pass from the Business Office located on the 6th Floor for \$57.60.

Qualcomm Stadium Station (Mission Valley) – 5,000 Free Spaces 9449 Friars Rd.

Hazard Center Station (Fashion Valley) – 1,500 Free Spaces 7611 Hazard Center Dr.

Old Town Transit Center (Old Town) – 787 Free Spaces 4009 Taylor St.

Option 3 – Carpools There are a limited number of carpool spaces available in the underground parking garage underneath the law school building. To be eligible to park free of charge under the building, the carpool must consist of 3 or more people. You must email Assistant Director of Admissions, Justin Cruz at jcruz@tjisl.edu with the names of the 3 students who will be in the carpool, the make, model, color and license plate number for each car in the carpool group. All 3 students must be present at all times upon entering the parking garage. Confirmation will be sent once you are approved. Please be advised that space is limited. The law school garage entrance is located at 445 11th Avenue.

Option 4 – Alternative Parking Garages near Downtown The Padres host a web-site that lists other Parking Garages in the area that are available during the game. Please visit the following web-site for specifics regarding location and cost to park at the garages.

<http://sandiego.padres.mlb.com/sd/ballpark/transportation/index.jsp?content=downtownmap>.

If you have questions or a travel scenario that makes it difficult given the alternatives above or you are an evening class student contact Assistant Director of Admissions Justin Cruz at jcruz@tjisl.edu.



VETERANS LEGAL ASSISTANCE CLINIC

THOMAS JEFFERSON SCHOOL OF LAW

The VETERANS LEGAL ASSISTANCE CLINIC is now accepting applications for FALL 2014!

The Veterans Legal Assistance Clinic (VLAC) is a great opportunity to get real world, hands on legal practice experience, while also providing valuable assistance to those who have served our country and are now struggling.

Participation in VLAC fulfills the Professional Skills Requirement. As a VLAC intern, you must have 6 available units (3 during the summer), and can manage a 20 hour per week work schedule along with your other curricular and co-curricular commitments.

To apply, submit the following to Professor Berenson by e-mailing sberenson@tjsl.edu:

- 1) A brief statement of interest (no more than 1 page) explaining why you want to participate in the clinic providing any relevant experience you have;
- 2) Verification that you can meet the California Bar's requirements to practice as a law student (completion of your first year; good academic standing; and completion of, or simultaneously take Evidence and Civ. Pro.); and
- 3) Verification that you can handle the 20 hour per week case work requirement along with your other curricular and co-curricular commitments.



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May Graduation Information

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The doors open at 9 a.m. at [Copley Symphony Hall](#)



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The TJSL Library will be closed May 24th, 25th and 26th

Due to the Memorial Day holiday and scheduled SDG&E power outage.

SDG&E will be shutting down power on Saturday, May 24th and Sunday, May 25th to the TJSL building from 7 a.m. - 3 p.m.



TJSL LIBRARY CLOSED MAY 24 - 26

FACULTY SCHOLARSHIP

Citations Added May 4, 2014 - May 12, 2014

William Slomanson

Articles: *Unilateral Secession in a Multipolar World (Introductory Remarks)*, 107 AMERICAN SOCIETY OF INT'L LAW PROC. 211 (2014)

Presentations: *Nagorno-Karabakh is a case of remedial secession*, Interview by Nvard Chalikyan, Panorama News, Yerevan, Armenia (April 19, 2014), available at <http://www.panorama.am/en/interviews/2014/04/19/william-slomanson>

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