PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE

Over the past year, I have been reminded again how much we can accomplish together. Thanks to all you do, clinical legal education plays a more important part in American legal education than ever before and CLEA is strong and vibrant. Our current social and economic challenges have spurred renewed interest in reforming legal education and clinicians have been an important part of that conversation. Although much uncertainty remains, it seems we have made ourselves heard in the ABA’s Comprehensive Review of the Accreditation Standards. In that work, as in all the other important ways clinicians are helping to shape the future of legal education, we must continue to advocate for clinical education as fundamental to every lawyer’s education. With more than a thousand members, CLEA is an important voice and together we are making a difference.

CLEA Elections

Fall is CLEA elections season. Please check out the CLEA website in coming days for information about the candidates and watch out for your ballot in early November and vote. As an all volunteer membership organization, our elections are so important. Without paid staff or a permanent headquarters, CLEA is dependent on the energy and participation of its membership and the collective leadership of our Board, Officers and Committees. In this case, I want to thank Sameer Ashar for his exemplary leadership of our Elections Committee. I have learned that other groups in legal education attend to CLEA, in no small part, because we are generally perceived to have a large, engaged membership. Make sure you are a current CLEA member, make your voice heard through your ballot and don’t stop there. Come to membership meetings, join a committee and express your views.

Membership

Membership is at an all time high. This is the result of a multi-year campaign led by past Presidents Kim Connolly and Bob Kuehn, along with incoming President Leigh Goodmark. Their sustained leadership has seen us through our transition to a new website, much more robust membership systems, a new financial calendar and to our current position of real strength in membership. Many other folks assisted in this effort and while working on these internal issues does not make anyone famous, this effort has been so important to ensuring CLEA’s organizational coherence going forward.

ABA Advocacy

If internal systems like membership don’t garner much outside attention, ABA Advocacy has certainly been in the CLEA spotlight for quite a while. Since I last reported to you in June, the Standards Review Committee had its last meeting under long-serving Chair Dean Don Polden of Santa Clara in July.
In CLEA’s most recent submission to the SRC on Security of Position, we offered a comparison of four different proposals and the current Standard, noting that was then the current SRC subcommittee draft would eliminate reference to security of position from the Standard, a position quite different from current rules and the approaches suggested by CLEA, the SRC Subcommittee Alternative Draft for the July 2011 meeting and the ABA Special Committee on the Professional Education Continuum. CLEA also submitted a comment on Bar Passage Requirements in which we urged that the current standard be retained to promote both curricular reform supportive of clinical education and diversity in legal education and the profession.

You can read the CLEA/SALT report on the meeting as well as view the SoP alternative drafts discussed at that meeting at the CLEA website (http://clea.memberlodge.org). CLEA also submitted a comment to the Council on Legal Education regarding the Proposed Model Rule on Admission of Foreign Educated Lawyers, which is also posted on the CLEA website. Thanks to all who participated in formulating and drafting our comments and thanks, to Claudia Angelos for attending the meeting, as she has throughout this process.

The Council on Legal Education met at the ABA meeting in Toronto in August. CLEA submitted a report to the Council and gave a brief oral report. The August meeting marked the end of the term for Council Chair Christine Durham, Justice of the Utah Supreme Court and the beginning of the one year term of Chair John O’Brien, Dean at New England School of Law.

The next Standards Review Committee meeting is in early November in Chicago. The CLEA Board has initiated a review of our advocacy on accreditation matters and the CLEA ABA Advocacy Committee will be considering our position in advance of the November meeting.

CLEA at the AALS Mid-Winter Meeting

CLEA will be holding a membership meeting and a Board meeting at the AALS Mid-Winter meeting in Washington, DC in January. All are welcome to attend and I urge you to join us and get involved.

This is the final President’s message of my term. Please accept my sincerest thanks for the opportunity to serve our community. It has been a demanding, at times challenging but very fulfilling time. While I will regret when the band no longer plays every time I walk into a room, I look forward to supporting CLEA and our shared mission in new ways. So thanks again and as I have asked many times this year, what have you done for CLEA today?

Ian Weinstein
CLEA President, 2011
Southern Clinical Conference
On August 4 and 5 the Southern Region held its first Clinical Conference in approximately a decade. It was hosted by the University of Alabama in Tuscaloosa, and despite rescheduling due to the tornados that struck this spring, attendance was good, with 40 participants from 11 states. The conference opened with Sandy Ogilvy, Catholic University and historian of the CLEA archives, sharing the history of clinical programs in the region, setting a tone for the next discussion of current issues facing clinicians. The subsequent panel of Lisa Bliss, Bob Kuehn and Doug Blaze provided perspectives from Best Practices, C-SALE data, and Deans’ office vantage points.

The day continued with eight concurrent sessions in four rounds on a range of topics from teaching fact finding to enhancing social justice opportunities for law students. Meals and the reception hosted by the AALS Clinical Section allowed for real interchange and lively discussions. Newer clinicians, in particular, noted that they appreciated a more intimate sized conference, and felt they developed a base of contacts they can expand at the annual section conference.

Day Two began with a plenary on disaster legal relief with a panel of Bill Quigley, Davida Finger, JoNel Newman and Anne Hornsby. The panel was followed by a group discussion of ways for clinics to take leadership roles in preparation and in the wake of community disasters.

As a parting task, participants overwhelmingly agreed to make the Southern Conference an annual event . . . so watch for future plans, y’all.

AMERICAN UNIVERSITY, WASHINGTON COLLEGE OF LAW

Professor Brenda V. Smith is serving as Acting Director of the Clinical Program during the 2011-2012 academic year. Smith teaches in the Community and Economic Development Law Clinic and directs the Project on Addressing Prison Rape. She recently co-authored a report on Women in Detention for U.N. Special Rapporteur Rashida Mangoo, contributed to a Voices of Witness publication, Narratives of Women in Prison and received a grant to develop research, resources, and training on sexual violence in custodial settings. Last May, the family of former Guatemalan President Jacobo Arbenz Guzmán signed an historic settlement with the Republic of Guatemala at the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights, ending a nearly 60 year dispute between the Arbenz family. The Arbenz family was represented by student attorneys in the International Human Rights Law Clinic, supervised by Professor Rick Wilson.

Professor Binny Miller, who teaches in the Criminal Justice Clinic (CJC), gave welcoming remarks on behalf of CLEA (she is a CLEA board member) at the Applied Legal Storytelling conference at the University of
University of Baltimore’s School of Law’s clinical program hosted our first ever clinical symposium and alumni event on September 22, 2011. Co-sponsored by the UB Law Review, which will publish some of the papers presented at the symposium, the event featured presentations by Professors Susan Brooks (Drexel), Binny Miller (Washington College of Law, American University), Margaret E. Johnson (University of Baltimore), Catherine Klein and Lisa Martin (Columbus School of Law, Catholic University of America). Following the symposium, the University of Baltimore School of Law’s endowed chair in clinical education was awarded to Professor Robert Rubinson. Professor Rubinson is the second Dean Gilbert A. Holmes Professor of Clinical Theory and Practice; Professor Jane Murphy, the first recipient, held the chair for five years. The event also recognized 2010 Family Law Clinic graduate Elizabeth Kenderdine, the first recipient of the Venable House of Ruth Fellowship, a fellowship that grew out of a pilot project facilitated by the office of Vice President Joe Biden.

The University of Baltimore School of Law Center for Families, Children and the Courts

Professor Barbara Babb, director of the University of Baltimore School of Law Center for Families, Children and the Courts (CFCC), will be recognized as one of the Maryland Legal Aid Bureau’s 100 Champions of Human Rights and Justice during the Maryland Legal Aid Centennial Celebration on September 24.

CFCC has received new and continued support for its Truancy Court Program, an early intervention, therapeutic, and interdisciplinary program that collaborates with District and Circuit Court judges to identify and address the reasons that underlie truant behavior. The Krieger Family Fund has provided a new grant and the Maryland Administrative Office of the Courts has continued funding for the program for the Baltimore City Public Schools for the 2011-2012 school year. In addition, the US Department of Justice has supported the TCP’s expansion into other Maryland counties.

CFCC will publish the Fall/Winter edition of its popular Unified Family Court Connection newsletter in October. The forthcoming issue will focus on the child welfare system. CFCC also soon will release its Benchbook on Substance Abuse and Addiction for Family Courts. The benchbook will provide information of interest and relevance to family court judges, judicial officers, and court staff who are called to deal, directly and indirectly, with substance abuse issues on a daily basis.

BARRY UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW

The faculty and administration of Barry University has added an additional tenure track line to clinics. We have had the pleasure of having Kate Aschenbrenner as a visiting colleague running our Immigration Clinic for the past two years. Partially due to Kate’s great work and partially due to the School’s commitment to clinical legal education, the School has converted Kate’s position to a tenure track position effective this semester. This increases the schools tenure track clinical lines to four. We have an externship line and three lines for in-house clinics (Earth Advocacy, Immigration and Children & Families). Kate came to us two years
ago to create and run our immigration clinic after completing a fellowship at Georgetown in the Center for Applied Legal Studies. Prior to her Georgetown fellowship, Kate had taught in the Immigration Clinic at St. Thomas University School of Law in Miami and served as a legal services lawyer representing immigrants for three years in St. Petersburg Florida. Before this service, Kate served as a law clerk for Jack B. Weinstein, federal district court judge in New York City. In addition to creating our Immigration clinic, Kate co-organized and ran the Haitian TPS Project of Central Florida with local non-profits, giving students the opportunity to assist eligible Haitians with their applications for temporary protected status after the earthquake.

CHASE COLLEGE OF LAW

Chase College of Law at Northern Kentucky University continues to strengthen its clinical legal education program. This fall we are delighted to announce the hiring of two new unitary tenure-track professors. Professor David Singleton joins our tenure track faculty after several years as a visiting professor teaching our Constitutional Litigation Clinic. Professor Amy Halbrook comes to us from Illinois to start up the new Chase Children’s Law Center Clinic. I am so very pleased both to have these top professionals joining our team and to have the support of the Chase faculty and administration in improving our school and its commitment to creating practice ready attorneys.

Amy Halbrook – Professor Halbrook received her J.D. from Northwestern University School of Law, and her B.A. in American Studies from the University of California, Berkeley. She is now serving as the Director of the NKU Chase Children's Law Center Clinic, a partnership between the Chase College of Law and the Children's Law Center in Covington, Kentucky. Before joining the Chase faculty, Amy completed clinical teaching fellowships in the Northwestern University School of Law's Children and Family Justice Center and the Loyola University Chicago Civitas Child Law Clinic. In addition to running the clinic, Amy will teach family law.

David A. Singleton – Professor Singleton received his J.D., cum laude, from Harvard Law School in 1991, and his A.B. in Economics and Public Policy, cum laude, from Duke University in 1987. Upon graduation from law school, Professor Singleton received a Skadden Fellowship to work at the Legal Action Center for the Homeless in New York City. He then worked as a public defender for seven years, first with the Neighborhood Defender Service of Harlem and then with the Public Defender Service for the District of Columbia. In 2002, Professor Singleton became the Executive Director of the Ohio Justice & Policy Center, a position he continues to hold. At Chase, Professor Singleton teaches the Constitutional Litigation Clinic, which gives third and fourth year students the opportunity to represent prisoners and former offenders in federal court civil rights matters at both the trial and appellate levels. He will continue to teach doctrinal courses as well.

CITY UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK

Amna Akbar is working with our Immigrant & Refugee Rights Clinic and Defender Clinic students on a collaborative project called CLEAR (Creating Law Enforcement Accountability & Responsibility) which seeks to address the unmet legal needs of Muslim, Arab, South Asian and other NYC communities particularly affected by national security and counterterrorism policies and practices. Amna’s prior work includes supervising students in the International Human Rights Clinic at NYU, and directing the Asian Battered Women’s Project at Queens Legal Services.

Diala Shamas is also working with project CLEAR. A recent law school graduate, she brings her experience with the National Litigation Project and Transnational Development Clinic at Yale, as well as her pre-law school experience with B’Tselem, a human rights organization based in Jerusalem, where she developed a human rights documentation initiative in the occupied territories.

Cindy Soohoo is directing our International Women’s Human Rights Clinic. She had previously been the Director of the U.S. Legal Program at the Center for Reproductive Rights, and before that had worked at Columbia Law School supervising students in the Human Rights Clinic and directing the Bringing Human Rights Home Project of the Human Rights Institute. Cindy is a founding board member of the U.S. Human Rights Network, and served as co-chair of the American Constitution Society’s Working Group on International Law
and the Constitution.

**John Whitlow** is teaching in our Community Economic Development Clinic. A proud alum, he returned to CUNY having worked at Make the Road New York supervising the organization’s housing and benefits legal services. John also worked at Bedford Stuyvesant Community Legal Services, and the Community Development Project of the Urban Justice Center where he focused on group housing litigation and transactional work on behalf of organizational clients.

**UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO SCHOOL OF LAW**

This year, the two sections of Colorado Law’s criminal defense clinic are expanding the ways in which student attorneys experience defense work. In Professor Violeta Chapin’s section, student attorneys will handle cases in which clients have both a pending criminal matter and are in detention in the federal immigration center outside Denver. Pairing defense and immigration advocacy provides students with an intensive look at two different adversarial settings, as well as introduces them to the increasing conflation of the two areas of law – colloquially referred to as “crimmigration.” Professor Ann England’s students will pair traditional defense work with investigations from the Colorado Innocence Project, which is now housed at the Law School. The pairing will allow students to experience the realities of criminal defense practice in misdemeanor cases, while then taking a more forensic look at the challenges of defense practice through Innocence Project cases.

Colorado Law also welcomes **Michael Soules** as the new head of the Natural Resources Clinic. Mike comes to Boulder from Minneapolis, where he had been an attorney at the Environmental Law & Policy Center. Mike’s clinic will continue to work on issues related to endangered species, use of federal lands, and climate change effects in the Rocky Mountain region.

**COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW**

**Philip Genty** was involved in several international activities during the spring and summer. In May, he visited the Law Faculty of Palacký University, Olomouc, Czech Republic. He gave a presentation and conducted a workshop at a conference on legal ethics education; observed classes; consulted with clinical and lawyering skills faculty; and taught a class on supervision issues for clinic students. Later in May, he planned and conducted a Clinical Workshop on “Pedagogical Challenges of Teaching Skills,” in Tbilisi, Georgia, for faculty from three Georgian law schools. In July, he participated in the Global Alliance for Justice Education (GAJE) 6th Worldwide Conference, in Valencia, Spain. He and a Croatian colleague collaborated on a presentation entitled, “An Examination of the Challenges, Successes, and Setbacks for Clinical Legal Education in Eastern Europe.”

After almost 20 years teaching the Mediation Clinic at Columbia Law School, **Prof. Carol Liebman** taught the course for the last time during the Spring 2011 semester. She is currently on a half time schedule, directing and teaching a section of Columbia's Negotiation Workshop and continuing her research on conflict resolution in healthcare.
Mary Gundrum is a new visiting clinical professor at FIU College of Law. She teaches in FIU’s Immigrant Children’s Justice Clinic. Before coming to FIU, she worked as managing attorney and head of litigation at Florida Immigrant Advocacy Center for 8 years. Before that she worked as Associate Director of one and legal services attorney at two legal services law firms during which she litigated class actions and law reform cases on behalf of low income persons in state and federal courts. She also worked at a national civil rights law firm, the Center for Constitutional Rights in New York City.

FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY

The Medical-Legal Partnership, a collaboration between the Florida State University Colleges of Law and Medicine, is an innovation in interdisciplinary education. Law students partner with medical students, social work students, lawyers and physicians to examine patients’ social determinants of health. Students work inter-professionally to ascertain the best methods to resolve the health problems of impoverished patients. Each semester, eight law students meet with potential clients at the Neighborhood Health Services, and tackle the disability rights and immigration cases that the clients present. The effort combines service learning education with collaborative approaches to holistic problem solving for indigent individuals. Clinical Professor Wendi Adelson directs the Medical-Legal Partnership which is the third clinic in the school’s Public Interest Law Center.

UNIVERISTY OF DENVER, STURM COLLEGE OF LAW

Faculty Highlights
Patience Crowder
Assistant Professor
Community Economic Development Clinic

“At SEA (Sympathy, Empathy, and Apathy): Teaching Students to Distinguish Between and Strategically Select Modes of Communication,” co-presented with Profs. Robin Walker Sterling and Christopher Lasch at the Association of American Law Schools Conference on Clinical Legal Education, Seattle, WA (June 16, 2011).

Politics: A North-South Debate workshop, Denver, CO (April 6, 2011).
**Professor Chris Lasch:** “At SEA (Sympathy, Empathy, and Apathy): Teaching Students to Distinguish Between and Strategically Select Modes of Communication,” co-presented with Profs. Robin Walker Sterling and Patience Crowder at the Association of American Law Schools Conference on Clinical Legal Education, Seattle (June 16, 2011).

“Jury Instructions: The Second Closing Argument,” a CLE for the Colorado Criminal Defense Bar, at the University of Denver Sturm College of Law (July 15, 2011).

**Chris Lasch** (and Robin Walker Sterling) served as faculty members for the Southern Public Defender Training Center’s annual training conference. Faculty members for the SPDTC are experienced professors and practitioners who are or have been public defenders and participate by invitation only. The SPDTC annual training conference aims to teach students the “heartset, mindset, and soulset” of a public defender, concentrating on teaching skills in a setting that reinforces professional values and ethics. I facilitated small-group workshops with other faculty and gave students feedback as they learned advocacy skills in the context of a simulated case (August 2011).

**Laura Rovner**

**Ronald V. Yegge Clinical Director**

**Associate Professor**

**Civil Rights Clinic**


**Robin Walker Sterling**

**Assistant Professor**

**Criminal Defense Clinic**

“Counseling Children and Youth in Times of Crisis: Tips to Achieve Success and Avoid Pitfalls,” co-presented in a national teleconference call co-sponsored by the American Bar Association Section of Litigation Children’s Rights Litigation Committee (March 8, 2011).


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**Announcements**

**Chris Lasch**

**Assistant Professor**

**Criminal Defense Clinic**
Chris Lasch succeeded in overturning a death sentence in one of his death penalty cases from Kentucky. A state court judge overturned John Mills’ death sentence based on evidence received in state post-conviction proceedings, which were lawyered by Professor Lasch and his wife, Elizabeth Stovall. The judge vacated Mills’ death sentence based on the ineffectiveness of Mills’ trial counsel, who called a single witness at mitigation—Mills’ sister. She testified for a mere three minutes. Based on the evidence presented in post-conviction proceedings, at which Lasch and Stovall called 16 mitigation witnesses, the court found trial counsel’s mitigation investigation “perfunctory at best” and held there was “an abundance of mitigating evidence available to trial counsel” that was not presented (August 22, 2011).

Environmental Law Clinic
The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service has proposed to list the Philippine cockatoo and the yellow-crested cockatoo (including all four subspecies) as “endangered” and the white cockatoo as “threatened” due to a variety of threats, primarily the illegal collection of the birds for global trade. In January 2008, the Friends of Animals, represented by the Environmental Law Clinic at the University of Denver Sturm College of Law petitioned the Service requesting 14 species be protected under the Endangered Species Act (August 9, 2011).

Community Economic Development Clinic
This fall marks the launch of the inaugural class of the Community Economic Development Clinic. Ten 2L and 3L students represent a wide variety of organizational clients, including a furniture designer, a video game retailer with multiple locations, an environmental consultant, a nonprofit organization promoting the role of youth advocacy in environmental justice, and a neighborhood

Maryland Law Has a New Name:
The W. P. Carey Foundation made a thirty million dollar commitment to the law school to support faculty and programs. As a result of this major gift, the law school has changed its name and will be known as the University of Maryland Francis King Carey School of Law. Francis King Carey, Class of 1880, who died in 1944, was a founding member of two of the nation's most successful and innovative law firms (first Steele, Semmes and Carey later to be known as Semmes, Bowen and Semmes and second Carey, Piper and Hall which eventually would become Piper Rudnick and later would merge into DLA Piper

Major Gift Expands Health Clinic Offerings:
With the generous gift of 1.3 million dollars, the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation (RWJF) announced the creation of the Public Health Law Network, a national network designed to provide answers to professionals grappling with complex public health challenges that may warrant legal and policy solutions. As part of this gift, UM Carey Law established the Public Health Law Clinic taught by Professor Kathleen Dachille. This clinic will provide an experiential learning opportunity for law students interested in working on public health policy at the state and local level as well as the national and international level. Students will be engaged in advocacy before the state and local legislatures, contribute to national litigation and policy development and assist developing countries create and implement sound tobacco control programs.
Consumer Protection Clinic Receives Cy Pres Award:

The Consumer Protection Clinic was presented with a cy pres award of $395,000 on May 5 as the result of funds that went unclaimed through a class action suit in Montgomery County courts more than a decade ago. The Consumer Protection Clinic was one of 13 consumer advocacy programs in Maryland to receive part of the $2.4 million judgment. The award will enable the School of Law to continue operating the Consumer Protection Clinic, after financial cuts nearly shut its doors. "We had already taken steps to close it down," Jacob A. France Professor Michael Millemann said in a May 6 Washington Post article about the award. "This has been a long time coming, but from our perspective, it's a terrific result."

Prof. Weber Receives $350,000 OSI Grant:

Professor Ellen Weber and the Drug Policy Clinic, which she directs, were recently awarded a $350,000 grant from the Open Society Institute to support Advancing Access to Addiction Treatment, a two-year project. The purpose of the grant is to support the Drug Policy Clinic’s research, education and advocacy efforts to ensure expanded access to addiction treatment services in Maryland as the federal health care reform legislation is implemented. The results generated will form a centerpiece of Professor Weber's sabbatical research."Health care reform provides a unique opportunity to integrate addiction treatment into mainstream medical care, and to ensure the delivery of comprehensive addiction services in both the public and private health care systems," Weber said in a recent email. "The generous support of the Open Society Institute will enable the Drug Policy Clinic to work with its partners to achieve these goals in Maryland." Professor Weber is a nationally recognized expert on drug policy, and her interest in a multi-strategy legal practice, including legislative advocacy, individual client representation, and community organizing and education is reflected in the Drug Policy Clinic’s work. Her research interests include disability rights, the development and analysis of state and national drug policy, health privacy, women's health care, and the integration of addiction treatment in mainstream medical practice.
Prof. Peter Holland, visiting law school assistant professor, was recently honored by the Maryland Association for Justice (formerly known as the Maryland Trial Lawyers Association) with its Simon K. Walton Civil Justice Award. He was presented with this honor at the Association’s 58th Annual President’s Dinner, which was held on May 13, 2011, at The Engineer’s Club of Baltimore. Prof. Holland received this honor in recognition of his legal work in representing consumers in debt collection and foreclosure cases. The Simon K. Walton Civil Justice Award is given to an organization or person who was injured and/or acted on behalf of injured consumers. The recipients, through their work, demonstrated a compassion and commitment to keeping Maryland families safe through advocacy on behalf of Maryland consumers, and/or on behalf of those seeking to advance or preserve access to the courts.

Sherrilyn Ifill has been appointed board chair of U.S. Programs of the Open Society Foundations. A professor at the University of Maryland School of Law since 1993, Professor Ifill teaches and writes on the importance of judicial diversity and impartiality in judicial decision-making. She previously served on the boards of U.S. Programs and the Open Society Institute in Baltimore.

JustAdvice®, the legal services program that helps people of modest means find direction in their search for legal advice, won the Herbert S. Garten Special Project Award from the Pro Bono Resource Center (PBRC) of Maryland. The awards recognize “an outstanding contribution to the delivery of pro bono or free civil legal services to Maryland's low-income population,” according to the PBRC. JustAdvice is operated by law students who organize and advertise the services of the clinic for people who may not be able to afford an attorney but make too much money to qualify for legal aid. For $10, customers can meet with practicing and retired attorneys who listen to their problems and help devise a roadmap to help the customers navigate their law-related issues. Law students sitting in on sessions learn from the attorneys about providing client service. Visiting Law School Assistant Professor Leigh Maddox oversees the program. She accepted the Garten award on behalf of the JustAdvice team on June 11 during the Maryland State Bar Association's annual meeting in Ocean City.
Presentations

Jane Barrett
Presented "the Clean Water Act and the Chesapeake Bay" at Washington College in Chestertown, MD.,

Presented "Criminal Law & the Response to Catastrophe: A statutory Framework," at the University of Houston Law School.

Presented "Citizen Suits Litigation Under the Clean Water Act" at the Waterkeepers International Conference in Chicago, IL.

Barbara Bezdek:
Presented "Third sector of not-for-profit organizations and social enterprises" at a conference in Beijing China. Guest Lecturer on topics in community development at universities throughout China, including Changchun, Guangzhou, Hefei, Lanzhou and Xi’an.

Deborah Thompson Eisenberg
Presented "Overview of Civil Procedure in U.S. Courts" to judges from Jiangsu, China.

Panelist for "Hot Topics in Unemployment Insurance" at the Labor and Employment Relations Association 63rd Annual Meeting in Denver, CO.

Moderated a Works-in-Progress session about Clinical Pedagogy at the AALS Clinical Law Conference in Seattle, WA.

MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY COLLEGE OF LAW

The Michigan State University College of Law Housing Law Clinic announces its Fair Housing Project, an educational and community outreach and advocacy effort designed to increase public knowledge of fair housing laws in Michigan and around the country. The project will consist of increased educational efforts led by Housing Law Clinic student clinicians during the 2011–12 academic year. Students will help coordinate educational programs for the public, research and write publications on fair housing, provide informational materials via the clinic’s website, arrange guest lectures by experts in the field, and collaborate with fair housing centers across the state. Fair Housing Project initiatives will focus on Lansing, East Lansing, and the surrounding
region of Ingham, Eaton, and Clinton Counties. The project is designed to address a lack of fair housing resources in the immediate area.

**Small Business & Nonprofit Clinic Receives Inclusive Excellence Grant**
Professor Nicole S. Dandridge, Director of the MSU College of Law Small Business & Nonprofit Clinic recently secured a Creating Inclusive Excellence Grant from the Michigan State University Office for Inclusion and Intercultural Initiatives. Creating Inclusive Excellence Grants are awarded for MSU projects, programs, and proposals aimed at creating and supporting an inclusive university. The grants promote efforts to enhance the values of quality, connectivity, and inclusiveness within the university’s educational and work environments.

The grant provides funds for the clinic’s year-long Community Economic Development Inclusiveness Project to create an interdisciplinary cultural intelligence and advanced business law curriculum for students who then will provide legal assistance to campus and community entrepreneurs, with a heightened outreach to the Chinese community. The clinic is currently working in partnership with several university units and nonprofit organizations to implement the project. The clinic has developed a special curriculum where students will receive cultural competency and multi-cultural business training and instruction. The trained law students will reach out to the diverse campus and local community through business and nonprofit legal business education seminars and events.

**The Kalamazoo Pro Bono Project**
Together with the Kalamazoo Region Small Business and Technology Development Center, Kalamazoo Chamber of Commerce, ONEPlace at Kalamazoo Public Library, Community Legal Resources and the Kalamazoo Bar Pro Bono Committee, the SBNP Clinic helped to develop and implement a project to build cooperative assistance for small businesses and nonprofit organizations in the Kalamazoo, MI area. A formal Kalamazoo Pro Bono Project was formed, whereby the clinic presented 3 Legal Education Seminars and provided over 20 direct legal services to small businesses and nonprofit organizations.

**UNIVERSITY OF NORTH DAKOTA SCHOOL OF LAW**

Assistant Professor Robin Runge was appointed to the American Bar Association’s Commission on Homelessness and Poverty.
Assistant Professor Dana Malkus co-led a workshop entitled "Engaging Students for Transactional Practice" at the Summer Conference of the Institute for Law Teaching and Learning held at New York Law School on June 1-3. She also presented her poster presentation entitled "Why Did I Think That? Critically Examining Assumptions" at the AALS Conference on Clinical Legal Education held in Seattle, Washington, on June 12-16.

Professor John Ammann was a speaker on a panel on “Clinics and Social Justice” at the Health Professors Conference in Chicago on June 10. He also spoke at the annual AALS Conference on Clinical Legal Education in Seattle on June 15 as part of a panel on “The Role of Religion in Law.”

Associate Professor Susan McGraugh gave a presentation at the Global Alliance for Justice Educators Conference in Valencia, Spain on July 13, 2011. The presentation was entitled "Just Enough Science to Make You Dangerous: Integrating Forensic Science Education Into the Law School and Legal Clinic Curriculum". The conference was attended by over 300 justice educators from 80 different countries.

SETON HALL LAW SCHOOL CENTER FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE

Presentations

Lori Nessel, Seton Hall Law School Professor of Law and Director of the Seton Hall Law School Center for Social Justice, was a panelist on “Engaging Students in Cross-Border Investigations of Human Rights Conditions: Challenges and Opportunities” at the Global Access to Justice Education conference, in Valencia, Spain, on July 11, 2011.

Shavar Jeffries, Associate Professor of Law, Seton Hall Law School Center for Social Justice, will appear as a panelist to discuss the film, “Moral Panic: More Heat than Light,” in October 2011. The film depicts the life of gangs in Newark and other Essex County, NJ areas, as well as prisoner re-entry. The Center for Social Justice is co-sponsoring the event at the law school. In June 2011, Prof. Jeffries discussed Education Reform in Newark at the Newark Regional Business Partnership.

Professor Kevin Kelly, Associate Clinical Professor of Law, Seton Hall Law School Center for Social Justice, presented on Child Custody for the New Jersey Child Support Hearing Officer Program in September 2011. In addition, he was appointed recently to the New Jersey State Bar Association Pro Bono Task Force: Closing the Justice Gap.
**Programs**

The Seton Hall Law Center for Social Justice and the Seton Hall Haiti Rule of Law Project hosted in August 2011 an inaugural delegation of Haitian high school students who were brought to the U.S. through the Youth Ambassador Program sponsored by the U.S. Department of State, and organized through a local YMCA chapter. The high school students participated in lectures given by Seton Hall Law professors, including **Professor Lori Nessel**, the Director of the Seton Hall Law School Center for Social Justice, **Professor Shavar Jeffries**, and **Professor Jonathan Hafetz**. The students were provided an overview of the Haiti Rule of Law Project and its relationship with the Ecole Superieure Catholique de Droit de Jeremie. Haiti Rule of Law Co-Presidents, **Kimberly Krone, ’12**, a Center for Social Justice Scholar, and **Narline Casimir, ’12**, as well as **William Snowden, ’12**, a newly-named Center for Social Justice Scholar, were instrumental in facilitating the program.

The Seton Hall Law School Center for Social Justice has established a **Rule of Law Program in Guatemala**. **Professor Lori Nessel**, **Clinical Teaching Fellow Rachel Lopez** and Seton Hall Law students are traveling to Guatemala in October 2011. The program is designed to expose students to issues involving access to justice in a country that faces great challenges and to identify ways that the Center for Social Justice can support human rights work and the development of the rule of law in Guatemala.

Thomas Jefferson School of Law (TJSL) is pleased to announce the opening of its second full service, in house legal clinic – the Small Business Law Center (SBLC). Under the supervision of Professor Luz Herrera, students will work with entrepreneurs, small businesses and non-profits that do not have access to legal representation. They will provide legal assistance to clients in the following areas: business formation, contract review and negotiation, commercial leasing, subsidized property transactions, nonprofit tax exemption, permitting and licensing, and employment issues. The SBLC plans to increase its offerings to target the fledging arts community in San Diego next spring, when it will add legal services involving copyright and trademark law. Students providing such services will be supervised by Professor Jeff Slattery.
Within weeks, the SBLC will move into a brand new, state-of-the-art law office, in TJSL’s recently completed East Village campus. The SBLC will join TJSL’s existing in house clinic, the Veterans Legal Assistance Clinic (directed by Professor Steve Berenson), in the new clinic space. TJSL also offers students “live client” experiences in mediation (under the direction of Professor Ellen Waldman) and income tax assistance (under the direction of Professor Richard Winchester), as well as an extremely robust externship program (under the direction of Professor Judybeth Tropp).

WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY (St. Louis) SCHOOL OF LAW

PATENT LAW FIELD PLACEMENT
The school is offering a new Washington, D.C. area intellectual property field placement for students pursuing a career focused on the preparation, filing, and prosecution of patent applications. Students in the Patent Law Field Placement work full-time in either the fall or spring semester at the law firm of Oliff & Berridge in Alexandria, Va. The students are expected to perform as first-year associates and will prepare responses to patent office actions, draft amended patent claims, and prepare communications with clients. After formal training, the students are paired with a mentor at the firm and given a slate of projects for the semester. The new field placement is part of the school’s Intellectual Property & Technology Law Program, which includes an Intellectual Property & Nonprofit Organizations Clinic and an LL.M. in Intellectual Property and Technology Law.

New York City Regulatory and Business Externship
The school has just enrolled its first students in the New York City Regulatory & Business Externship. The semester-long clinical experience gives students the opportunity to learn firsthand about the practice and regulation of business associations, investment banking, and corporate and securities regulation. The placement sites for the students include the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority (FINRA), New York City Department of Finance, Standard & Poor’s/McGraw Hill, and New York Attorney General’s Office. The program is modeled on the school’s longstanding, highly-successful Congressional & Administrative Law Externship in Washington, D.C.
UPCOMING CONFERENCES

ABA’s Forum on Affordable Housing and Community Development Law:
The Forum’s Midyear Conference is October 13 to 15 at the Nines Hotel in Portland Oregon. One of the ways legal educators can assist our students with finding jobs in the affordable housing and community development field is by hosting a career panel at our respective institutions. The Forum has a Law School Initiative that, among other activities, provides support for career panels featuring affordable housing and community development practitioners.

Join lawyers, law school clinicians and advocates at the 2011 Equity Summit sponsored by PolicyLink. The fourth PolicyLink conference entitled “Healthy Communities, Strong Regions, A Prosperous America” will be held in Detroit November 8 to 11. The conference will bring together lawyers, advocates, policy makers, foundation officials and others to share a vision for more sustainable and equitable development that provides access to jobs, transportation, education, health and housing for all. For more information and to register go to www.policylink.org. At the conference, watch for details about a caucus for lawyers and legal advocates. Feel free to contact co-chairs Dana Thompson (drt Thomp@umich.edu) or Diane Dube (diane.dube@wmitchell.edu) if you have any suggestions about how to make the Legal Educators Division a useful resource for you and your students.

The National Association of Women Judges (NAWJ) is hosting its annual international conference in Newark, New Jersey on October 12-16. On October 14th, there will be a symposium at Rutgers Law School entitled Promoting Global Equality for Women Through the Law and on October 15th, Seton Hall Law School will host break-out sessions on various topics including domestic violence, urban revitalization, immigration, forensic evidence, cross-cultural issues in the courts and leadership training. Seton Hall Law School Center for Social Justice Professors Lori Nessel, Linda Fisher, Shavar Jeffries, Jessica Miles, Kevin Kelly, and Margaret Martin will be speaking at the conference. More than 50 international judges are registered for the conference, from countries including Argentina, Canada, China, Gambia, Guam, Haiti, Honduras, India, Jordan, Korea, Lagos, Malawi, Moldova, Navajo Nation, Nepal, Philippines, Sarajevo, South Korea, Taiwan, Tanzania, and Uganda. Seton Hall Law student Megan Altman will be receiving the Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg scholarship which will be presented at the NAWJ Gala Saturday night at the Newark Club with Justice Ginsburg delivering the keynote address. For more information on registering for the conference, please see http://www.nawj.org.

Albany Law School

Interviewing and Counseling: A Teaching Workshop
November 10-11, 2011

Law professors from around the country will gather at Albany Law School in New York state for “Interviewing and Counseling: A Teaching Workshop,” to be held on Nov. 10 and 11, 2011.

This program will be a hands-on collaborative workshop that addresses significant challenges in teaching interviewing and counseling. The program will be of interest not only to faculty who teach in-depth courses on interviewing and counseling, but also to those faculty who supervise these practice skills in clinics and those who integrate I/C exercises into doctrinal, lawyering or legal writing courses.
**Sharing Scholarship, Building Teachers:**
The 2012 Northeast Regional Scholarship and Teaching Development Workshop

**February 3-4, 2012**
This workshop is intended for law faculty who do not have tenure and who seek an opportunity to develop their scholarship and discuss their teaching with other, similarly situated law faculty. This program will provide a safe and comfortable forum for untenured faculty to present works in progress, solicit feedback from peers ahead of the February-March Law Review submission season, and network with other untenured faculty in the region about teaching practices and related issues. There is no fee to attend the program (whether you are presenting a paper or not), but you must register before the deadline: **November 15, 2011**. Albany Law School will provide all meals and drinks during the workshop at no charge to attendees.

Albany Law Center for Excellence in Law Teaching (CELT) invites you to its Inaugural Conference:

**“Setting and Assessing Learning Objectives from Day One.”**

March 30, 2012 (with registration and dinner the night before!) This conference aims to bring together faculty from across the curriculum to explore together how to set and assess foundational objectives for law students. The proposed changes to ABA standards make this topic extremely timely. We will explore questions such as: What learning objectives make most sense in the first year? How do we teach them in an integrated way? What do students need to have “under their belt” before taking a clinic or advanced class? How do we properly assess whether students have learned? We will also examine what some law schools have done to better structure their curriculum and prepare to meet the new standards.

**2011 Midwest Clinical Law Teachers Conference**

**“True Grit: The Grit of What We Do”**
The 2011 Midwest Clinical Education Conference will take place Friday through Sunday, **November 11-13, 2011**, at the University of Wisconsin Law School in Madison, Wisconsin. Recent legal and clinical scholarship has focused on the importance of stories in the law. Much of this scholarship focuses on narrative theory and storytelling. At the 2011 Midwest Conference, however, we would like to examine “stories” more broadly. We believe that, unlike other parts of the legal academy, clinics are valuable precisely because they allow for a deep and nuanced understanding of the “grit” of the on-the-ground experiences of clients, clinicians, and students. Within this broader theme of “experiences/stories,” the conference will include a mix of plenary and concurrent sessions organized along three tracks: (1) clinical pedagogy; (2) client stories (and barriers to understanding/articulating those stories); and (3) translating experience into advocacy for systemic change. The goal is to help clinicians to think about the broader theme, but also to share specific nuts- and-bolts ideas to improve their clinics in all three areas.

For information on the conference schedule, registration, and lodging, please visit the conference web site, at the following link: [http://law.wisc.edu/mwclc2011/](http://law.wisc.edu/mwclc2011/)

**EXTERNSHIPS 6 – PREPARING LAWYERS- THE ROLE OF FIELD PLACEMENT**
One great city - Boston! Two great host law schools - Northeastern and Harvard!
Three outstanding venues - Back Bay, Fenway and Cambridge!
Four wonderful days - March 1-4 2012!
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**ALBANY COLLEGE OF LAW**

Prof. Nancy Maurer’s article "Addressing Problems of Power and Supervision in Field Placements" was published this past fall in the *Clinical Law Review*, published by New York University’s School of Law.

**AMERICAN UNIVERSITY, WASHINGTON COLLEGE OF LAW**

Yael Cannon, a Practitioner-in-Residence in the Disability Rights Law Clinic, wrote two chapters – *Remedies* and, with Laura Rinaldi of UDC, *Initiating a Special Education Case* - of *Special Education Advocacy*, a recently-published law textbook edited by Ruth Colker and Julie Waterstone.

Jenny Roberts, an Associate Professor in the Criminal Justice Clinic, authored Brief of American Bar Association as *Amicus Curiae, Smith v. Cain*, No. 10-8145 (U.S.) which was submitted August 2010 (principal author; joined by DLA Piper attorneys). Roberts also published *Proving Prejudice, Post-Padilla*, 54 HOWARD L. J. 693 (2011) a paper she authored in connection with the Seventh Annual Wiley A. Branton/Howard Law Journal Symposium, Collateral Consequences: Who Really Pays the Price for Criminal "Justice"?

**UNIVERSITY OF BALTIMORE SCHOOL OF LAW**


**COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW**


UNIVERSITY OF DENVER SCHOOL OF LAW

Kevin Lynch, a clinical fellow with the environmental clinic, had his article, When Staying Discovery Stays Justice: Analyzing Motions to Stay Discovery When a Motion to Dismiss Is Pending, accepted for publication. 47 WAKE FOREST L. REV. ___ (forthcoming 2011).

UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND CAREY SCHOOL OF LAW

Brenda Bratton Blom

Deborah Thompson Eisenberg

Maureen Sweeney:

MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW


UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA SCHOOL OF LAW

Publications of Tamar Birckhead:

Books and Book Chapters:


Articles:


WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY IN ST. LOUIS SCHOOL OF LAW


Peter Joy (Wash. U.), Contingent Rewards for Prosecutors, 26 ABA CRIM. JUSTICE ___ (forthcoming Fall 2011) (with Kevin McMunigal).
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WESTERN NEW ENGLAND SCHOOL OF LAW

*Renaissance or Retrenchment: Legal Education at a Crossroads* was published by Clinic Professor Lauren Carasik in the Indiana Law Review, 2011, Volume 44, page 735.

HONORS, AWARDS AND PROMOTIONS

UNIVERISTY OF DENVER, STURM COLLEGE OF LAW

Laura Rovner
Ronald V. Yegge Director of Clinical Programs
Associate Professor

Appointed as Ronald V. Yegge Director of Clinical Programs. Professor Rovner served with distinction as interim director on two occasions and in numerous other service positions at the law school, and has been deeply involved in developing and implementing the school’s Strategic Plan (June 2011).

HARVARD LAW SCHOOL

For upholding the highest principles of the legal profession, Harvard Law School Clinical Professor Deborah Anker was elected to the Fellows of the American Bar Foundation. Anker is director of the Harvard Immigration and Refugee Clinic and has taught immigration law and supervised clinical students for over 20 years. Established in 1955, the Fellows of the American Bar Foundation is an honorary organization of lawyers, judges, and legal scholars whose public and private careers demonstrate outstanding dedication to their communities and to the highest principles of the legal profession. Membership, through a peer election process, is limited to one third of one percent of lawyers licensed to practice in each jurisdiction. Anker is the author of “The Law of States,” a leading treatise that has been cited frequently by international and domestic courts and tribunals, including the U.S. Supreme Court. The clinic’s guidelines on human rights violations as a basis for asylum, co-drafted by Anker, have been accepted by the U.S. government and international tribunals.

Libby Benton, a Skadden Fellow at Harvard’s WilmerHale Legal Services Center (LSC), received the 2011 Andrew L. Kaufman Pro Bono Service Award after performing over 2,300 hours of free legal services while a student at Harvard Law School. Benton’s activities included the Harvard Legal Aid Bureau, Shelter Legal Ser-
vices, No One Leaves, the Harvard Delta Project, and summers at American Civil Liberties Union of Michigan and Greater Boston Legal Services. She received a Skadden Fellowship to continue her work at LSC representing low-income tenants and former homeowners facing post-foreclosure evictions. She will work with community organizations and financial institutions to create long-term affordable housing for families and communities. The Andrew L. Kaufman Pro Bono Service Award is granted each year in honor of Professor Andrew Kaufman, who has been instrumental in creating and supporting the Pro Bono Service Program at Harvard. The J.D. student in the graduating class who performs the highest number of pro bono service hours receives the award. Members of the graduating class of 2011 performed 366,204 hours of pro bono service, an average of 628 hours per student, with 118 students performing more than 1,000 hours of pro bono service and 12 performing over 2,000 hours.

Harvard Law School’s Nneka Ukpai received a 2011 CLEA Outstanding Student Award in recognition of her outstanding advocacy as a student in Harvard’s Criminal Justice Institute, in which she represented indigent defendants in criminal cases. In particular, she was recognized for her skill in obtaining three “not guilty” verdicts in a trial in which her young client was charged with assaulting a police officer.

UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND COLLEGE OF LAW

After a year transition to facilitate the change, Professor Michael Pinard was named the Law School's Clinic Director. Michael served as Co-Director with Professor Brenda Bratton Blom for the past year. Brenda returns to teaching her Community Justice Clinic full time. We are indebted to Brenda for her leadership over the past five years and we wish Michael the best as he begins his tenure as Director.

Susan Leviton received the Margaret Brent-Juanita Jackson Mitchell Award from the Bar Association of Baltimore City. The award recognizes women lawyers and judges who have surmounted substantial barriers to achieve professional excellence.

NORTHERN ILLINOIS COLLEGE OF LAW

The Northern Illinois University College of Law faculty voted to change the status of clinicians from short-term contract "supportive professional staff" to long-term contract "clinical faculty" and the Provost approved it. As a result, clinician Paul J. Cain has been appointed as a Clinical Associate Professor of Law and clinician Wendy Hinton Vaughn has been appointed as a Clinical Assistant Professor of Law. Prof. Cain teaches the Elder Law Clinic and Prof. Vaughn teaches the Domestic Abuse Clinic.

In addition, the clinical program welcomed Professor Anita Ortiz Maddali as our new Clinic Director, beginning October 1, 2011. She comes to NIU from DePaul University College of Law where she was a visiting Assistant Clinical Professor in the Poverty Law Clinic.
On October 5, Rutgers School of Law-Newark honored Frank Askin, Distinguished Professor of Law and Director of the Constitutional Litigation Clinic, with the Eric Neisser Public Interest Alumni Award. The award is given annually to a Rutgers alum who was involved in the Law School's clinical program and has devoted his or her career to public interest work. Prior honorees include Ellen Yaroshefsky of Brooklyn Law School and Erika Wood of New York Law School. According to Jon Dubin, Associate Dean for Clinical Education at Rutgers, "Frank Askin is one of the founding fathers of clinical legal education at Rutgers and nationally. This award recognizes his incalculable contributions to our program and is long overdue."

ST. LOUIS UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW

John Ammann, J.D., director of the SLU Legal Clinics and professor of law, was honored on Aug. 30, 2011 with the "Melton M. Lewis Equal Justice Award" at the Legal Services of Eastern Missouri's (LSEM) "For the Common Good” award ceremony. John Ammann, J.D. Photo courtesy of Legal Services of Eastern Missouri

SETON HALL LAW SCHOOL CENTER FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE

Kyle Rosenkrans was promoted by the Seton Hall Law School Center for Social Justice to Practitioner-In-Residence of the Urban Revitalization Project in August 2011. Practitioner Rosenkrans joined Seton Hall Law School Center for Social Justice as Clinical Teaching Fellow in the Civil Litigation Clinic in January 2011. His work with the clinic focuses on the rights of homeowners facing foreclosure and systemic public education reform. Prior to joining the Seton Hall Law School faculty, he was the Managing Attorney for Essex-Newark Legal Services’ Education Representation Project, where he represented parents and students who had been under-served by the public schools in Newark and Essex County at-large.

WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY (St. Louis) SCHOOL OF LAW

Annette Appell, Kathryn Pierce, and Mae Quinn (Wash. U.), faculty in the school’s Civil Justice Clinic, received the Legal Services of Eastern Missouri’s Ashley Award for the Clinic’s work in protecting the rights of children and families. The Civil Justice Clinic’s two practice areas, Juvenile Rights & Re-Entry Project and Children & Family Defense Project, provide holistic representation to children, youth, and families in the St. Louis metropolitan area.
Peter Ruger (Wash. U.), co-director of Washington University’s Intellectual Property and Nonprofit Organizations Clinic, has been awarded a Life Membership by the National Association of College & University Attorneys (NACUA). The award recognizes “outstanding service and substantial contributions to the Association.” Peter previously received the NACUA’s Distinguished Service Award in recognition of his many years of service as general counsel to Washington University and Southern Illinois University.
NEW CLINICIANS

Albany Law Clinic and Justice Center

New Clinic Fellows:

**Sara Mase:** Sara has accepted the position of Family Violence Litigation Clinic Fellow. Sara graduated cum laude from Albany Law in May 2010, with a dual concentration in Family/Elder law and Estate planning. A member of the Family Violence Law Clinic for the 08-09 year, Sara passed the bar and was admitted to practice in New York in Jan of 2011.

**Kelcey Kratzer:** Kelcey has accepted the position of the Barry Gold Health Law Clinic Fellow. Kelcey graduated from Albany Law in May 2011. Kelcey was a Student Assistant in the Health Law Clinic, where she assisted clients with chronic health conditions by filing appropriate public benefits paperwork, obtaining kinship foster care orders for their dependent children, drafted appropriate court documents and advocated in front of an Administrative Law Judge for clients appealing Supplemental Social Security Income and Social Security Disability denials. Kelcey also interned at the Government Law Center from May 2009 through May 2010. While there, she assisted in writing law review articles and researched papers.

**Yana Siganur:** Yana has accepted the position of General Clinic Fellow. Yana graduated from Albany Law in May 2010. She was most recently a Litigation Assistant with Melvin Dubinsky, Esq. in New York, NY. While there, she researched case law, statutes and forms concerning personal injury and criminal defense litigation, took witness statements and client intake and provided technical instruction and support.

**Lisa Alexander:** Lisa has accepted the position of Clinic Fellow in the Civil Rights & Disabilities Law Clinic. Lisa graduated from Albany Law in May 2011. Lisa was a student intern in the Domestic Violence Prosecution Hybrid as well as the Civil Rights and Disabilities Law Clinic.

**Family Violence Litigation Clinic**

Professor **Sarah Rogerson** has joined the clinical faculty as Assistant Clinical Professor of Law and Director of the Family Violence Litigation Clinic. Before joining Albany Law, she was a Clinical Teaching Fellowship at University of Baltimore Law School.
• **Patricio Rossi** has joined the Harvard Legal Aid Bureau as a Clinical Instructor, and **Andrea Park** has joined as a Staff Attorney on the No One Leaves/Foreclosure Task Force project.

• **Meera Shah** is the new Clinical Fellow in the Harvard International Human Rights Clinic.

• **Rob Proctor** is a new Clinical Instructor at the Harvard Criminal Justice Institute.

• **Rory Van Loo** has been appointed as the Assistant Director of the Harvard Negotiation and Mediation Clinical Program and as a Lecturer on Law. **Chad Carr** has joined the Clinic as a Clinical Instructor and Lecturer on Law.

• **Amanda Klemas** is an Equal Justice Works Fellow at Harvard’s Trauma Learning Policy Initiative, which focuses on ensuring that children traumatized by exposure to violence succeed in school. She is sponsored by Greenberg Taurig.

• **Phil Torrey** is a new Clinical Instructor at the Harvard Immigration and Refugee Clinic (HIRC) and the Supervising Attorney of the Harvard Immigration Project, a student practice organization where he will oversee such student projects as a Know-Your-Rights community outreach and education campaign and the representation of Iraqi refugee petitioners through the Iraqi Refugee Assistance Project.

• **Emily Leung** is the new Albert M. Sacks Clinical & Advocacy Fellow at HIRC. **Lauren Aronson** is the clinic’s new Immigration and Refugee Advocate for 2011-2012.

• **Libby Benton** is a Skadden Fellow at Harvard’s WilmerHale Legal Services Center (LSC), where she will focus on post-foreclosure eviction work, on which she focused as a student in the Harvard Legal Aid Bureau. **Malinda Ellwood** and **Faina Shalts** are new Fellows in the LSC’s Center for Health Law and Policy Innovation (formerly the Health Law and Policy Clinic).

**UNIVERSITY OF BALTIMORE SCHOOL OF LAW**

The University of Baltimore welcomed five new clinicians this fall. **Jaime Lee** is the new director of the Community Development Clinic; Jaime previously taught in the Community and Economic Development Law Clinic at American University, Washington College of Law. **Alice Clapman**, who comes to us from a fellowship with the Center for Applied Legal Studies at Georgetown University School of Law, is visiting as the director of our Immigrant Rights Clinic. **Sabrina Balgamwalla**, the new clinical fellow in the Immigrant Rights Clinic, was a staff attorney at the Asian Pacific American Legal Resource Center. **Jennifer Kim** joins us as the fellow in the Family Law Clinic after teaching at Albany Law School in the Family Violence Litigation Clinic. **Kathryn Loncarich** is our new Civil Advocacy Clinic Fellow; Katie was with Hogan Lovells US LLP before joining the clinic.

**UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND CAREY COLLEGE OF LAW**

**Sara Gold** joined the School of Law from the Washington, DC office of Howrey LLP, where she served as the Pro Bono Manager. Prior to joining Howrey, she was a Visiting Associate Professor in the Domestic Violence Clinic at Georgetown University Law Center. She has also worked in the Office of the Attorney General for the District of Columbia as a Section Chief for Child Protection Section I, then as Acting Deputy Attorney General for the Family Services Division. She received her BA in Political Science, with distinction, from the University of Michigan, and her JD from the University of Pennsylvania Law School. She will be teaching the Health Care Delivery and Child Welfare Legal Issues Clinic: The Challenge of the AIDS Epidemic.
Barbara Moses joined the Seton Hall Law School Center for Social Justice in August 2011 as a Visiting Clinical Professor to run the Civil Rights and Constitutional Litigation Clinic. Prior to joining the Seton Hall Law School faculty, Prof. Moses taught Lawyering at New York University School of Law. From 2007 through 2009 she served as an Adjunct Professor at Seton Hall, teaching Persuasion and Advocacy. Prof. Moses brings substantial litigation experience to her academic career. From 2002 to 2011 she was a principal of the New York law firm of Morvillo, Abramowitz, Grand, Iason, Anello & Bohrer (where she remains counsel), handling complex business disputes in state and federal courts nationwide, in arbitration, and in administrative proceedings. Before that, she was a partner at Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe, both in San Francisco and in New York.

Alison Kamhi joined Stanford Law School as a Clinical Teaching Fellow in the Immigrants’ Rights Clinic in 2011. A former Fulbright Scholar and Skadden Fellowship recipient, Alison has significant experience in immigration law. Prior to joining Stanford, Alison worked at Bay Area Legal Aid from 2010-2011 where she focused on the representation of abused and neglected immigrant women and youth. She also represented unaccompanied immigrant youth in immigration and family court at Catholic Charities Community Services in New York from 2009-2010. Alison received her J.D. from Harvard Law School in 2008 and her B.A. from Stanford University in 2003. After law school, she clerked for the Honorable Julia Gibbons in the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit from 2008-2009.

Leah Russin recently joined Stanford Law School as a Staff Attorney in the Environmental Law Clinic. Since her earlier tenure as a Clinical Teaching Fellow in the Environmental Law Clinic in 2007-2008, Leah served as the environmental counsel to U.S. Senator Dianne Feinstein (D-CA) and as a member of the Obama Administration at the Department of the Interior. As Senator Feinstein’s advisor on environmental issues, Leah facilitated the implementation of the historic agreement and legislation to restore the San Joaquin River, sought to improve water supply to cities and farms as well as for environmental purposes, worked with federal agencies, local and state elected officials, and key stakeholders to address air quality impacts across California, furthered the protection of the polar bear and other threatened and endangered species, and was involved in many other natural resource issues considered by Congress in the 110th Congress. At the Department of the Interior, she served as a Senior Counsel to the Director of the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, Enforcement and Regulation, and helped facilitate the agency's renewable energy program, focusing on the development of wind farms in the Atlantic Ocean. Leah clerked for U.S. District Court Judge Paul Barbadoro, and earned a J.D. from Duke University School of Law in 2002 and a B.A. from Smith College in 1997.

WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY IN ST. LOUIS SCHOOL OF LAW

Courtney Lollar (Wash. U.) joins the Criminal Defense Clinic as a Clinical Fellow. Before joining the faculty, Courtney was an attorney with the Federal Defender Program in Atlanta and with the Public Defender Service for the District of Columbia. A graduate of New York University School of Law, in law school she received the Arthur T. Vanderbilt Medal for public service and was editor-in-chief for the Review of Law & Social Change.

Josh Gupta-Kagan (Wash. U.) joins the Civil Justice Clinic as a Lecturer In Law and Clinic Attorney. Josh joins the faculty from the Children’s Law Center in Washington, D.C., where he was a senior attorney. He has taught Family Law II and Child Abuse and Neglect Law as an adjunct at the Georgetown University Law Center. In law school at New York University, Josh was a senior articles editor on the New York University Law Review and a Root-Tilden Public Interest Scholar in Women’s, Children’s and Family Law.
Stanford Law School’s Mills Legal Clinic welcomes James Cavallaro as Professor of Law and Director of the International Human Rights and Conflict Resolution Clinic. Jim has extensive expertise in international human rights law and the human rights movement; human rights issues in Latin America and the developing world; and international human rights litigation, including litigation to promote economic, social and cultural rights. Prior to joining Stanford, Jim held positions at Harvard Law School, most recently as Clinical Professor of Law and Executive Director of the Human Rights Program. Jim received his J.D. from University of California Berkeley School of Law and his B.A.

The International Human Rights and Conflict Resolution Clinic will allow students to advocate on behalf of, and provide supervised representation of, a broad range of victims and potential victims of rights abuse, including political detainees, other prisoners, victims of torture, and indigenous communities, among others. The clinic will also engage students in structured conflict resolution, with a particular focus on societies emerging from periods of extreme violence.

WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY IN ST. LOUIS SCHOOL OF LAW

Robert Kuehn (Wash. U.), Professor of Law at Washington University, is the new Associate Dean for Clinical Education. In addition to assuming oversight of the School’s fifteen clinical programs, he will continue to co-direct the Interdisciplinary Environmental Clinic.