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Legal and Policy Issues in the Americas

The University of Florida Fredric G. Levin College of Law, through its Center for Governmental Responsibility, hosted the First Annual Conference on Legal and Policy Issues in the Americas in 2000. More than 100 participants attended the conference and proceedings were published in the *Florida Journal of International Law*. The conference provided a stimulating dialogue among legal professionals, law professors, government officials, law students, and public servants who attended.

We continue to develop working alliances with leading law schools in the Americas, including the law faculties of the University of Costa Rica and the Pontifical Catholic University of Rio de Janeiro (PUC-RIO), Brazil. In addition, today the Levin College of Law continues its Latin American activities in Haiti, Brazil, the Tropical Andes (Peru, Colombia, Venezuela, Bolivia, Ecuador), Central America (Belize, Guatemala, Panama, Costa Rica, Nicaragua, Honduras, and El Salvador), Mexico, and Cuba.

Thank you for participating in this year's conference. We look forward to a stimulating dialogue, followed by planning for future conferences. We appreciate your joining us.

Jon Mills, Dean
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Reception Area Outside Ballroom A

7 a.m. Registration

Ballroom A&B

8 a.m. *Welcome*
Dean Jon Mills
University of Florida Levin College of Law

8:10-10 a.m. *“Organized Crime, Terrorism, and Money Laundering in the Americas”*
Fletcher N. Baldwin, Jr., Chesterfield Smith Professor of Law & Director, Center for International Financial Crimes Studies, University of Florida Levin College of Law
Alan Lambert, expert in financial crimes in the Caribbean; Partner & Consultant, Askalan consultant firm, United Kingdom
George Henry Millard, Chief of Police, São Paulo, Brazil; and Director of the Metropolitan Institute of Criminology (UniFMU), São Paulo
Peter M. German, Superintendent, Royal Canadian Mounted Police, “E” Division

10-10:15 a.m. Coffee Break

10:15 a.m.-Noon *“Environmental Damages and Crimes”*
José Rubens Morato Leite, Professor of Law, Universidade Federal de Santa Catarina, Florianópolis, Brazil
Fernando Walcacer, Professor of Law, Pontifical Catholic University of Rio De Janeiro (PUC-RIO), Brazil
Rafael González Ballar, Professor of Law and Dean of the College of Law, University of Costa Rica, San José, Costa Rica
Jeffry Wade, Director, Environmental Division, Center for Governmental Responsibility, University of Florida Levin College of Law

Ballroom C

Noon-1:30 p.m.

Luncheon Keynote: *“Argentina’s Efforts at Financial Recovery and Impacts of the Crisis on MERCOSUR and FTAA Talks”*

Adrián Jorge Makuc, Director of Foreign Trade Policy, Secretariat of Industry and the Ministry of Economy, Argentina

Ballroom A&B

1:30-3:15 p.m.

Convener: Stephen J. Powell, Director, International Trade Programs, Center for Governmental Responsibility, University of Florida Levin College of Law

“The Export of Medical Supplies and Agricultural Products to Cuba”

Terry L. McCoy, Professor of Latin American Studies and Political Science, and Director of the Center for Latin American Studies’ Latin American Business Environment Program (LABEP) and Associate Director, Center for International Business Education and Research (CIBER), College of Business Administration, University of Florida

Andrew J. Markus, Carlton Fields, Head of Miami Corporate Practice and Head of International Practice Group, Miami, Florida; Chair, Comparative Law Division, American Bar Association Section of International Law and Practice; and Past Chair, International Section of The Florida Bar

William A. Messina, Jr., Coordinator, Economic Analysis, Food and Resource Economics, Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences (IFAS), University of Florida

3:15-3:30 p.m.

Coffee Break

3:30-5 p.m.

“The Potential for Future Economic Relations with Cuba”

Michael W. Gordon, Chesterfield Smith Professor of Law, University of Florida Levin College of Law

Antonio R. Zamora, Hughes Hubbard & Reed LLP, Miami, Florida; past Director and Legal Counsel, Cuban-American National Foundation

Armando Castenedo Abay, Vice Rector, Professor of Law, and former Dean of the law school, University of Havana,

Havana, Cuba

Berta Hernández-Truyol, Levin, Mabile & Levin Professor of Law,
University of Florida Levin College of Law

Teo Babun, Jr., President, CubaData.com, Inc., Miami, Florida;
and National Executive Director, ECHO-Cuba

Ángel Fernández-Rubio Legrá, Adjunct Professor of
Environmental Law, Faculty of Law, University of Havana,
and Vice President of the Cuban Society of Constitutional
and Administrative Law

5-6 p.m.

“Legal Education in the Americas”

Jon Mills, Dean, Levin College of Law, and Director, Center for
Governmental Responsibility, University of Florida Levin
College of Law

Alejandro Ogarrío, Professor of Law, Escuela Libre de Derecho,
Mexico City, Mexico; and immediate past president, Barra
Mexicana

Robert R. Hendry, Hendry, Stoner, Sawicki & Brown, P.A.,
Orlando, Florida

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George Henry Millard, Chief of Police, São Paulo, Brazil; and
Director of the Metropolitan Institute of Criminology
(UniFMU), São Paulo

Jessica Parker, President, International Law Society, University of
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6 p.m.

Adjourn

Conference Presenters

Teo A. Babun, Jr., is the author of more than 100 manuscripts and reports on Cuban business, political, and economic issues, including *The Business Guide to Cuba*, a special report dealing with current and post-embargo business opportunities in the island; *Cuba's Sea & Air Transportation*, and *Cuba Infrastructure & Opportunities*, a report dealing with ten key industries in Cuba. His most recent book titled, *The Cuban Revolution-Years of Promise*, is an historical account of the Cuban revolution from 1953 to 1963. He has addressed more than 200 groups throughout the United States, Canada, Europe and Latin America. He is President & CEO of Cuba-Caribbean Development Co., Ltd., a consulting division of T. Babun Group, Inc., one of America's largest providers of strategic services related to Cuba, and the National Executive Director of ECHO-Cuba, a non-profit effort to facilitate independent human service development to providers and for humanitarian aid in Cuba. He is a graduate of Michigan Technological University with a major in Electrical Engineering, and a Master's in Business Administration.

Fletcher N. Baldwin, Jr., is the Chesterfield Smith Professor of Law at the University of Florida Levin College of Law. He is Director, Center for International Financial Crimes Studies; Director, Montpellier University Summer Program in Law, Montpellier, France; and Honorary Fellow, Centre of Advanced Legal Studies, University of London. He has taught at Makerere University in Uganda, Baylor University, Escuela Libre de Derecho in Mexico City, the Cambridge-Warsaw Program at Trinity College in England, the University of Lodz, Poland, and the American Bar Association OPAL Program at Princeton and Brown Universities. He has been a delegate to the Conference on Human Rights, Kiev State University, Ukraine; a visiting lecturer, University of Natal, Pietermaritzburg, South Africa; a CEELI legal specialist; advisor to the Parliament and the Constitutional Court, Kiev, Ukraine. He was speaker and delegate at the Eleventh through Seventeenth International Symposium on Economic Crime, Jesus College, Cambridge, England. He is co-Founder and Lecturer, Center for Human Rights and Peace, Makerere University, Kampala, Uganda. He has written several books and articles, including: Money Laundering Asset Forfeiture and International Financial Crimes, Five Volumes (1993-2000)(Oceana Press, N.Y.)(co-authored) and Cybercrime and Security, 3 Volumes (2000)(Oceana Press, N.Y.)(co-authored). His active practice is limited to Constitutional Law.

Rafael González Ballar is Professor and Dean of the law faculty of the University of Costa Rica, where he is Attorney in Law and Notary. He received the

Diplome d'Etudes Approfondies, Economy and Environment Law, University of Bordeaux, and Third Cycle Doctor in Public Law, University of Bordeaux. He has been a visiting professor at the University of Florida and is an international researcher, consultant and lecturer. He is a member of the National Academy of Public Law; Member of the Agrarian Law Association and Associate Founder of Justice for Nature Association. He is an adviser of the Latin American United Nations Institute for Crime and of the Arias Foundation in the "Citizen Participation Project." He is an attorney with emphasis in Environmental and Administrative Law.

Armando Castanedo Abay has been a Professor of Law at the University of Havana in Cuba for 18 years. He has been Vice Dean of the Law School at the University of Havana and Academic Secretary for six years. He is preparing his doctorate with the University of Valencia, Spain, and he has a Master in Legal Sciences from the University. He has attended the past two Congresses on Mediation of the World Mediation Forum in Cuba and Sardinia in Italy. He has taught on mediation in several cities and universities in Mexico and Cuba. He has authored several articles and three books. He has lectured at various law schools throughout the United States, Mexico, and Spain.

Ángel Fernández-Rubio Legrá is an adjunct professor on Environmental Law at the Faculty of Law at the University of Havana and Adjunct Titular Professor in master's and post-graduate courses in International Law with specialization in Environmental Law and Tourism at the Higher Institute for International Relations. He is Vice-President of the Cuban Society of Constitutional and Administrative Law and is President of the Environmental Law Section of the National Union of Cuban Jurists. He has served as a member of the Cuban Association of the United Nations; founding member, Latin American Association of Environmental Law; Member of the Minister's Tourism Board of Juridical Experts; member of the National Doctoral Commission on Law Degrees and was previously Vice-Rector of the Instituto Superior de Relaciones Internacionales.

Peter M. German – A member of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, Superintendent German has worked in every Canadian province and territory; in uniform, in the Security Service, as a member of the Force's Professional Standards Directorate, and for six years in its Commercial Crime Sections at Vancouver and Ottawa, where he was a Detective Inspector assigned to major fraud and corruption investigations. In addition to his police experience, he is a lawyer and a member of the Ontario and British Columbia bars. He previously practiced law privately, including as a Crown prosecutor and criminal defense counsel, and holds graduate degrees in

law and political science. He is the author of the only legal text in Canada devoted entirely to the proceeds of crime and money laundering. He has lectured in Canada and abroad on money laundering, corruption, and fraud.

Michael W. Gordon is the Chesterfield Smith Professor of Law at the University of Florida Levin College of Law, where he has taught since 1968. He has held the Centennial Professorship at the London School of Economics, the James S. Stone Chair at the University of Alabama, the Alverson Chair at George Washington University, and also has been a visiting professor at Duke University, Köstanz, Frankfurt, Escuela Libre de Derecho (Mexico), Universidad Nacional de Costa Rica, and King's College (London). He has lectured in the United States for the Council on Foreign Relations and abroad for the Department of State. Professor Gordon has consulted for ten foreign governments, held Fulbright professorships in Mexico, Guatemala and Germany, and has been a Scholar-in-Residence at Bellagio. He has authored or co-authored more than thirty books and numerous chapters and articles. His books are principally on international business law, comparative law, Mexican law, and on the NAFTA. Professor Gordon was appointed by the Clinton Administration to the dispute resolution panels of both the World Trade Organization and the North American Free Trade Agreement.

Robert R. Hendry is a Florida Bar Certified International Lawyer with the Orlando law firm of Hendry, Stoner, Sawicki & Brown, P.A., and presently serves as Chairman of the Florida District Export Council, appointed by the U.S. Secretary of Commerce; Steering Committee for the National Council of District Export Council Chairmen; Member, International Law Certification Committee of the Florida Bar; Member of the Florida Economic Summit; Enterprise Florida International Business Development Advisory Committee; Member of the Society of International Business Fellows; Member of the Metropolitan Orlando International Affairs Commission; Chairman of the Florida Trade Grant Review Panel; Board of Directors of the Florida Association of Volunteer Agencies for Caribbean Action; and member of the Levin College of Law International Programs Advisory Committee. He authored the book U.S. Real Estate and the Foreign Investor and various articles in periodicals.

Berta Hernández-Truyol joined the faculty at the University of Florida Levin College of Law in 2000 as the Levin, Mabie and Levin Professor of Law. She received her bachelor's degree from Cornell University, her law degree from Albany Law School of Union University and her master's in law (in international legal studies) from New York University. She previously was a professor at St. John's University School of Law, where she also directed the International Women's Human Rights

Project of the Center for Law and Public Policy. During the late 1990's, she was an honorary senior fellow in the Institute for Legal Studies at the University of Wisconsin Law School and was a visiting professor at Georgetown University Law Center. She also has been on law school faculties of the University of New Mexico and DePaul University. She is one of the founders of the *Latina/o* Critical (LatCrit) Theory movement and is widely published. She also is active in the Association of American Law Schools, the American Bar Association and the American Society of International Law, where she serves on the society's executive committee.

Alan Lambert is a former career detective, having completed over 30 years' police service in the United Kingdom, specializing in the investigation of major frauds (white collar crime), and heading a unit dedicated to investigations into the financial affairs of drug traffickers and other major criminals. For a three-month period, he was appointed by the UK Foreign Office as an advisor to the Government of Trinidad & Tobago in the formation of an anti-money-laundering and counter drug trafficking Task Force. This resulted in the first ever (and currently, the only) confiscation orders being obtained in the Caribbean. In April 2000, on a further three-month appointment of the UK Foreign Office, he was sent as an advisor to the Government of Antigua & Barbuda, where he trained and established a permanent Financial Investigation Unit within the Office of National Drugs and Money Laundering Control Policy (ONDCP) situated in St. John's, Antigua. In January 2001, he was appointed as a consultant to the Caribbean Anti-Money-Laundering Programme (CALP), with responsibility for running training courses in financial investigation for nominated personnel from throughout the Caribbean, and he has recently been asked to assist the Government of St. Kitts and Nevis to establish a dedicated Financial Intelligence Unit in their country. He now operates his own consultancy business – Askalan.

José Rubens Morato Leite is a Professor in Environmental Law at the Universidade Federal de Santa Catarina, Brazil. He received his doctorate from the Universidade Federal de Santa Catarina and Diploma in Law from the University of London. He serves on the Steering Committee of the Commission on Environmental Law, The World Conservation Union and as Vice-President of the South Region of Lawyers for a Green Planet Institute in Brazil.

Adrián Jorge Makuc graduated from the College of Economic Sciences, University of Buenos Aires, in 1970, with a degree in political economy. Since then, he has specialized in international economic relations, trade policy matters and multilateral trade rules. His work has been both in the public and private sectors. Since February 1998, He has been National Director of Foreign Trade Policy in the

Secretariat of Industry and Trade of the Ministry of Economy in Argentina. This division deals with trade negotiations at bilateral regional and multilateral levels. This responsibility extends to cover the issues related to trade negotiations within MERCOSUR, with ALADI countries, the FTAA process and several WTO matters.

Andrew Joshua Markus is Head of the Miami Corporate Practice and Head of the International Practice Group of Carlton Fields, P.A., in Miami, Florida. He previously was associated with Hughes Hubbard and Reed. He is a graduate of Duke University, the University of Florida College of Law, and the Vrije Universiteit Brussel (LLM, magna cum laude). His practice involves representing U.S. and non-U.S. companies in international and domestic corporate transactions including joint ventures, strategic alliances and mergers and acquisitions. He also advises these companies on general corporate and commercial matters with particular focus on electronic commerce, distribution of goods and services, intellectual property licensing, direct marketing/advertising/entertainment oriented matters and general corporate operational matters in cable and satellite television and wholesale and retail consumer products. He is a former Chair of the International Section of the Florida Bar, and is presently Vice Chair of the American Bar Association's Section of International Law and Practice.

Terry L. McCoy is Director of the Latin American Business Environment Program and Associate Director of the Center for International Business Education and Research (CIBER) at the University of Florida, where he is also Professor of Latin American Studies and Political Science. He received his Ph.D. in Political Science from the University of Wisconsin and taught at The Ohio State University before joining the faculty at UF. From 1985 until 1996, he served as Director of the University's Center for Latin American Studies. A specialist on the political economy of Latin America, he has taught, conducted research and consulted throughout the hemisphere, beginning as a Fulbright Scholar in Chile. He is the author of numerous scholarly publications. His current research focuses on the Latin American business environment. Recent publications include studies on the impact of globalization on the Caribbean, the prospects for continued economic reform in Latin America and the significance of the Free Trade Area of the Americas for Florida. He publishes an annual assessment of the Latin American business environment, teaches an MBA course on this topic, and consults on business and investment in Latin America. In October 1999, he served as the area specialist for the Russell 20-20 Association's trip to Chile, Brazil and Argentina. In June 2000, he inaugurated UF's Business in Brazil study program at the Catholic University in Rio de Janeiro. He was a member of Team Florida at the 1997 and 1998 Business Forums of the Americas in Brazil and Costa

Rica. He is a member of the FTAA Florida, Inc. Board of Directors and the Executive Committee of the Institute for World Commerce Education in Tampa.

William A. Messina, Jr., is Coordinator of Industry Relations for the Department of Food and Resource Economics at the University of Florida and Co-Director of the Department's research program on Cuban agriculture. Since joining the Department in 1989, his research and extension program activities have focused on a variety of international agricultural trade policy and agribusiness topics. In 1992, he and Dr. Jose Alvarez of the Department launched a comprehensive research initiative on Cuban agriculture, which continues to be conducted in collaboration with a team of researchers at the University of Havana, Cuba. In 1999, he and Dr. Alvarez received the U.S. Department of Agriculture *Special Honor Award* from U.S. Agriculture Secretary Dan Glickman for "outstanding services to U.S. and Florida agriculture for research on the economic challenges and opportunities associated with resumption of trade with Cuba." He has been a consultant to the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations and to a number of U.S. agricultural commodity associations. He holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Agricultural economics from Cornell University and a Master of Science degree in Food and Resource Economics from the University of Florida.

George Henry Millard is Police Chief of the São Paulo State Police; Professor, State of São Paulo Civil Police Academy; and Head of Tax Fraud Criminal Investigation Division, São Paulo. He was formerly Director of the Narcotics Department and Assistant Director of Internal Affairs. He received an LLB and MBA from University Mackenzie; and Post Graduate Diploma in Sociology (São Paulo). He has served as Visiting Professor, University of Florida Levin College of Law; Advisor for the Board of the International Association of Asian Crimes Investigators; Member, Board of International Police Executive Symposium, New York University; Fellow, Society for Advanced Legal Studies, University of London; and Lecturer, Cambridge Symposium on Economic Crime, England. He also serves as Director of the Metropolitan Institute of Criminology (UniFMU) in Sao Paulo.

Jon Mills is dean of the University of Florida Levin College of Law, where he also is a Professor of Law and Founding Director of the Center for Governmental Responsibility. As a researcher and teacher, he has been a principal investigator and directed major studies on environmental and constitutional issues including international projects in Brazil, Poland, Haiti, and Central America. He has authored books, law review articles and reports on constitutional and environmental issues. He served in the Florida House of Representatives for ten years, including two years as

Speaker of the House. In 1998, he was a member of the Florida Constitution Revision Commission and was named the Commission's most valuable member. He has appeared in various federal courts and the Florida Supreme Court on issues including voting rights and constitutional issues. He acted as a Special Assistant State Attorney in the Danny Rolling murder trial; as an attorney in the Versace murder case, and as an attorney for the family of race car driver Dale Earnhardt, in each case representing the privacy rights of the deceased's family. As a commentator on constitutional issues, he has appeared on CNN, the BBC, ABC, National Public Radio, and been quoted in *The Wall Street Journal*, *The Washington Post*, *The New York Times*, and other national and international press. He is a graduate of Stetson University and the University of Florida College of Law.

Alejandro Ogarrio is a member of the law firm, Ogarrio Daguerre, in Mexico City, Mexico. He studied at the Escuela Libre de Derecho and obtained an LL.M. from Harvard Law School and an M.B.A. at the Universidad de las Américas. He has been a professor at the Escuela Libre de Derecho and several other law schools in Mexico. He has acted as the representative of Mexico before the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law (UNCITRAL). He is a member of the Commission of the External Advisers to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and has acted as president of the Mexican Academy of Private International and Comparative Law, as well as President of the Mexican Bar Association. He belongs to several arbitration institutions and has taught arbitration in Mexico. He is the author of several articles on alternative dispute resolution and has acted as an arbitrator in many cases managed by the different arbitral institutions worldwide.

Jessica Parker is an honors student at the University of Florida Levin College of Law. Originally from Orlando, she graduated magna cum laude from Florida State University in 1999 with a Bachelor of Arts in Public Relations. She was a 1998-99 Rotary International Ambassadorial Scholar and studied at the University of Ulster in Coleraine, Northern Ireland. She is currently a member of the International Commercial Arbitration Moot Court and President of the International Law Society at the University of Florida.

Stephen J. Powell is Director of International Trade Programs at the University of Florida Levin College of Law, where he develops seminars on practical trade topics for business executives and their attorneys, plans academic courses on international trade law for future lawyers, conducts research on trade and business laws to aid company export strategies, and provides technical assistance to developing countries on implementing their World Trade Organization obligations. Prior to his appointment

in January 2000, he was for 17 years Chief Counsel for Import Administration in the U.S. Department of Commerce, the agency responsible for the two most important laws providing relief against unfairly traded imports, the antidumping and countervailing duty laws. He has also served as Assistant General Counsel for Enforcement and Litigation with the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration and as NOAA's Western Regional Counsel in Seattle. He began his legal career as a Captain with the U.S. Air Force Judge Advocate General. He has negotiated a number of treaties and executive agreements to discipline government subsidization and unfair private pricing practices, including the North American Free Trade Agreement with Canada and Mexico. He also served as lead U.S. negotiator in Free Trade Area of the Americas talks on subsidies and dumping and has traveled extensively in furtherance of U.S. interests in the elimination of unfair trading practices and the opening of foreign markets.

Jeffry S. Wade is Director of the Environmental Division at the Center for Governmental Responsibility, University of Florida Levin College of Law, where he teaches and conducts research related to environmental and land use law. Internationally, he has directed several research and training projects, including "Sustainable Development in Brazil: Empowering Non-Governmental Organizations," to assist environmental and social rights organizations in Paraná and Mato Grosso do Sul; and the "Everglades/Pantanal Exchange and Technical Training Program," a multi-disciplinary and cooperative program of training and exchange which provided seminars, short courses, exchanges and internships for technicians and policymakers from the Pantanal region of Brazil. He was co-principal investigator and lead author for a related international research project which resulted in an analytic framework for comparative analyses of watersheds, and the application of this framework to the Pantanal and Florida's Everglades. He presented this report at the "Interamerican Dialogue on Water Management" in Miami. In June of 2001, he participated in the Fifth International Conference on Environmental Law, in São Paulo, Brazil, presenting a plenary session paper on trends in U.S. water pollution control. He also was an invited participant in the workshop, "Toward Sustainable Development in the Americas: U.S. Civil Society and the Santa Cruz Summit Process," sponsored by the North-South Center, American Bar Association, and Fundación Futuro Latinoamericano.

Fernando C. Walcacer is a Professor in the Faculty of Law at the Pontifical Catholic University of Rio de Janeiro (PUC-RIO), Brazil; Environmental Law Coordinator, Interdisciplinary Center for the Environment, PUC-RIO; Graduate Professor at the Program for Environmental Planning, Coordination of Post-Graduate

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Antonio R. Zamora is Latin America Counsel of Hughes Hubbard & Reed LLP, Miami Office. He is a graduate of the University of Florida, the University of Miami, and the University of Florida College of Law. His experience as an international corporate lawyer includes general corporate transactions, mergers and acquisitions, international joint ventures, private debt restructuring, structured finance transactions and public/private offerings with extensive experience in the area of foreign investment and international trade. He is a frequent lecturer on international matters and has written several articles on foreign investment, including three about Cuba. He is a native of Cuba.

Special Recognition

Alejandro Ogarrio

Alejandro Ogarrio is a member of the law firm, Ogarrio Daguerre, in Mexico City, Mexico. He studied at the Escuela Libre de Derecho and obtained an LL.M. from Harvard Law School and an M.B.A. at the Universidad de las Américas.

Mr. Ogarrio has been a professor at the Escuela Libre de Derecho and several other law schools in Mexico. He has acted as the representative of Mexico before the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law (UNCITRAL). He is a member of the Commission of the External Advisers to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and has acted as president of the Mexican Academy of Private International and Comparative Law, as well as President of the Mexican Bar Association.

He belongs to several arbitration institutions and has taught arbitration in Mexico. He is the author of several articles on alternative dispute resolution and has acted as an arbitrator in many cases managed by the different arbitral institutions worldwide.

Mr. Ogarrio was first introduced to the University of Florida College of Law in August, 1970, when he was asked by the dean of the Escuela Libre de Derecho in Mexico to work with UF Professor Michael W. Gordon in a joint effort to conduct a summer law program at the Escuela Libre. He worked with Professor Gordon as co-director of that program from 1971-1981. During the decade of the 1980s, the relationship between Escuela Libre law faculty and UF continued with faculty exchanges, including lectures by Mr. Ogarrio. Those faculty exchanges continue today, due to the vision of and support from Mr. Ogarrio.

Plaque Inscription:

The Third Annual Conference on Legal and Policy Issues in the Americas, 2002, at the University of Florida Fredric G. Levin College of Law Recognizes Alejandro Ogarrio, Professor at the Escuela Libre de Derecho, in Mexico; Representative of Mexico before the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law; Member of the Commission of the External Advisers to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs; former President, Mexican Academy of Private International and Comparative Law; former President, Mexican Bar Association. Alejandro Ogarrio co-founded the thirty-year-old relationship between the University of Florida College of Law and Escuela Libre de Derecho in Mexico; Serving as Co-Director of the Summer Law Program; Visiting Faculty; and Devoted Supporter. April 21, 2002. Gainesville, Florida.

Previous Award Recipients:

May 25, 2000 – Raul E. Valdes-Fauli, Miami, Florida

April 22, 2001 – Kenneth H. (Buddy) MacKay, Jr., Ocala, Florida

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Foreign Exchange Programs for Students. We offer student exchange opportunities with three outstanding institutions: the University of Leiden in the Netherlands; the Johan Wolfgang Goethe Universitat in Frankfurt, Germany; the University of Montpellier in France; and Monash University in Melbourne, Australia.

Summer Abroad Programs. We offer summer abroad academic programs in Montpellier, France; Cape Town, South Africa; and San Jose, Costa Rica. All three of these programs are approved by the American Bar Association and are taught jointly by University of Florida faculty and professors from the host country universities.

Foreign Enrichment Courses. The University of Florida was the first American law school to provide J.D. students with an international experience without costly travel through an innovative program of foreign enrichment courses in the regular curriculum. Each semester we invite leading scholars to teach three-week segments of a foreign enrichment course in their area. We have offered a number of interesting courses in the past, including *Comparative Taxation*, *International Environmental Law*, *International Financial Crimes*, and *Legal Issues in Latin America*. We have been fortunate to attract visiting professors from institutions in Belgium, Brazil, China, Costa Rica, Cuba, Germany, Guatemala, Italy, Japan, Malaysia, Mexico, the Netherlands, Poland, Russia, South Africa, and the United Kingdom.

LL.M. Program in Comparative Law. We offer an LL.M. in Comparative Law to graduates of foreign law schools who seek to enhance their understanding of the American legal system. LL.M. students with more defined interests may specialize in International Trade, Environment and Land Use Law, or Taxation. The program builds on decades of involvement by our faculty in international legal issues,

including human rights, trade, law revision, and constitutional reform. The program limits enrollment to twenty students annually and provides individualized counseling by the Directors and members of the faculty.

Center for American Law Studies, Warsaw University, Poland. The University of Florida Levin College of Law and Warsaw University jointly sponsor the Center for American Law Studies at Warsaw University, the latest program in a thirty-year relationship with Poland. Annually, ten UF law faculty teach a series of two-week courses in American Law topics to upper division Polish law students. The one-year program culminates in a graduation ceremony, with past speakers who have included Martha Barnett, President of the American Bar Association, former U.S. Ambassador to Poland Daniel Fried, former Florida Supreme Court Justice Ben Overton, and several Polish dignitaries, including Supreme Court Justices and Cabinet Ministers.

Conference on Legal and Policy Issues in the Americas. You are attending the second annual conference under a recurring grant to explore important legal and policy issues among our countries.

Florida Journal of International Law. For more than ten years, this student-operated journal has published outstanding articles focusing on international business law. The FJIL annually publishes proceedings from the Conference on Legal and Policy Issues in the Americas.

Foreign Exchanges for Faculty. Faculty members at the Levin College of Law broaden their international understanding by participating in exchanges with the Johan Wolfgang Goethe Universitat, Frankfurt, Germany; the University of Leiden in the Netherlands; and the University of Stellenbosch in South Africa.

Center for Governmental Responsibility

The Center for Governmental Responsibility (CGR) is the State of Florida's premier legal and public policy institute. CGR was founded in 1972 with grant funds from the McIntosh Foundation of South Florida and with the leadership of then-Dean Dick Julin and current Dean Jon Mills, who also serves as CGR's director. The staff now numbers ten research faculty and four support personnel. Faculty members teach in the College of Law and develop funded research opportunities for law students.

Typically, the Center has grown from its initial research on governance issues relating to the federal budget and powers of the presidency to a faculty with decades of collective experience in wide-ranging projects and programs in environmental law, social policy, and democracy and governance. Additionally, the faculty of the Levin College of Law are full partners in CGR's projects and programs.

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