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First annual Career Development Conference

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Presentations by and networking opportunities with prominent attorneys from 15 practice areas. Conference is free, but registration is mandatory.

For an agenda, information or to register: see special four-page insert.

JMBA golf tournament Sunday

JMBA is sponsoring its second annual golf tournament to benefit SPARC, the Sexual and Physical Abuse Resource Center. The tournament will be held at the Gainesville National Country Club Sunday (Feb. 18), 12:30 p.m. The fee is \$40 per person, and includes cart, dinner, games, drinks and a chance to win placement trophies and prizes. Raffle tickets for additional prizes also will be sold, with proceeds benefiting SPARC. Sign up in the JMBA office. For information: Community Service Director **Lynn Alfano**, 373.5123, LynnAlfano@aol.com.

Free session on divorce issues

The Law College Council is sponsoring a free legal informational session on divorce issues Tuesday (Feb. 13), 190C Holland Hall, 7 p.m. Refreshments provided. Local experts will present information and answer questions regarding legal topics. For more information: gpr@ufl.edu.

APALSA meets Tuesday

APALSA will hold a general meeting Tuesday, (Feb. 13), 5:30 p.m., Starbucks in Union Street Station, 201 SE First Street. All are welcome.

“APALSA also would like to thank LEXIS and **Bonita Young** for their contribution and support of the Chinese New Year celebration.”

Law Review/BLSA textbook drive

Law Review and BLSA are sponsoring a used/out-of-print textbook and study aid drive to benefit law students at the University of Liberia in West Africa. The project is under the supervision of Federal Magistrate (and law professor) **William Wagner**. Collection boxes will be set up in the *Law Review* office and outside the Student Organizations Office. Students are encouraged to bring in two textbooks/study aids a month until the last day of finals. For information: BLSA, blsa@grove.ufl.edu.

Phi Delta Phi elections

Phi Delta Phi will elect new officers and have a meeting for all old members and those interested in joining Tuesday (Feb. 13), 5:20 p.m., 190A HOL. For information: **Leanne Dolin**, leanned@ufl.edu.

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Third Annual LawLawPalooza

Thursday, Feb 22, beginning at 9 p.m.

Durty Nelly's Irish Pub

Featuring “Red Lester”

A musical extravaganza sponsored by the
Association for Public Interest Law (APIL) to
benefit its summer fellowship program

The \$5 cover charge will provide funds for law students working in public interest projects over the summer — working with children, women's rights groups, prisoners' rights groups, legal aid societies for the poor, and others.

For advance tickets or more information: APIL, in the Student Organizations Office, 151 Bruton-Geer Hall. Students with musical talent interested in participating should contact **Alan Bushnell**, julia@atlantic.net.

Research assistant position open

Professor & Director of the Environmental and Land Use Law Program **Alyson Flournoy** is hiring a student research assistant to work on a project related to environmental law and ethics, 10 hours per week. Interested students should send their resume to flournoy@law.ufl.edu or drop it by 310 Holland Hall.

Career Services closed for break

The Center for Career Services will not be open for students during Spring Break, March 5-9. If you need assistance, stop by or make an appointment before March 5, or contact the Office of Student Affairs.

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Moot Court briefs due Tuesday

Moot Court Briefs are due Tuesday (Feb. 13). Other events include:

- **Oral Argument Seminar**, Thursday (Feb. 15), 6:45 p.m., 283 Holland Hall
- **Oral Arguments**, Thursday-Friday, Feb. 22-23, beginning at 6 p.m., 190C Holland Hall
- **Oral Arguments**, Saturday-Sunday, Feb. 24-25, beginning at 9 a.m., Bailey Courtroom
- **Cocktail Party with Justices**, Thursday, March 1, 7 p.m., Natural History Museum
- **Final Four**, Friday, March 2, 12 noon, Auditorium

Apply for APIL fellowships

Students interested in Association of Public Interest Law (APIL) 2001 Summer Fellowships must obtain an application from Career Services and apply by Feb. 23. The fellowships offer a \$3,000 grant for a summer job at a public interest non-profit corporation, and substantial awards to runner-ups.

PAD initiation Feb. 27

Phi Alpha Delta (PAD) law fraternity international will host a new member initiation ceremony Tuesday, Feb. 27, 6:30 p.m., 283 Holland Hall. For information: UFPAD@law.com, or stop by their desk in the Student Organizations Office.

Summer 2001 clinics

Interested in Summer 2001 Criminal Clinic? Visit Student Affairs and complete a Criminal Clinic Interest Survey form. Applications for both Summer

Find government Web sites

If you are looking for federal government Web sites, **FirstGov** is the first-ever government Web site to provide access to all online U.S. Federal Government resources. This site includes advanced search capabilities that allow you to limit your search to certain keywords, formats (i.e. audio, video, text), and dates. Another useful site is the **Federal Web Locator** at www.infoctr.edu/fwl/index.htm#toc. This site lists links to government Web sites. Both sites offer a great deal of government information.



— **Christopher Vallandingham**,
Reference Librarian,
Legal Information Center

2001 and Fall 2001 will be available the first week in March.

VITA volunteers needed

VITA (Volunteer Income Tax Assistance) is an ABA/IRS-sponsored organization that provides income tax assistance to low income individuals and students. VITA will provide assistance this year from 5:30-9:30 p.m., Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays, through April 12, in the Student Organizations Office, 151 Bruton-Geer. Students can earn pro bono credit for volunteering for this important service. (Previous tax experience preferred.)

Contact VITA at 392.8835 for a volunteer guide and self-test packet.

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• INSIDE THE LAW SCHOOL •

Faculty in the spotlight



Slobogin

- Professor **Christopher Slobogin** recently was quoted by *United Press International* about video surveillance of sporting event fans to detect terrorists and pickpockets, and *The Orlando Sentinel* about prosecutorial use and abuse of grand juries. He also published "Doubts About Daubert: Psychiatric Evidence as a Case Study" in the *Washington & Lee Law Review* (2000).



Seigel



Mills

- Associate Dean **Michael Seigel** was quoted in the *St. Petersburg Times* on law enforcement cracking down on gambling on outcome of the Super Bowl.



Nunn

- The College of Law was mentioned in the January/February edition of *The National Jurist* concerning diversity issues at the law school, with quotes from Interim Dean **Jon Mills** and Professor **Kenneth Nunn**.

Key officials head law school conference on role of law, media, courts in 2000 presidential election

Key participants in Florida's protracted 2000 presidential election will participate in a one-day conference in Holland Hall Auditorium on Monday, Feb. 26, examining legal, political and media aspects of the contested balloting.

The seminar, "FLORIDA ELECTION 2000: Insiders at the Intersection of Law, Politics and the Media," is sponsored jointly by the law school, College of Journalism and Communications, and College of Liberal Arts and Sciences.

Among presentations scheduled are those from members of the legal teams for both Vice President **Al Gore** and President-elect **George W. Bush**, national media representatives, members of the Governor's Elections Task force, state legislators and officials, and academicians.

Interim Dean **Jon Mills**, coordinator of the session, said participants "will examine the unique intersection of law, politics and the media, and the role of each, in the unprecedented, ambiguous situation which dominated American life for more than 30 days following the November election."

Panel moderators in addition to Mills include UF Provost **David Colburn**, Professor **Richard Scher** of the UF department of political science, and **Terry Hynes**, dean of the UF College of Journalism and Communications.

The conference, open to the public, will begin at 8 a.m. with a welcome by UF President **Charles Young**. Five panel sessions, with audience participation, are scheduled until conclusion at 4 p.m.

Among major topics to be discussed:

- What caused Florida's close vote outcome?
- What legal strategies were open to both candidates, how were they pursued – and with what goals in mind?
- How did legal issues and strategies intersect with political realities and media coverage to both enhance and limit options available to the two candidates?
- Are there steps Florida can take to improve its electoral process, make it more fair and reflective of public will, and — if necessary — more democratic than this one is perceived to have been?

Agenda

- 8 a.m.** Welcome, UF President **Charles Young**
- 8:15 a.m.** "Why Florida? What Brought Us Here?"
Jon Mills, Interim Dean
- 8:30 a.m.** "The Courts, The Law and The Media at the Eye of the Storm"
 • Panel Moderator: Dean **Mills**
 • **David Boies**, Partner - Boies Schiller & Flexner, LLP. (Represented VP Al Gore)
 • **Dexter Douglass**, Tallahassee Attorney. (Represented VP Al Gore)
 • **David Cardwell**, Orlando Attorney, Former Director, Florida Division of Elections
 • **David Savage**, Los Angeles Times
 • **Tom Fiedler**, Miami Herald
 • **Mike Vasilinda**, President, Capital News Service, Tallahassee
 • **Joseph P. Klock Jr.** - Steel Hector & Davis, Miami. (Represented Florida Secretary of State Katherine Harris)
- 11 a.m.** "History and Future of the Process of Elections and Voting"
 • Panel Moderator: UF Provost **David Colburn**. Member, Gov. Jeb Bush's 2001 Select Task Force on Elections
 • **Debbie Kearney**, General Counsel to Florida Secretary of State Katherine Harris
 • **Thom Rumberger**, Rumberger Kirk & Caldwell, Tallahassee. Member, Gov. Jeb Bush's 2001 Select Task Force on Elections
 • State Sen. **Rod Smith** (D-Gainesville)
 • Professor **Mark Tushnet**, Georgetown University Law Center.
 • **Pam Iorio**, Hillsborough County Supervisor of Elections. President, Florida Association of Elections Supervisors
- 1:30 p.m.** "Fairness in Voting"
 • Panel Moderator: Professor **Richard Scher**, UF Department of Political Science
 • **Anthony 'Tony' Hill**, Former State Representative. Officer, Florida AFL-CIO
 • Dr. **Gail Baker**, UF Vice President, Public Relations, and Associate Professor
 • Professor **Joseph W. Little**, Alumni Research Scholar/National Media Source
 • **Jacqueline Berrien**, Attorney. NAACP Legal Defense Fund, Washington, DC
- 3 p.m.** "What Have We Learned & Where Do We Go From Here?"
 Panel Moderator: Dr. **Terry Hynes**, Dean, UF College of Journalism and Communications
 • Former Florida Senate President **Toni Jennings**
 • Former Florida Supreme Court Chief Justice **Gerald R. Kogan**



Interim Dean **Jon Mills** (above, in interview on CNN), Professor **Joseph Little**, Associate Dean **Michael Seigel** and other law school professors were quoted by hundreds of major media during the hotly contested 2000 presidential election. Mills is coordinating a forum on the election with Florida and national officials (story at left), and said a major issue to be covered will be "how politics and the media intertwined to capture the attention of the public, and influence the ultimate outcome."

Florida Bar applications

It just got easier to apply to The Florida Bar. Applications are now available on the College of Law Web site (www.law.ufl.edu) in two locations: *Student Affairs* and *Career Services*. (The fingerprint card needed by third-year students is the only item not available online.)

FlaLaw is published each week school is in session to inform and unite the law school community.

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Deadline: 10 a.m. Tuesday for the next week's newsletter.

E-mail news to flalaw@law.ufl.edu, or bring a disk (PC format, text in WordPerfect or Word), including author's name and contact information), to Communications, 288 Holland Hall. (Submit news for *The Docket*, the student newsletter, to the John Marshall Bar Association.)

• COLLEGE OF LAW CALENDAR •

For more events: www.law.ufl.edu/calendar



February

- 12** • **FlaLaw Toastmasters meeting,** 5-6 p.m., 190B HOL
- **BLSA meeting,** 12:40 p.m., Auditorium
- 13** • **BLSA Monologues,** 5:30-9:30 p.m., Auditorium
- **Moot Court Briefs Due**
- **APALSA meeting,** 5:30 p.m., Starbucks, Union Street Station
- **Free session on divorce issues,** 7 p.m., 190C HOL
- **Phi Delta Phi elections and meeting,** 5:20 p.m., 190A HOL
- **PAD meeting,** 5:20 pm, 283 HOL
- **ABA/LSD meeting,** 4:10 p.m., 283 HOL
- **JMBA meeting,** 5:30 p.m., 290 HOL
- 15** • **Moot Court Oral Argument Seminar,** 6:45 p.m., 283 HOL
- **San Jose Summer Law Program informational meeting,** 12:40 p.m., 190A HOL
- **APIL meeting,** 5:30-6:30 p.m. 290 HOL
- **Cariblaw meeting,** 12:40 p.m., 283 HOL
- **Criminal Law Association meeting,** 6:30 p.m., 190A HOL
- **Journal of Entertainment, Art & Sports Law meeting,** 4:10 p.m., 312 HOL
- 16-18** • **Career Development Conference,** UF Hotel & Conference Center
- 16** • **Faculty Enrichment, Professor George Dawson on the LSAT**
- **APIL meeting,** 5:30 p.m., 350 HOL
- 17** • **Toastmasters officer training,** 9 a.m.-1 p.m., Bruton-Geer Cafeteria
- 18** • **JMBA Golf Tournament,** 12:30 p.m., Gainesville National Country Club
- **BLSA practice for upcoming event,** 4:10-8 p.m., Auditorium
- 19** • **JLPP general board meeting,** 5:20 p.m., 190A HOL
- **BLSA executive meeting,** 6 p.m., 190B HOL
- **JLPP meeting,** 5:20-6:20 p.m. 190A HOL

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Florida Bar fellows selected

The following students have been selected as the 2001-02 Florida Bar Foundation CGR Public Service Law Fellows: **Delaine Arrington, Alan Bushnell, Steven Gold, Lakeshia Mosley, Denise Schaffer, Michelle Skinner** and **Tim Stevens**.

"The choice this year was extraordinarily difficult. I cannot remember when I have had a better pool of applicants," said CGR Director of Social Policy **Elizabeth McCulloch**. "Almost all had demonstrated their commitment to public service through volunteer work both before and during law school, and clearly gained from their experiences. Had I had the funds, I could have selected several more students, but funding limitations forced me to limit the fellowships to seven."

Assistant Dean for Career Services **Kathy Urbach** participated in the interviews.

"Every applicant was given full and fair consideration," said McCulloch. "Congratulations to the new Fellows. Those not chosen, and all other students, are urged to seek opportunities for public service at the Center for Career Services, whether in the pro bono program or an externship."

Patent Law Interview Program

To attend the Patent Law Interview Program in Chicago in August, **you must register by Friday, Feb. 23**. The program is hosted by Loyola University Chicago School of Law, and will be held August 2-4 at the Chicago Marriott Suites.

The program is only for law students returning to school in Fall 2001. It is not for students beginning school in the fall, students graduating this semester or summer, or alumni. Prospective positions are for summer associate and entry-level attorney positions for 2002.

This is a highly successful program, which last year included 155 patent law employers, 125 law schools and 900 registered law students from across the country. Registration forms are available in Career Services. Your completed registration form and a check for \$25 (payable to Loyola School of Law) must be returned to Career Services by 4 p.m. Friday, Feb. 23. For more information, stop by the Center for Career Services.