

## Major Law Conferences Scheduled

Four major conferences with national implications are planned in the next 90 days:

- **“Industry is from Mars, Environmentalists are from Venus: Reconciling Our Differences on Earth,”** the Eighth Annual Public Interest Environmental Conference, Feb. 14-16, J. Wayne Reitz Union.
- **“Leveraging Technology for Extraordinary Business Growth,”** First Annual Law and Technology Conference, Feb. 21-22, Hyatt Regency, Miami.
- **“Terrorism and the Money Trail,”** a symposium dedicated to victims of the “Attack on America,” March 11-12, UF Hotel and Conference Center.
- **“Race and Race Relations: Perspectives and Recommendations,”** Third Annual Conference of the Center for the Study of Race and Race Relations, March 21-22, J. Wayne Reitz Union and University Auditorium.

## College Surpasses Goal for Facilities Construction

Thanks to widespread support from alumni throughout Florida and the nation, as well as from law firms, faculty, friends and law students, the Levin College of Law exceeded its goal to raise \$5 million by the end of 2001 toward a \$25 million construction project to begin this year.

Through leadership of **W.C. Gentry** '71, Jacksonville, chairman of the Law Center Association Board of Trustees Building Campaign Committee, and hundreds of alumni volunteers from the Board of Trustees and the law school Alumni Council, more than \$6.3 million was raised by Jan. 4, 2002 – topping the goal by \$1,311,000.

“We mark a new year and a new era at our college today,” said Dean **Jon Mills**. “Our alumni and friends joined together to prove their commitment to the future of this distinguished institution, and to our students and faculty. We now will have facilities that reflect the tremendous educational quality and opportunities that we offer at UF.”

Mills said the campaign was marked by “an outpouring of grass roots support by more than 500 alumni, faculty, staff, friends and students – including a “Class Gift” from the Fall 2001 graduating class, and combined gifts from several UF law student organizations. Every gift, regardless of size, made a difference in this campaign and helped to put us past our goal.”

Mills praised Board of Trustees Chairs **Marybeth McDonald** '82 and **Richard M. “Robie” Robinson** '66 and the nearly 200 class



Work will begin soon on an expanded College of Law library and new Student/Faculty Center.

representatives serving on the Alumni Council, headed by **Bruce Harris** '93, who supported the campaign and helped to secure gifts from classmates and colleagues throughout Florida, Georgia, and around the nation, for their leadership.

“Generous support from UF law faculty also played a major role in this campaign, as it has in prior fund-raising campaigns,” Mills said.

Mills noted the leadership and initiative of UF President **Charles Young** and Provost **David Colburn** in directing university funds to supplement the private fund-raising effort.

“With the \$6.3 million we raised and comparable state matching funds, plus \$12.6 million provided by President Young and UF, we soon will be able to break ground on the library addition (Lawton Chiles Legal Information Center) and the Student/Faculty Academic Center,” Mills said. “Finally we will have first-class facilities to match our first-class students and faculty.”

## Law Review Writing Competition

*Florida Law Review* will meet regarding its spring 2002 writing competition today (Jan. 22), 6 p.m., 190 Holland Hall (Auditorium). The *Review* encourages all third-semester students who have passed both Legal Research & Writing and Appellate Advocacy and maintained a 2.0 GPA to participate. Competitors who are selected will be extended an invitation to join the *Review*.

## Moot Court Seminar Today

The Justice Campbell Thornal Moot Court Team will host a Brief Writing Seminar today (Jan. 22), 6:30 p.m., 190C Holland Hall, and a Q&A session for spring 2002 tryout competitors Thursday, Jan. 31, 6:30 p.m., 190C Holland Hall. For information: **LaKesia Mosley**, [msmosley@hotmail.com](mailto:msmosley@hotmail.com); 377.3366.

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## Career Development Conference

Thinking about a career in tax? Sports? Corporate law?

The Second Annual Career Development Conference will take place at the UF Hotel and Conference Center Feb. 16. The conference will feature panels and a reception with attorneys from around the state to provide students with an opportunity to learn about different legal careers. Lunch will be provided.

For information, or to volunteer at the conference: **Jessica Callow**, [jcallow@ufl.edu](mailto:jcallow@ufl.edu).

## 'Teach For America'

Representatives from 'Teach For America' will be at UF Jan. 29-31 for classroom presentations and information sessions. Teach For America is the national corps that asks outstanding and diverse recent college graduates to commit two years to teach in urban and rural public schools and become lifelong leaders in ensuring that children have an equal chance in life.

Faculty able to allocate 10 minutes of classroom time Jan. 29-31 for a presentation on Teach For America should contact: **Brian Dassler**, [bdassler@aa.ufl.edu](mailto:bdassler@aa.ufl.edu).

## • CENTER FOR CAREER SERVICES •

### Resume Review Today

Students are encouraged to bring resumes to the Center for Career Services today (Jan. 22) during "Walk-In Resume Review," 8:30-11:15 a.m.

### Mandatory Externship Meeting

There will be a mandatory summer/fall 2002 externship orientation meeting Wednesday (Jan. 23), Bailey Courtroom, 10:20-11:20 a.m. If you are interested in an externship for summer or fall 2002 you MUST attend this meeting. If you cannot, contact **Laura Traynham** in Career Services for an appointment between Jan. 23rd and Feb. 1st.

### Bar Fellowship Deadline

Deadline to apply for the Florida Bar Foundation 2002 Legal Services Summer Fellowship Program is Jan. 31. Applications available in Career Services.

### Symposium Time Change

The Eighth Annual Pro Bono Symposium will be held at noon Friday, Feb. 1, in the Bailey Courtroom. This is an excellent opportunity,

particularly for first-year students, to learn about volunteer opportunities.

### Prosecutors' Minority Recruitment Job Fair Jan. 25

The 2002 Prosecutors' Minority Recruitment Job Fair will be held Friday (Jan. 25) in Jacksonville at the Florida Coastal School of Law. See **Jessie Howell** in the Center for Career Services for additional information.

### On-Campus Interviews (OCI)

Resume drop for OCI begins 9 a.m., Monday, Jan. 28. Open times for resume submittal are Monday through Wednesday, 9 a.m.-4 p.m., and Thursday, 9 a.m.-Noon. See the Center for Career Services for more information.

### Missed ICAN Orientations?

If you missed the ICAN Orientations and wish to participate in On-Campus Interviews or view online job listings, pick up a packet in the Center for Career Services and arrange to view a video tape of the presentation.

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### Scholarships Available

Continuing Student Scholarships (\$1,000-\$1,500) for second- and third-year law students and eligibility requirements are listed on the Financial Aid bulletin board. Applications can be obtained from Student Affairs, and must be returned by Friday, Feb. 8. (Current scholarship recipients should note they are eligible to receive only one scholarship from the law school during a semester.)

### JMBA Representative Elections

The John Marshall Bar Association (JMBA) will elect six new JMBA representatives today (Jan. 22), 6 p.m., 190B Holland Hall. This is a good opportunity, particularly for first-semester students, to have a voice in law school student government. Reps coordinate community service projects, plan social events, give students access to outlines and other student services, and influence the future of the college through service on faculty-student committees.

### FJIL Write-On Competition

The *Florida Journal of International Law* invites second- through fifth-semester students to participate

in its spring 2002 write-on competition. Introductory meetings will be held Wednesday (Jan. 23) at 5:30 p.m. and Thursday (Jan. 24) at 12:40 p.m., in 290 Holland Hall. For information: **FJIL Student Works Editor Lisa Davis**, [Ldavis1112@aol.com](mailto:Ldavis1112@aol.com).

### JTLP General Meeting

The *Journal of Technology Law & Policy* will meet Thursday (Jan. 24), 5:10 p.m., 290 Holland Hall. Topics include selecting new assistant editors and discussing the upcoming write-on competition. For information: Editor-in-Chief **Robert Thornburg**, [rht@ufl.edu](mailto:rht@ufl.edu).

### Trial Team Honor Forms Due

Second- and third-semester students interested in sharpening advocacy skills by competing on Trial Team should turn in Team Honor Forms by 5 p.m., Thursday (Jan. 24), in the Trial Team Office. For information: **Shawntoyia Grier**, [sgrier@ufl.edu](mailto:sgrier@ufl.edu).

### Join JMBA for a Night on the Town

JMBA is sponsoring a night on the town for its members Thursday (Jan. 24), and invites you to join  
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Photo by Angie Brown

**Staff Receive Productivity Awards**

Former UF President **John Lombardi** (back) recently presented three Legal Information Center staff with 2001 Davis Productivity Awards for their contributions to the state and UF. **Marie Wolfe** (center) was honored for assuming additional duties for 11 months while the incumbent was on medical leave. **Janet Williams** (right) and **Melissa Ware** (second from left, who has since taken another job at UF), were honored for assuming additional duties of unpacking, cataloging records, and repacking 700 boxes of books (about 11,000 volumes) for shipment to the new law school at Florida International University. Also present at the awards presentation were Legal information Center Director **Betty Taylor** (left), and Assistant Director, Technical Services, **Mae Clarke** (second from right).

Davis Productivity Awards honor innovation, creativity and smart work that measurably increase performance and productivity in the delivery of state services and products. The awards include plaques, certificates of commendation and other public recognition, and cash awards of \$100 to \$2,500. The Florida Council of 100, state of Florida, and TaxWatch began administering the awards in 1989, and have recognized nearly 5,000 individuals and work units for adding \$3.4 billion to the value of state services.

**In The Spotlight**

*Information as provided by faculty and staff, and by regular searches of news media story reports.*

- Chesterfield Smith Professor **Michael Gordon** was appointed Co-Chair of the ABA International Law Section’s International Transactions

Committee, and will put on a full-day “Fundamentals of International Business Law” panel at the ABA International Law Section spring meeting. He traveled in recent months to Washington and New York for a deposition and hearing involving the Guatemalan telecommunications system and issues of jurisdiction, and also has served in Mexico City on a NAFTA panel on a case involving urea imports from Russia and the U.S. He was appointed arbitrator in Miami in a dispute between entitites in Canada and Venezuela. He is now preparing for a Washington NAFTA panel.



Gordon

- Stephen C. O’Connell Chair **Jeffrey Harrison** was quoted in the *Los Angeles Times* about legal experts dominating trial testimony. In May, he will be a Visiting Professor at the Sorbonne — Pantheon in Paris, where he will deliver a talk on law and behavioral economics and consult with graduate students.



Harrison

- Legal Skills Professor **Tracy Rambo** placed third in Women’s Epee at the Space Coast Fencing Tournament in Cocoa Beach.



Rambo

- Assistant Professor **Jonathan Cohen** was interviewed by National Public Radio’s Marketplace Morning Report concerning apology in the workplace and new laws addressing apologies.



Cohen

- Professor **Steven Willis** spoke on Family Law Tax Issues at the January mid-year meeting of The Florida Bar in Miami.



Willis

- Associate Dean and Stephen C. O’Connell Professor **Christopher Slobogin** was quoted in the *Florida Times-Union* on the Frank Valdez murder case.



Slobogin

**Not Enough Time?**

Many people find it hard to manage time effectively because it takes so much planning and commitment.

The best way to free up time is by doubling up on activities. Also:

- Include study times in planning. Specify times for outlining, briefing or reading. Let others know these times are reserved.
- Accomplish minor tasks during study breaks. You should take at least one 5-15 minute study break every hour. Use that time to return calls, check e-mail, errands or chores.
- Reduce driving time by pre-planning. For example, take workout clothes with you to school so you can stop at the gym on your way home.

Be creative while planning and managing time. Contact me for assistance creating a schedule that maximizes your time.

**For information or an appointment:** Resource Counselor Heather McWilliams, 244 Bruton-Geer Hall, phone 392.7044, e-mail [heatherj@ufl.edu](mailto:heatherj@ufl.edu) or [mcwillh@law.ufl.edu](mailto:mcwillh@law.ufl.edu). Office hours: Monday, 10 a.m.-6 p.m.; Tuesday, 9 a.m.-2 p.m.; Thursday, 10 a.m.-3:30 p.m.

## Baker Memorial Service

A memorial service for **Marge Baker** will be held at the University Baughman Center at 4 p.m. Friday (Jan. 25). Baker passed away Dec. 22. She had worked as a secretary in Legal Research and Writing since 1989. Her family asks that donations be made to Hospice.

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

E-mail news to [flalaw@law.ufl.edu](mailto: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 student newsletter, *The Docket*, to John Marshall Bar Association.)

## • COLLEGE OF LAW CALENDAR •



For more events: <http://www.law.ufl.edu/calendar/>

### January

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| <p><b>22</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Law Review - Open Write-On Competition Meeting</b>, 6-8 p.m., 190 HOL (Auditorium)</li> <li>• <b>Moot Court Brief Writing Seminar</b>, 6:30 p.m., 190C HOL</li> <li>• <b>Walk-In Resume Review</b>, 8:30-11:15 a.m., Center for Career Services</li> <li>• <b>JMBA Representative Elections</b>, 6 p.m., 190B HOL</li> </ul> <p><b>23</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>FJIL-Introductory Meeting for Write-On Competition</b>, 6:20 p.m., 290 HOL</li> <li>• <b>Student Organization's Fair</b>, 10 a.m.-2 p.m., Concourse</li> <li>• <b>Summer/Fall 2002 Externship Orientation Meeting</b>, 10:20-11:20 a.m., Bailey Courtroom</li> <li>• <b>Public Interest Environmental Conference Meeting</b>, 6 p.m., CGR Conference Room</li> </ul> | <p><b>24</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Summer Abroad in France Informational Meeting</b>, 12:40 p.m., 190C HOL</li> <li>• <b>Journal of Technology Law &amp; Policy Meeting</b>, 5:10 p.m., 290 HOL</li> <li>• <b>BLSA Meeting</b>, 5:20-7 p.m., 190A HOL</li> <li>• <b>Faculty Meeting</b>, 12:40 p.m., Faculty Dining Room</li> <li>• <b>FJIL-Introductory Meeting for Write-On Competition</b>, 12:40 p.m., 290 HOL</li> <li>• <b>LCC - Council of Presidents</b>, 6:30-7:30 p.m., 283 HOL</li> <li>• <b>JMBA Night Out</b>, 9 p.m., Begins at Fat Fat Tuesday's</li> </ul> <p><b>25</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Monday Classes Meet, Friday Classes Canceled</b></li> </ul> <p><b>29</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Law Review - Open Write-On Competition</b>, 5:30-7:30 p.m., 190 HOL (Auditorium)</li> </ul> |
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them as they "crawl" downtown. The party begins at Fat Tuesday's at 9 p.m. Later destinations TBA. Refreshments provided. Cost is \$2 for JMBA members and \$9 for non-members. For information: **Ben Diamond**, [bd@ufl.edu](mailto:bd@ufl.edu) or 271.3010.

### Summer Program Meetings

The College of Law offers Summer Study Abroad Programs in Montpellier, France; Cape Town, South Africa; and San Jose, Costa Rica. (Detailed information is available on the College of Law Web site ([www.law.ufl.edu](http://www.law.ufl.edu), "Study Abroad.") Informational meetings on the programs will be:

- **France** — Thursday (Jan. 24), 12:40 p.m., 190C Holland Hall.
- **South Africa** — Thursday, Jan. 31, 12:40 p.m., 190A Holland Hall.
- **Costa Rica** — Thursday, Jan. 31, 1 p.m., 190C Holland Hall.

For information: Student Affairs Coordinator **Noemar Castro** ([castro@law.ufl.edu](mailto:castro@law.ufl.edu), 392.0421).

### Environmental Committee Meets

The Public Interest Environmental Conference Planning Committee will meet Wednesday (Jan. 23) and Jan. 30, Feb. 6 and Feb. 13, 6 p.m., CGR Conference Room, 230 Bruton-Geer Hall.

### LAW/ABA Liaison Needed

Students interested in serving as liaison between the National Association of Women Lawyers and the ABA's Law Student Division should send resumes

or letters expressing interest in the position to **Dawn Henrichon** before the Feb. 1 mid-year meeting, when she will present applicant information to the President-Elect. For information: Henrichon at [dhenrich@ufl.edu](mailto:dhenrich@ufl.edu).

### Toastmasters Meet Jan. 29

Students interested in building self-confidence and developing professional speaking skills are invited to attend the first Toastmasters meeting of the semester Jan. 29, 5:30 p.m., 190C Holland Hall. Refreshments served.

### Guest Lecture On Western/Jewish Legal Systems

All are invited to attend a guest lecture by Rabbi **Selis** on differences between Western and Jewish legal systems Thursday, Jan. 31, 6 p.m., 290 Holland Hall, sponsored by the Jewish Law Students Association and Hillel. Refreshments served.

### Study in the Netherlands

Students can combine an exciting travel abroad opportunity with their studies by spending a semester at Leiden University—Rijks Universitet in the western part of the Netherlands. UF students can apply for fall semester now. Applications are available in Student Affairs, and due by 4 p.m., Friday, Feb. 22. For information: Student Affairs Coordinator **Noemar Castro** (392.0421, [castro@law.ufl.edu](mailto:castro@law.ufl.edu)), or the Web at [www.law.ufl.edu](http://www.law.ufl.edu), under "Study Abroad." For information about Leiden University, go to [www.leidenuniv.nl](http://www.leidenuniv.nl).