

Director Named For Center For Race & Race Relations

University of Maryland Associate Professor of Criminology and Criminal Justice **Katheryn Russell-Brown** has been named director of the Levin College of Law Center for the Study of Race and Race Relations (CSRRR).

“We conducted a very thorough national search to find someone with Katheryn’s unique combination of scholarship and leadership,” said Dean **Jon Mills**. “She not only has strong academic credentials, she possesses the ability to foster unity and understanding across campus and throughout the state. I believe she will deepen our knowledge of racial issues and help us develop strategies for the future.”

“This is a wonderful opportunity to continue and elevate the important but challenging local, national, and global conversation on race,” said Russell-Brown. “UF’s law school offers an intellectually rigorous and welcoming environment for this work.”

The first of its kind at a Southern law school, the Center for the Study of Race and Race Relations seeks to promote racial understanding, interracial dispute resolution, racial equality and racial healing, and to influence public policy through university, local, state and national projects. It also brings guest speakers to campus and hosts state and national conferences, such as the “Rhyme, Rhetoric and Race” conference (*see page 3*) beginning this Thursday (March 27).

“Katheryn Russell-Brown is superbly qualified to lead CSRRR,” said Search Committee member **Barbara Bennett Woodhouse**, David H. Levin Chair in Family Law, director of the Center on Children and the



Katheryn Russell-Brown

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ABA/AALS Reps On Campus Through Wednesday For Sabbatical Site Visit

American Bar Association (ABA) and Association of American Law Schools (AALS) representatives are in Gainesville until Wednesday (March 26), to conduct a site visit at the UF Levin College of Law as part of the ABA accreditation process and AALS review for conformity.

The team will visit classes, meet with UF and law school administrators, and speak with students, staff, alumni and members of the bench and bar. It has scheduled an open forum to allow students to share their thoughts on the law school Tuesday (March 25), noon (open period), Bailey Courtroom.

“Yours is an impressive institution with a vision for its future,” wrote Sabbatical Site Visit Team Chair **W.H. Joe Knight**, dean of the University of Washington School of Law, in a message to faculty. “We look forward to meeting you.”

Also on the team are Fordham University Law Professor **James A. Cohen**, University of Alabama Law Professor **Bryan Fair**, **A.H. Gaede, Jr.** of Bradley, Arant, Rose & White, University of Connecticut Law Dean **Nell Jessup Newton**, Wake Forest University School of Law Professor **Marian Parker** and University of Kentucky Medical School Dean **David S. Watt**.

Family Law Presentation Wednesday

The Law College Council and Alachua County Support Services continue their Community Law Series Wednesday (March 26) with a presentation on **Family Law** sponsored by the Law Association for Women.

Also scheduled are **Street Law** (April 2) and **Landlord/Tenant Disputes** (April 9). All are at 7 p.m., Alachua County Health Department auditorium (224 SE 24th St., behind Food Lion on Hawthorne Road). For information: **Nicole Kibert** (392-2237 or nck@ufl.edu).

LRW Teaching Assistants Needed

The Legal Research and Writing Department needs fall teaching assistants (applications available) (*Announcements Continue Page 2*)

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Student Asked To Return Surveys

Associate Dean for Students, Professionalism and Community Relations **Gail Sasnett** reminds students to complete and return the “Law School Survey of Student Engagement” to Student Affairs. The college relies on information from the survey to improve student programs and services.

Renew Financial Aid For 2003-04

Apply now for aid for the 2003-04 academic year. You are encouraged to apply online, since it saves processing time and its built-in editing format reduces errors. Go to FAFSA/Renewal FAFSA on the Web (www.FAFSA.ed.gov) and follow instructions. (You can then check the status of your application and/or make corrections online.)

As a 2003-04 renewal applicant, you will not receive a renewal form in the mail, but instead should use your federal access code or "PIN" to apply electronically. First-time applicants using a paper FAFSA can obtain a 2003-04 Free Application for Federal Student Aid in the Student Affairs lobby. For information: Financial Aid Coordinator **Randy Patton** (392-0421).

Honor Committee Elections

Honor Committee Elections for first-, third- and fifth-semester Honor Committee Representatives are Tuesday (March 25).

• CENTER FOR CAREER SERVICES •

Register Today For Externships

Students enrolling in summer or fall externships must return the Externship Program Acknowledgment and Registration Form to the Center for Career Services by today (March 24). Students will be given registration numbers when they become available.

Summer Law Clerk Presentation

Quarles & Brady will present a program on what to expect and how to succeed as a summer law clerk Friday, April 11, 11:30 a.m., Bailey Courtroom. Pizza will be served.

Pro Bono Celebration April 10

Students who volunteer their legal expertise for 35 hours or more can earn a Pro Bono Certificate this semester if they turn in their hours, signed by a supervisor, to Career Services **by noon Wednesday (March 26)**. (Names of students receiving a spring certificate are posted on the board outside Career Services.)

Students earning Spring 2003 certificates

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able in LRW office). For information: Legal Skills Professor & Director of Legal Research, Writing, and Appellate Advocacy **Henry Wihnyk** (392-2198).

2000 Presidential Election Debate

Learn the inside story about legal maneuvering in the 2000 Presidential Election and Florida recount from chief Florida attorneys for the two candidates. **Dexter Douglass** (who represented Al Gore) and **Barry Richard** (George W. Bush) will participate in a debate on these issues Tuesday (April 1), 7:30 p.m., 215 Emerson Alumni Hall. This fourth annual August M. Burns Lecture is hosted by the UF History Department. For information: History Professor **Julian Pleasants** (jpleasan@history.ufl.edu or 392-7168).

JMBA Elections, Ball Tickets On Sale

• **John Marshall Bar Association (JMBA) elections** for four officer and 22 representative positions will be held Tuesday (March 25), on the concourse. For information: JMBA President **Chris**



Practical experience on your resume gained through Pro Bono work this summer can help you land the job of your dreams. Contact Career Services for opportunities and information.

are invited to attend Career Services' Annual Pro Bono Celebration Thursday, April 10, 11:30 a.m., Faculty Dining Room.

Make Plans Now For Summer

If you have yet to make plans for summer, consider gaining experience and helping others through pro bono work in Gainesville or your hometown. Visit Career Services for information.

Hand (cjhand@ufl.edu or 380-9043) or JMBA Office (UF_JMBA@hotmail.com or 377-7655).

• **JMBA Barrister's Ball tickets** — \$25 for JMBA members and \$30 for others — will be sold on the concourse and in the JMBA Office until March 27. (JMBA members may purchase two discount tickets each.) Beverages and heavy hors d'oeuvres included. The black tie optional event is Friday (March 28), 8 p.m.-1 a.m., Sweetwater Branch Inn. For information: **Melissa Pallett** (mpallett@ufl.edu).

Ambassador Positions Open

Interested second-semester students have until 5 p.m. April 4 to apply for Introduction to Law School and the Profession ambassadors' positions. Each ambassador will assist and guide a team of 10-12 entering students during their first weeks and be available for help throughout the semester.

Duties include conducting activities for new students to help them get to know each other, assisting them in transitioning to law school,

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developing a support group for them and challenging them to become an active part of the community. The successful applicant will be highly energetic, have strong leadership and solicitation skills, be able to attend a training meeting this semester and be available by Aug. 14.

Applications are available in Student Affairs. For information: **Noemar Castro** (castro@law.ufl.edu or 392-0421).

Grads Wanted For Law Alumni Council

Stay in touch with classmates and colleagues — and represent and help improve your school — by serving on the Law Alumni Council, an advisory board of 200-plus alumni from each graduating class who assist with reunions, alumni outreach programs, fund-raising and student support.

To join, bring your resume to **Mary Griffin** in Development & Alumni Affairs (282 HOL) and get a copy of the bylaws. Then attend an introductory meeting with Alumni Council President **Ken Johnson** of Naples Friday, April 11, 2:30-3:30 p.m., Dean's Conference Room (334-A HOL).

Student members are encouraged — though not required — to attend the council meeting Saturday, April 12, 9:30 a.m., 297 HOL, and luncheon following at 11 a.m. in the law school cafeteria. RSVP by April 4 to Griffin (griffin@law.ufl.edu or 392-9296).



Workshop Examines Protected Species & Habitats in Florida

Ashley Seifert (left, a UF Conservation Clinic student from the Department of Zoology) and third-year law student **Stephen Fernandez** spoke on managing uplands and “Keystone Species: The case of the Gopher Tortoise” at a Protected Species and Upland Habitat Workshop late last month. Also speaking was **Ray Ashton** president of Ashton Biodiversity Research and Preservation Institute, Inc., who discussed applying principles of upland conservation biology to management planning. The workshop was sponsored by the Conservation Clinic and Gopher Tortoise Conservation Initiative.

Race Conference Thursday

The Center for the Study of Race and Race Relations (CSRRR) will host Thursday-Friday (March 27-28) its fourth annual conference — “Rhyme, Rhetoric and Race: Exploring the Influence of Language, Literature and Lyrics on Race Relations.”

Harvard Law Professor **Lani Guinier** is keynote speaker. Sessions will focus on legal aspects of hate speech, censorship and literature promoting “emotional segregation,” and will include discussions on legal rights and responsibilities and roles of educators, legislators, litigators and parents, as well as interdisciplinary presentations on history and the development of racialized literature and expressions.

For information, go to www.law.ufl.edu/centers/csrrr/events.shtml, or contact Director of Conference Planning & Special Events **Barbara DeVoe** (392-8070 or devoe@law.ufl.edu).

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Law and co-director of the Institute for Child and Adolescent Research and Evaluation.

“We were looking for a person of vision and versatility — but we never dreamed we could find a lawyer, scholar, teacher, sociologist, mentor and administrator wrapped up in one. Kathryn is truly a renaissance woman and we were lucky to find her,” said Woodhouse.

Russell-Brown is the author of two books, *The Color of Crime* and the forthcoming *Underground Codes: Race, Crime, and Related Fires*, both published by New York University Press. Her 1994 article, “The Constitutionality of Jury Override in Alabama Death Penalty Cases,” published in the *Alabama Law Review*, was cited by the U.S. Supreme Court in *Harris v. Alabama* (1995).

She received her B.A. (legal studies) from

the University of California-Berkeley, J.D. from the University of California Hastings Law School and Ph.D. (criminology) from the University of Maryland.

Her teaching, research and writing have been in the areas of criminal law, sociology of law and race and crime. In addition to her 11 years at Maryland, she has taught at the American University School of Law, City University of New York (CUNY) Law School, Howard University and Alabama State University. She previously worked at the Southern Poverty Law Center as a legal intern. She is a member of the American Society of Criminology, Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences, and American Bar Association.

CSRRR has been under direction of Associate Director **Desta Meghoo-Peddle** since the departure of former director **Rahim Reed**.

Media Services — A Lot With A Little

Media Services (second floor of Bruton-Geer Hall) handles all audio-visual needs at the law school, including presentation and production services for classroom, clinic and student activities. That it has served the law school's needs so well for so long is extraordinary — since it operates with technology and equipment purchased in the 1980s and is long overdue for equipment upgrades. It also is a testament to the dedication of its staff: Manager **Jim Flavin**, Assistant in Media Services **Brian Burns**, Audio/Visual Specialist **John Hunter** and a number of part-time workers.

Flavin (B.S.Br., M.Ed., UF; M.L.S. Florida State U.)



Flavin

coordinates all media activities within the law school. Burns (B.S., M.Ed., Indiana;



Burns

M.L.S., U. of South Florida) assists with daily operations, including the computer lab and video collection. Hunter (B.A., U. of West Florida) handles scheduling and setup for all A/V equipment requests.



Hunter

Adkins Heads Educational Technology Services Office Created to Meld Computer, Media & Web Operations

Legal Technology Institute (LTI) Director **Andrew Z. Adkins III** has been named associate director of the new Educational Technology Services (ETS) Department at the Levin College of Law. The department — which ultimately will combine computer, media and web services — was created last month following a report from Technology Consultant **George Comeau**, who visited campus and met with numerous “user groups” at the law school late last year.

“We hired George to examine our technology and related services so we could better plan for major renovations and upgrades to our facilities getting underway in December,” said Dean **Jon Mills**. “His key recommendations included major updates to equipment and software and merging the college’s three technology-related groups into one to improve communication and customer service. Andy’s extensive experience in technology and legal information management systems made him the obvious choice to head the new department.”

Adkins is one of only a handful of consultants nationally specializing in legal technology. He has advised local, state and national bar associations and provided consulting services to nearly 300 law firms and government law departments. He also has authored more than 100 articles in publications such as *PC World* and *Law Office Computing*, and co-founded *The Internet Lawyer*.

Adkins will continue to serve as LTI director and executive director of the International Center for Automated Information Research (ICAIR), and will report to Legal Information Center (LIC) Director **Betty Taylor** in his new role.

“Half of the issues here deal with hardware, software and networking. The other half are people and processes, and they have to work in concert for technology to function correctly,” said Adkins, an electronics engineer from a family of lawyers that includes former Florida Supreme Court Justice **James C. Adkins Jr.** (his uncle), former Bradford County Judge and 8th Judicial Circuit Judge **Andrew Z. Adkins** (grandfather), and the late Gainesville lawyer **Andrew Z. Adkins Jr.** (father).

“You have to learn what people do and how they use technology,” said Adkins. “Then you pro-



Incoming Legal Information Center Director **Kathie Price** and Associate Director for Educational Technology Services **Andy Adkins** (at center) will work with Media Services Director **Jim Flavin** (left), Computing Services Head **Mark Bergeron** and Webmaster **James Marini** (not shown) to unify the college’s technology-related services.

vide them not only with the tools they need to do their jobs, but also the knowledge and skills they need to optimize the use of those tools. I am meeting with our four primary user groups — faculty, students, administrators and support staff — to determine their hardware and support needs and how we can help them reach their work potential.”

“Andy has recognized strengths in consensus building, coordination and planning that already are proving beneficial in improving communication between the college’s technical people and those who depend upon their services,” said incoming LIC Director **M. Kathleen Price**, now director of the Law Library and professor of law at New York University.

Pending construction and renovations at the college will provide new facilities and greatly expanded library and classroom space, and enable the school to make full use of the latest technology. ETS is key to this process, as is bringing technology-related personnel and services together into one cohesive unit. Media and Computer Services (see sidebar this page and page 5), headed by **Jim Flavin** and **Mark Bergeron**, already have been brought into ETS. Webmaster **James Marini**, now reporting to Communications Director **Stan Huguenin**, will join the group when planning efforts are complete.

“Merging these departments into one multi-functional technology arm will benefit everyone, from users inside the college to those who visit our website or otherwise rely on resources available

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Computing Services Meets UF Law Computer Needs

Computing Services (CS) is responsible for more than 360 desktop computers, seven file servers and 200 printers, and has worked with a limited budget to provide the law school with a level of technology and support superior to that of most other UF colleges. CS now is searching for funding to bring the college to the next level, with resources equivalent to its peer institutions nationwide.

Mark Bergeron (B.S., electrical engineering, Auburn) has headed CS for 16 years, and is responsible for budgeting, purchasing, network access and accounts.

Jon Martin has been assistant manager for networking for eight years, and handles GroupWise and network infrastructure “behind the walls,” including



Bergeron **Martin**



Amos **Crisman**



Biggs **Peterson**



Henry **Amirin**

cabling, file servers, switches and communications with the outside. He also is an assistant network administrator on main campus, where he helps manage the Novell Network.

Operating Systems and Applications Specialist **Stan Amos** (A.S., Computer Information Systems Analysis, SFCC) is responsible for desktop operating systems and application management, including “core” software applications (Corel and Microsoft Office), and can be credited for making software installations and updates faster and more “invisible” to users.

Help Desk Manager **Daniel Crisman** finds solutions to computer-related problems and supervises technicians **Christopher Biggs, Ted Peterson, Matthew Henry** and **Jason Amirin**.

Webmaster Marini Spins For UF Law

James Marini maintains the UF College of Law website, and helps keep its content current and design intriguing. This is no small task,



Marini

since the site is one of UF’s largest, with more than 1,000 “pages.” But since his arrival James has earned an outstanding reputation for meeting the needs of his multiple “clients” quickly and well.

Marini graduated from Hawthorne High School in 1997, then pursued two associate degrees (engineering and computer information systems) from Santa Fe Community College. He worked at the Center for Instructional Technology and Training at UF as a software consultant and Web implementer while attending Santa Fe, and joined the law school last year. He begins his studies this summer at UF in Computer Information Systems in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences.

In his spare time, Marini operates his own Web design business, *StrategicStudio.com*, which offers custom Web design & graphics, Web hosting and consultation.

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through the College of Law,” said Adkins.

Prior to creating LTI in 1997, Adkins was president of his own legal technology firm, Adkins Consulting Group. He created the firm in 1989 to meet the legal profession’s need for assistance in utilizing computers, just then being introduced to legal practice. Prior to 1989, he was a senior engineer with Harris Corporation, Melbourne; Florida project leader for Firmware Development, where he designed and developed state-of-the-art military electronic systems; and an engineer with Weyerhaeuser Company in Oklahoma and Seattle. He earned his B.S. (electrical engineering, 1982) and Masters (engineering, 1989) at UF. He is past president of the Gainesville Area Innovation Network, Founder of the Alachua County Computer Recycling Program, member and co-founder of The Legal Consulting Group and member of the American Bar Association/Law Practice Management Section. He was honored by The Florida Bar Committee on Technology with the Judge Earle Zehmer Memorial Outstanding Service Award for enhancing the use of technology in Florida’s legal and judicial systems.

Adkins is working on a Strategic Long-Range Technology Plan that includes an enhanced budget for upgrades and planned implementations into the 21st century. He will refine the plan during discussions this summer with the law school’s Technology Committee and two task forces now

being formed for Academic and Administrative Technology.

“Everyone at the university has been hit hard by budget reductions in recent years,” said Adkins. “Technology is no exception. Computing Services, for example, has tried for years to meet the requests of their clients with very limited resources, which has resulted in frustration for them and for users. And while our audio/visual systems were state-of-the-art when Bruton-Geer Hall was built in the 1980s, we are still using that same equipment all these years later.”

Adkins said many vital improvements are planned for the near future, including upgrades to the phone system, older desktop workstations and Token Ring network segments, and file server storage. High priorities include:

- **Upgrades to desktop computers.** About 180 workstations (300 MHz and 450 MHz systems) are below current standards. While funds are being sought to replace these, ETS is working to improve their performance and decrease problems.
- **Improved file server and network infrastructure.** ETS is changing the network from Token-Ring to Ethernet to improve performance, increase redundancy and reduce risk and downtime (upgrades usually occur between semesters and during the summer to minimize downtime).

“We are working diligently to improve customer service and end-user assistance,” Adkins concluded. “Service is our first priority.”

Georgia Bar Exam Barbri Course

Students planning to take the Georgia Bar exam this July who would like to participate in a Barbri course at the UF College of Law this summer may be able to do so. Barbri will provide the official course for the Georgia Bar exam (as opposed to the audio/home study course), to UF law students if 15 or more participate. To sign up or for details, e-mail **Shireen Hormozdi** (*Shireen997@hotmail.com*) or call Georgia Barbri (1-800-360-7277).

LexisNexis Certification

LexisNexis Certification is Tuesday (March 25).

A "Lexis Build Your Future Class" will be held April 1, 2 & 3 to allow students to get certified prior to clerkship this summer.

Apply By This Wednesday For Fall Clinics, Trial Practice

If you plan to take Criminal, Civil or Mediation Clinic, Clinic Prep or Trial Practice during Fall 2003 — or Criminal Clinic or Civil Clinic during Summer 2003 — you **MUST** obtain an application from Student Affairs and return it by 5 p.m. Wednesday (March 26). (Informational sheets on bulletin board outside Student Affairs).

- **Criminal Clinic** (Fall or Summer) - Offered in a variety of locations. Those selected **MUST** attend a **MANDATORY** meeting (date/time TBA). Before the start of summer/fall term, students must have completed 48 credit hours, Trial Practice or Trial Advocacy, Police Practices and Adversary Systems. (Important: Criminal Clinic requires 30 hours in addition to class time in summer, and 20 additional hours in fall.)
- **Full Representation Civil Clinic** (Fall or Summer) - No clinic prep requirement, but first three weeks of the semester (two weeks during summer) are known as the "Intensive Seminar" and require 20 hours of class time per week.
- **Mediation Clinic** (Fall) - No prerequisites. First two-and-a-half weeks are an Intensive Seminar (total of 40 hours), which is scheduled around other courses. Friday mornings must be available for mediations conducted downtown.
- **Ocala/Lake City Mediation** (Fall) - No prerequisites. First two-and-a-half weeks are Intensive Seminar (total of 20 hours) that qualifies as an approved County Court Mediation course certified by the Supreme Court of Florida. This clinic is identical to Mediation Clinic (above), but times will be Monday, 2-3:50 p.m.; Tuesday, 9-10:50 a.m.; and Wednesday, 8 a.m.-noon, and it is located in Ocala/Lake City. Wednesday mornings must be free to conduct mediations.
- **Trial Practice** (Fall) - Registration by application. Priority given to fifth-semester students. Remaining slots will be filled by fourth- and sixth-semester students, in that order.
- **Juvenile Prep/Juvenile Clinic** (Fall) - Two-semester sequence: Juvenile Clinic Prep in Fall 2003 and Juvenile Clinic in Spring 2003. Register for the sequence by applying to Juvenile Clinic Prep. (Students automatically proceed to Juvenile Clinic.) Preference given to fifth-semester stu-



Institute for Dispute Resolution Associate Director Alison Gerencser (left) and others in the Virgil Hawkins Civil Clinics help students acquire practical experience while earning credit.

dents who have taken Children's Law, Family Law, Evidence, Trial Practice or Trial Advocacy, and Juvenile Externships, Family Law Judicial Externships or Domestic Violence Externships.

- **Pro Se Clinic Prep/Pro Se Clinic** (Fall) - Two-semester sequence: Pro Se Clinic Prep in Fall 2003 and Pro Se Clinic in Spring 2004. Register by applying to Pro Se Clinic Prep. (Students in Pro Se Clinic Prep automatically proceed to Pro Se Clinic.) Preference given to fifth-semester students who have taken Family Law, Evidence, Trial Practice or Trial Advocacy, and Family Law Judicial Clerk Externships or Domestic Violence Externships.
- **Child Welfare Clinic** (Fall) - Child, Parent & the State required before enrolling. Preference also given to sixth-semester students who have taken Family Law, Advanced Topics in Family Law Seminar or Juvenile/Family Law Externship. For more information about this clinic, contact **Monique Haughton** (*Haughton@law.ufl.edu*).
- **Conservation Clinic** (Fall) - The clinic accepts a limited number of fall applicants, who must have completed three semesters of law school. Consult with Clinic Director **Tom Ankersen** prior to applying. Preference given to students who have enrolled, or intend to enroll, in the Environmental and Land Use Law Certificate Program. Students with Spanish and/or Portuguese language skills are encouraged to apply. Students may learn more and download/submit an application online at www.law.ufl.edu/cgr/clinic. Applications also available in Student Affairs (164 Holland Hall) and Center for Governmental Responsibility (230 Bruton-Geer Hall).

Beyond the Law School: Clinics Benefit Students & Community

The five clinics of the UF Levin College of Law's Virgil Hawkins Civil Clinic — Full-Representation, Criminal, Pro Se, Mediation and Gator TeamChild — reach into the community to give legal assistance to those in need. They also present excellent opportunities for students to gain real-world experience while still in school. This two-part series examines how students benefit the community and themselves through these programs. (Next week in Part Two: *Criminal, Mediation and Gator TeamChild.*)

'Full-Rep' Teaches Variety Of Legal Skills

The Full Representation (Full-Rep) clinic serves dozens of clients each semester, generally in family law cases dealing with issues such as divorce, paternity, custody, visitation, child and spousal support, distribution of assets and debts.

"To learn by doing, you must actually process what you do, and fully digest the experience," said Legal Skills Professor **Jeff Grater**, who oversees clinic students as they represent clients from initial interviews through non-jury trials.

The clinic (nine semester-hours, six in summer) is composed of classroom work, which teaches basic legal skills, and case representation. Students must have earned at least 48 semester hours before beginning, and courses in family law, trial practice and other legal skills are highly recommended.

Actual work varies according to cases assigned. Students may represent clients in interviews, legal counseling, negotiations, mediations, hearings and trials, and often draft pleadings, motions and other legal documents. Students work in pairs, with each student being first chair counsel on several cases at a time. Grater said practical experience is crucial for graduates entering the profession.

"All law students should have the opportunity to participate in a clinical experience," Grater said. "Offering clinics in as many substantive areas as possible would make that opportunity even more beneficial."

Current participants and third-year law students **Gayla Carpenter** and **David Rhodes**



Clinic students help others while earning credit and gaining experience. Requirements and programs differ. To learn more, see page 6, consult the college's Student Handbook, or obtain a brochure from the clinic office (first-floor Bruton-Geer Hall).

praise the hands-on aspect of clinic work.

"After two-and-a-half years of theory, I'm getting real experience," said Carpenter.

Rhodes added, "It's a great working environment. And great opportunity to learn just how much you don't know."

Pro Se Helps Those Who Help Themselves

Legal Skills Professors **Iris Burke** and **Peggy Schrieber** direct students in the Pro Se Clinic as they help litigants who have chosen to represent themselves in family law cases.

"The Florida Supreme Court has developed an extensive body of forms and instructions for family law pro se litigants, which can be obtained at most courthouses or downloaded from the Web," said Burke. "However, litigants often need help beyond simply obtaining forms. Our clinic students do an excellent job of providing legal advice, which clerks of the court are not permitted to give."

Students learn interviewing, counseling and basic Florida family law first semester in the two-part program. The three-credit "prep" class involves role playing, where students act as clients or do interviewing and counseling exercises. Students earn six credits second semester by working with clients and attending class four hours per week.

— *By D. Cupples (2L)*

Note: Regarding the March 3 "Beyond the Law School" article on Center for the Study of Race and Race Relations Associate Director **Desta Meghoo-Peddie** — her godson's mother suffered brain damage, but did not die, in a motorcycle accident.

Need A New UF ID Card?

UF ID cards will be processed Tuesday-Wednesday (March 25-26) outside Media Services, second floor of Bruton-Geer Hall. (This may be your last chance to get a card here instead of on main campus.)

Classes Available To Reduce Stress

The following classes are open to students, faculty and staff:

Meditation

6:30-7:30 p.m. Thursdays
350 Holland Hall

Yoga

6:30-7:30 p.m. Mondays
Faculty Dining Room -
Today (March 24),
March 31 and May 5
Auditorium -
April 7, 14, 21 & 28

For information:
Resource Counselor **Ali Kane** (alikane@ufl.edu).

Get *FlaLaw* via e-mail each Friday. Send your request to be added to the "FlaLaw pdf list" to amirin@law.ufl.edu.

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Deadline: 10 a.m. Tuesday for next week's newsletter.
 E-mail news to flalaw@law.ufl.edu, or bring disk (PC format, text in WordPerfect or Word, include contact information) to 288 Holland Hall. (Submit news for the student newsletter, *The Docket*, to John Marshall Bar Association.)

• SCHOLARSHIP & ACTIVITIES •



Avoid Conflicts In Scheduling Events

Associate Dean for Faculty Development **William Page** is creating a Web-based Scholarly Events Calendar that will list major events of academic or scholarly interest and help avert scheduling conflicts. Page is now arranging speakers for next year's workshop series. Anyone scheduling events such as conferences, workshop and lectures is asked to notify him (Page@law.ufl.edu) so that in the future the law school community will not have to choose between important events held at the same time.

In The Spotlight

☐ Publications & Presentations

• Clarence J. TeSelle Professor of Law **Martin J. McMahon, Jr.** published, "Beyond a GAAR: Retrofitting the



McMahon

Code to Rein in 21st Century Tax Shelters," 98 *Tax Notes* 1721 (March 17, 2003).

• Stephen C. O'Connell Professor **Christopher Slobogin's** paper, "Public Privacy: Camera Surveillance of Public Places and the Right to Anonymity," was recently listed on the Social Science Research Network (SSRN) Top Ten download list for "Criminal Law & Procedure Recent Hits." To view the list, visit the SSRN Electronic Library at www.ssrn.com/Browse.



Slobogin

☐ Media Mentions

• *Washington Post* - Professor **Slobogin** quoted about surveillance cameras.

• LAW CALENDAR •

See academic and event calendars and/or add your event online at: www.law.ufl.edu.

March

- 25 • JMBA Elections, Concourse
- Honor Committee Elections
- 26 • Community Law Series - Family Law, 7 p.m., Alachua County Health Department Auditorium
- 27 • JLPP Board Meeting, Noon-1 p.m., 190A HOL
- Race & Race Relations Conference (to 28th)
- BLSA Alumni Reunion Weekend (to March 30)
- Toastmasters, 5 p.m., 292 HOL
- 28 • JMBA Barrister's Ball, 8 p.m.-1 a.m., Sweetwater Branch Inn
- *Florida Law Review*

- Dunwody Lecture (story at right) 10:30 a.m., Auditorium
- 29 • BLSA ARW Conference, 7 a.m.-6 p.m., Auditorium, 190B HOL, 283 HOL, Bailey Courtroom and Cafeteria
- 31 • EASLS Meeting, 4-4:50 p.m., 190A HOL

April

- 4 • Faculty Enrichment, Professor Marty McMahon, "Beyond a GAAR: Retrofitting the Internal Revenue Code to Rein In Tax Shelters" noon, FDR
- 10 • Pro Bono Awards Brunch, 11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m., Faculty Dining Room

Dunwody Lecture This Friday Looks At Terrorism & Liberty

Professor **Lawrence O. Gostin** (right) from Georgetown and Johns Hopkins universities will speak on "When Terrorism Threatens Health: How Far are Limitations on Personal and Economic Liberties Justified?" at 10:30 a.m., Friday (March 28), Holland Hall Auditorium.



Gostin's recent books include *Public Health Law: Power, Duty, Restraint* (2000) and *Public Health Law and Ethics: A Reader* (2002).

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