

UF Law Students Return From Service in Iraq War

Some Levin College of Law students not only came back to school this fall, they returned to the United States and life as civilians after service in the Iraq war.

Taylor Pancake (1L, pictured at right), Matt Brannen (2L), Juan "J.C." Tabio (2L), Edward Lohrer (2L) and Ryon Little were called to duty Spring 2003 Semester.

"We are grateful to these students for their service to our country, and relieved and pleased they have returned safely," said Dean Robert Jerry.

U.S. Marine Reservist Lance Corporal **Taylor Pancake** (1L) was two days into his second semester of law school in January when he was called to active duty. Unsure if he would make it back for his wedding — scheduled for May 25 — he and his fiance, Misty, quickly organized a ceremony Jan. 13. Taylor left for the Middle East the next day, leaving behind his new bride.

"Honestly," said Taylor. "I think being deployed was harder on my friends and family than it was on me. I was focused and busy, while they were worrying."

Taylor and Misty plan to renew their vows Aug. 31 for friends and family who could not attend the January ceremony on such short notice, and will take a long-delayed honeymoon in the near future.

Taylor's unit was headquartered in northern Kuwait, and went to Iraq in convoys for weeks at a time.

"I got to watch pieces of history unfold," said Taylor. "It was a very interesting experience."

After six months overseas, Taylor returned to the U.S. in early July. He spent two weeks waiting

Taylor Pancake — in Babylon (right), driving a hummer and in a Saddam Hussein palace (below) and at a signpost in Kuwait (bottom) — was welcomed back by enthused friends and family (right, center).



for de-activation papers to go through, then went on terminal leave until Aug. 15.

"I thought I would need a decompression period and had planned to return to school in the spring," said Taylor. "It turned out those few

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Groups MUST Register Again

All student groups must register once again for this year, since organizations are deactivated each summer by main campus. The registration form is available in Student Affairs, the union's Student Activities Center or online at www.union.ufl.edu.

Organizations must complete registration before accessing Student Government funding. In addition, groups must update their executive board information by Aug. 30. E-mail updates to Student Affairs Coordinator Noemar Castro castro@law.ufl.edu, or bring them to Student Affairs. For information, contact Castro or Angie Holland in the Student Activities Center (angieh@union.ufl.edu).

Announcements

JMBA News & Events

The John Marshall Bar Association (JMBA) invites all students to its first general board meeting today (Aug. 25), 7-8 p.m., 190 Holland Hall

(auditorium). In addition:

- **Church parking decals** will be sold to lottery winners today until 5 p.m. Thursday (Aug. 28). Unclaimed decals will be raffled off Friday (Aug. 29).

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CSRRR Research Assistant Needed

Students can apply now for the opportunity to do meaningful and exciting work as a research assistant in the Center for the Study of Race and Race Relations (CSRRR). Professor Kathryn Russell-Brown, the center's new director, is looking for hardworking, motivated students to assist with research, writing, and planning associated with the center's work. The time commitment is 5-10 hours per week. To apply, submit a hard copy of your resume and brief cover letter to Professor Russell-Brown (316 Holland Hall) or Pat Hancock (Faculty Support, 340 Holland Hall).

Get Career News Via E-Mail

Get breaking news on deadlines, programs, job listings and more via the "Career Listserve," Career Services' e-mail distribution list. To subscribe, go online to www.law.ufl.edu/career/resources/hotline, click on "Subscribe" and enter your e-mail address. You should receive a confirmation e-mail that you have successfully subscribed (if you don't, contact Career Services).

CAREER SERVICES

U.S. Justice Department Jobs

Lawrence Friedman, Director of the Executive Office for U.S. Trustees, will discuss



Friedman

U.S. Department of Justice career opportunities for new lawyers and interns and critical issues and challenges facing the department today (Aug. 25) at 5:15 p.m. in the Faculty Dining Room.

Walk-In Resume Review Today

Students are urged to visit Career Services today (Aug. 25) between noon and 4 p.m. to have their resumes reviewed before recruiting season begins. No appointment necessary, first come-first served. Students also can call the office (392-0499) to make an individual appointment.

Resume Writing Tips

The following tips were discussed at a Career Services' resume writing workshop last week:

- Inventory your skills, experiences, accomplishments, education, personal strengths, weaknesses, likes and dislikes before writing your resume.
- Use action words like prepared, researched, drafted and organized.
- Utilize the Center for Career Services, including individual counseling, handouts, career resource library and Web site.
- Focus on aspects of your background that demonstrate characteristics that will make you a successful lawyer.
- Avoid using personal information (age, marital status, etc.).
- Make your resume visually attractive and try to fit it neatly on one page.
- Make sure there are no spelling or grammatical errors.
- Use reverse chronological order for education and experience.
- Do not use the word "I."
- Be honest.

For more tips, visit the career services Web site at www.law.ufl.edu/career/resources/ and/or make an appointment with a counselor.

Phase I OCI Closes Thursday

Phase 1 of On-Campus Interviewing (OCI) closes Thursday (Aug. 28) at midnight. Make sure you have uploaded the most recent copy of your resume, and have printed out, for your records, the list of firms you bid on for Phase 1.

'Art of Networking' This Friday

Learn how to work a room, enter an ongoing conversation, make small talk with a stranger at a reception and more at the "Art of Networking" Friday (Aug. 29), noon, Bailey Courtroom.

Mock Interview Program

Practice your interviewing techniques with — and get immediate feedback from — practicing attorneys in a "Mock Interview Program" Sept. 5-



Job Search Checklist

If you are:

1L 1st semester

1L 2nd

semester/2L

3L

You should be:

- Getting acquainted with other students and acclimated to school.
- Attending educational programs of interest to you.
- Attending an eAttorney orientation session to participate in On-Campus Interviewing (OCI), or viewing our on-line job postings.
- Preparing/updating your resume.
- Checking out the fall program schedule and marking dates on your calendar for programs you are interested in.
- Filling out a summer employment questionnaire (if you worked).
- Attending eAttorney orientation for OCI or viewing job postings.
- Updating your information on eAttorney if you attended orientation last spring.
- Preparing/updating your resume.
- Checking out fall programs.
- Filling out a summer employment questionnaire (if you worked).

12. Interested students should sign up for an interview date/time in Career Services as soon as possible after Sept. 2, since interviews are scheduled first come-first served, and last year there was a waiting list.

Learn & Help Through Pro Bono

Students gain practical work experience, build resumes, and network with attorneys while addressing the legal needs of the underserved by participating in the Pro Bono Project. Projects can range from preparing youth for trials in Teen Court to filing appeals on behalf of prisoners for post-conviction relief, and expose students to diverse areas of practice such as criminal, family, and constitutional law, as well as children's issues and impact litigation.

If you are interested, sign up to attend a small group meeting via the sheet by Assistant Director Jessie Howell's door in Career Services. Meetings are held every other Tuesday beginning Aug. 26 from noon-12:30 p.m. All students beyond their first semester are eligible to participate.

September Workshops

- **Interviewing Techniques with Carlton Fields,** Sept. 3, noon, Bailey Courtroom
- **What the Heck Does Career Services Do?** Sept. 12, noon, Bailey Courtroom
- **Second Career Workshop,** Sept. 16, noon, Bailey Courtroom
- **Spring 2003 Externship Informational Meeting,** Sept. 23 & 26 at noon; Sept. 24 at 4 p.m.; Bailey Courtroom

Keep up with Career Services events by checking *FlaLaw* and/or the online events calendar (www.law.ufl.edu/calendar/).

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- **JMBA Night Out** is Thursday (Aug. 28). More information will be available in the JMBA office and on the events board.
- **JMBA's first-semester election for new students** is Thursday, Sept. 4, at noon in the Bailey Courtroom. New students interested in getting involved on campus and gaining leadership experience are invited to run for one of the six available first semester representatives seats.

For information: JMBA President Frank Garcia (garciafr013@yahoo.com.)

Florida Law Review Open Writing Competition Meeting Sept. 26

Nearly half of the members in *Florida Law Review* joined via the Open Writing Competition, and all third-semester students who have successfully completed Legal Research and Writing and Appellate Advocacy and have cumulative GPA's of 2.0 or higher are invited to participate.

The first informational meeting on *Florida Law Review* and the competition will be held Tuesday, Sept. 26, 6:30 p.m., in 190A Holland Hall. Eligible students are strongly encouraged to attend.

IP Reception Sept. 4

The Intellectual Property Law Program will host a "Beginning of the Year" reception Thursday, Sept. 4, 5-7 p.m., in the Bruton-Geer Hall cafeteria for students interested in the field. The reception is sponsored by Holland & Knight, and will include presentations by Todd Larson of the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO), Bill Hamilton of Holland & Knight, and IP Program Director Thomas Cotter. Refreshments will be served.

Organization Fair Sept. 10

You can get information, get acquainted, and get involved with the many student organizations at the Levin College of Law Wednesday, Sept. 10, 10 a.m.-2 p.m., on the College of Law concourse. For more information: Justin Flippen (Gatorlaw78@aol.com) in the Law College Council Office.

Interested in International Law?

The University of Florida's Jessup International Moot Court Team is open to second-through fifth-semester students. If you are eligi-

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Introducing: Christine A. Klein

Professor Christine A. Klein, who teaches Natural Resource Law this semester — her first at UF — is former chair of Michigan State University's Environmental and Natural Resources Law Program. Her teaching and scholarship focus on issues at the intersection of natural resources law and areas such as constitutional, property, tax and land-use law.

"I have spent considerable time working with the prior appropriation water law system of the West and the web of treaties and statutes governing use of the Great Lakes, and will enjoy studying water issues from the perspective of Florida's unique challenges and innovative legal structure," said Klein. "I'm happy to be here, since my passion is for both water law and water sports."

Klein received her B.A. (magna cum laude) from Middlebury College, Vermont, J.D. from the University of Colorado, and LL.M. from Columbia University School of Law (Harlan Fiske Stone Scholar). She has been a University of Denver visiting law professor; University of Colorado Natural Resources Law Center fellow; assistant attorney general specializing in water rights litigation in the Attorney General's Colorado Office; and judicial law clerk to the Honorable Richard Matsch, U.S. District Court, District of Colorado. Her articles have been in *Harvard Environmental Law Review*, *Cornell Law Review*, *Washington & Lee Law Review*, *Oregon Law Review*, *Virginia Environmental Law Review* and other legal periodicals.

• MEET THE FACULTY •



Stuart R. Cohn

Associate Dean for International Studies; Gerald A. Sohn Scholar; Director of International & Comparative Law Certificate Program; Professor

Education

B.A., University of Illinois (Phi Beta Kappa; Phi Kappa Phi); B.A., Oxford University (Marshall Scholar); LL.B., Yale Law School (Justice Benjamin Cardozo Award).

Expertise/Background

Corporate & Securities Law, Jurisprudence. Author of multiple publications, including *Securities Counseling for New and Developing Companies*. Member, Executive Council of the Business Law Section of The Florida Bar; ABA Federal Regulation of Securities Committee.

What You May Not Know

"In my youth, I was a 'Big Ten' Fencing Champion. I firmly believe that Edward DeVere wrote all the plays of Shakespeare. And my Sundays do not begin until my wife, Charna, and I have finished the New York Times crossword puzzle."

Go to www.law.ufl.edu/faculty/ for a complete resume and list of publications.

View on the Profession

"Despite all the lawyer jokes, my experience has been that law is the most honorable and courageous of professions.

I'm particularly proud to be part of the College of Law's international programs because of the enormous opportunity they offer to students to enrich their academic experience, broaden their outlook and prepare for the increasing globalization of the law."



Apply for Student Recruitment Team

Applications for the College of Law Student Recruitment Team (SRT) are available in the Admissions Office and will be accepted, along with a resume, until 5 p.m. Wednesday (Aug. 27). Members will be chosen based on previous recruiting experience, law school involvement, and personality. Team members will be trained to answer basic questions from prospective students, and will help law school hopefuls evaluate the Levin College of Law on a more personal level, catering to issues of particular concern to each candidate. Members also may have the opportunity to travel to other cities to assist in recruiting efforts.

For more information, call Director of Admissions & Special Programs Lewis Hutchison (above, left) at 392-2087.

Class Act Online

The College of Law's Support Staff Activities Committee is now online at www.law.ufl.edu/classact. Contact Stan Amos (amos@law.ufl.edu) for more information.

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ble, you are encouraged to register for "Jessup Moot Court," Law 6965, Section 6840, particularly if:

- You are interested in public international law, including international human rights, whether from a theoretical perspective or as an area of legal practice in organizations in the United States or abroad.
- You plan to practice law or pursue related careers in a transnational setting, or have specific cross-border interests in issues of law involving, for example, human rights, international jurisdiction, admissibility, immunity and legitimacy relating to international organizations.
- You plan to become active in areas of domestic legal practice in the United States, but also are interested in other countries, and you seek familiarity with areas of law related to the global economy.
- You are interested in the exciting world of public international law.

Team members also become members of the International Law Students Association (ILSA), which administers the Philip C. Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition and 2004 Shearman & Sterling International Rounds of the Jessup Competition. Credit for the class will be assigned pending full, timely completion of all assignments given according to the syllabus and subject to approval by Faculty Advisor Professor Winston Nagan, JSD, FRSA.

Trial Team Informational Meeting

Trial Team will hold an informational meeting for third-semester students regarding Trial Team Try-Outs Sept. 9, 5 p.m., 292 Holland Hall. For information: Vice President, Intramurals, Yohance Pettis (diesel13@ufl.edu).

FJIL Writing Competition

The Fall 2003 Open Writing Competition for the *Florida Journal of International Law (FJIL)* is open to third- through fifth-semester students. Those interested are encouraged to attend an informational meeting Tuesday (Aug. 26) at noon, or Sept. 3 at 5 p.m., both in 190 Holland Hall (auditorium). *FJIL* writing competitions are offered twice per year, and give students the opportunity to earn credit while honing legal research and writing skills.



Compete in Vienna

If you are interested in international business law and in competing in a moot competition held in Vienna, Austria, and are a second- through fifth-semester student, you are encouraged to compete for the International Commercial Arbitration Moot (ICAM) team.

According to Eduardo Palmer (JD '85) of the Miami office of the International Litigation and Arbitration Department of Steel Hector & Davis LLP, the firm will continue to sponsor the ICAM Team in 2003 with \$2,500 for travel and expenses. ICAM and other international programs also will benefit from a \$5,000 gift from John C. "Jack" Bierley (JD '63), partner with Smith Clark Delesie Bierley Mueller & Kadyk in Tampa.

Out of more than 100 competitors from

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Foreign Lawyers Attend UF Law

Professor and Comparative Law Program Director David Hudson (back, right) welcomed the new LL.M. in Comparative Law class to campus earlier this month. Foreign lawyers enrolled in the one-year program this year include (front row, from left) Roberto Rosales (Mexico), Shohei Yamamoto (Japan), Yiting "Dora" Hu (China), Minhua Yan (China) and (back row) Jan Pulda (Czech Republic), Jessica Marcos-Arteaga (Peru), Yelena Brodskorb (Kazakhstan), Marcio Santos (Brazil), Aline Varandas (Brazil) and Christoph Linhart (Germany). Not pictured are Anna Margasinska (Poland), Magdalena "Maggie" Rams (Poland) and Anna Maria Werner (Poland).

The one-year program enhances understanding of the American legal system, and builds on the college's widely respected international reputation.

• CONSTRUCTION UPDATE •

Construction is in progress to renovate and expand library and classroom space at the Levin College of Law. Updates and alerts this week include:

Parking Lot

According to Associate Dean Patrick Shannon, who is coordinating construction-related efforts and information at the law school, "The parking lot construction crew deserves many thanks. They have done an outstanding job of completing the new faculty/staff parking lot in a timely fashion."

The new "Orange" lot is available for use as of today (Aug. 25), and the old west parking lot will close this week. (The new lot will be closed one or two days at some point for final landscaping and placement of permanent lights. Signs will be posted.)

Noise Alerts

The foundation for the two new education towers will be built on Auger casts (large cement columns), which will be poured into the ground between Bruton-Geer and Holland Halls. To help separate the casts, a machine will pound large sheets of metal into the ground. Both the pounding and the machine's engine are expected to be very loud, but the effort may take only a day or two. Shannon will keep the law school community updated via e-mail.

Some of the loudest noise of the law school construction project will soon be heard from a jack-hammer demolishing the former Development Office and from a machine pounding auger casts into the ground for the foundation of the new education towers. The noise will be relatively brief in duration, and Associate Dean Patrick Shannon will keep the law school community updated via e-mail.



Demolition of the former Development Office is about to begin, and with it some of the loudest noise of the construction project, particularly for those in nearby classrooms. The sound of the jack-hammer should last only a couple days. In the new structure, the former Development Office will serve as one of two new second floor entrances into Holland Hall from the new "education towers" and Bruton-Geer Hall (the other entrance will be through 297 Holland Hall, which will be closed after this semester).

Reminders

- Entrance to Bruton-Geer Hall is from the south.
- Entrance to Holland Hall is from the north and east.
- To move from Holland to Bruton-Geer Hall, you must walk completely around the law campus.
- Two temporary handicapped parking spaces were added in the east end of Holland Hall near the tennis courts to allow closer access to a Holland Hall ramp near the east entrance to the auditorium. There also is a handicapped ramp at the north entrance.
- The west exit from the third floor of Holland Hall (near Admissions and Tax offices) is now for EMERGENCY USE ONLY. The alarm on the first floor exit will sound when this exit is used. The outside entrance on the west stairwell is locked.

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schools around the globe at last year's international competition in Vienna, UF was the only Florida school represented.

Students must attend weekly lectures focused on developing international research skills in order to compete. A preliminary competition will be held in September to select the team that goes on to compete in Vienna. Team members will be chosen based upon the quality of their brief and oral arguments.

Participants must be prepared to make a two semester commitment if chosen, and all team members must be available to attend the competition in Vienna March or April 2004. Third-

through fifth- semester participants satisfactorily completing all requirements of the competition will receive one credit in the fall. If chosen for the Vienna team, they will also receive a credit for participation Spring 2004 Semester. Second-semester students are not eligible for the one fall credit; but if chosen for the team, will receive the one spring credit. If you are a third-through fifth-semester student and interested in trying out, you can register for the one credit, which is listed as: "Ind Study-Inter. Arb. Moot," Law 6930, Section 4142.

For more information, e-mail Lisset Gonzalez (gonzalez_lisset@hotmail.com) or Faculty Advisor Professor Thomas Hurst (hurst@law.ufl.edu).



Questions on Construction?

Updated information, images and a 3D "fly through" of the Levin College of Law construction project is online at www.ufspace.ufl.edu/fpcweb/viewprj.jsp?prj=1032. Also look for regular updates in *FlaLaw* and the monthly e-mail newsletter *UF Law E-News* (subscribe at www.law.ufl.edu/lists/flalaw/).

Associate Dean for Administrative Affairs Patrick Shannon will continue to e-mail regular updates to faculty, staff and students. If you have facilities-related questions or concerns, contact him in the Dean's Office at 392-9238.

Library E-Mail

Use the e-mail address librequest@law.ufl.edu to request materials from the law library, other UF libraries, or non-UF libraries rather than individual librarian e-mail addresses to help library staff track requests more effectively. For information: Faculty Services Librarian/Adjunct Professor Christopher A. Vallandingham, Esq.

Student Affairs Can Help

We extend a warm welcome to our new and returning students. Our staff is here to work with you, and we encourage you to use us as much as you can and provide feedback to help us serve you better. We look forward to hearing from you.



Sasnett

— Gail Sasnett, Associate Dean for Students, Professionalism & Community Relations

Lexis Learning

- **LEXIS "Lunch" Refresher.** Learn of new LEXIS updates; lunch provided. Classes held in 190A Holland Hall at noon today (Aug. 25), Wednesday (Aug. 27) and Friday (Aug. 29), and at 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. Tuesday (Aug. 26). Laptop computers welcome if you wish to follow along with the presentation.
 - If you are looking for a job, enroll in the **Career Services/LEXIS Web course** for information on firms/attorneys, alumni in Florida and more. Go to www.lexisnexis.com/lawschool, click on "WebCourses" and type in your LEXIS ID.
 - Students who print LEXIS Job Search results, Cases, etc. can **print free** after attending a LEXIS training presentation or one-on-one with a LEXIS representative. Printers are outside Career Services and in the Computer Lab in Bruton-Geer Hall.
- For information: Bonita Young, Esq., LEXISNEXIS Academic Account Executive (800-368-6955, ext. 5286 or 375-8364, or bonita.young@lexisnexis.com).

New Viruses & Worms Attack MS Windows-Based Systems

The following message from the law school's Department of Educational Technology Services addresses the recent "attack" on computer systems here and elsewhere. Contact Computing Services for more information.

There have been three major attacks on MS Windows based computer systems in the past two weeks. The first attack began Aug. 11, and a "stealth variant" was discovered two days later.

The first two attacks were not viruses, but an attack known as a "worm." Worms do not require action by a user in order to activate it or to infect a system. A worm propagates itself via a network (including dial-up modem) connection and directly attacks the Windows operating system code.

The worm variant discovered Aug. 13 infects a personal computer (PC), then patches it, preventing identification and cleansing of compromised PCs. **Current virus cleaning tools will not work.** Infected PCs have to be reformatted; Windows and all applications must be reinstalled from scratch. Worms **can** be blocked by a firewall and some antivirus packages can remove a worm from an infected computer.

A third attack in the form of a new virus was discovered Aug. 20. This virus, "W32.Sobig.F@mm," fakes the "From" and "To" fields in the e-mails it sends to propagate itself. It is therefore difficult to determine the source of infected computers or their users. **The only protection against viruses is to keep your antivirus software up to date.** You should have the automatic update scheduler for your virus package set to check for and install updates automatically at least weekly.

The College of Law proactively installs the latest patches and antivirus information to provide the best possible protection to our network and workstations. We often apply two to four patches or virus updates to our network and all workstations weekly. As a result of this ambitious on-going maintenance, there were only four workstations infected with the worm on Monday. These workstations were cleaned after hours Monday evening, so when people came in to work Tuesday morning, they were probably not

even aware there had been a problem.

The virus released Tuesday only managed to infect two computers in the college before we had virus protection installed to find and block it.

If you are dialing from home to UF via a modem, UF Net Services has installed a firewall to block worms from attacking your home computer while you are dialed-in. It is unknown whether Cox Cable's high-speed Internet connection or BellSouth's DSL services are protected in the same manner. In any case, since these connections are always on, it is critical that you have a home firewall to protect your computer(s) against worms.

If you don't have a firewall to protect your home PC, and you are connecting to the Internet in any way other than dialing UF using a Gatorlink account, you should consider installing a firewall immediately — this new type of attack will only get worse. You need only one firewall: either hardware or software, not both.

Hardware firewalls only work with — and are the best option for — high-speed (DSL or Cable) Internet connections. They are readily available at retailers such as Best Buy or Circuit City, and no technical expertise is needed to install them. They should cost around \$50 and are built into most home network Switch/Routers.

Software firewalls work with any type of Internet connection, including dial-up modem access.

— Mark Bergeron, Computing Services



Computing Services Assistant Manager for Networking Jon Martin (left), Technicians Jason Amirin and Christopher Biggs, Help Desk Manager Daniel Crisman, Technician Mathew Henry, Operating Systems & Applications Specialist Stan Amos, Technician Ted Peterson and Computing Services Manager Mark Bergeron work with Educational Technology Services Director Andy Adkins and Media Services Head Jim Flavin and Audio-Visual Specialist John Hunter to meet the college's need for technical services and resources.

• SCHOLARSHIP & ACTIVITIES •

• Clarence J. TeSelle Professor **Martin J.**

McMahon, Jr. published *2003-1 Cumulative Supplements* to the following: *Federal Income Taxation of Individuals*, Third Edition (Warren, Gorham & Lamont, 2002) (with Boris I. Bittker & Lawrence A. Zelenak); *Federal Income Taxation of Partnerships and S Corporations*, Third Edition, and accompanying *Study Problems* (with P. McDaniel & D. Simmons) (Foundation Press, 1999); *Federal Income Taxation of Corporations*, Second Edition, and accompanying *Study Problems* (with P. McDaniel & D. Simmons) (Foundation Press, 1999); *Federal Income Taxation of Business Organizations*, Third Edition, and accompanying *Study Problems and Teacher's Manual* (with P. McDaniel & D. Simmons) (Foundation Press, 1999); and *Federal Income Taxation, Cases and Materials*, Fourth Edition (with P. McDaniel, H. Ault & D. Simmons) (Foundation Press, 1998). He spoke in June at the State Bar of New Mexico Tax Symposium in



McMahon S. Russell-Brown

Albuquerque, N.M., on "Recent Federal Income Tax Developments" (jointly with Prof. Ira Shepard); University of Virginia School of Law's 55th Annual Virginia Conference on Federal Taxation in Charlottesville on "Recent Developments in Federal Income Taxation," and in May at the American Bar Association, Tax Section, Real Estate Committee Meeting in Washington, D.C. on a panel on "Attorney-Client Privilege and Other Sensitive Ethical Issues in Transactions and Litigation."

- Assistant Professor/Associate Director of the Center for Children and the Law **Sherrie Lynne Russell-Brown** published "Rape as an Act of Genocide," 21 *Berkeley J. Int'l L.* 350 (2003), and "Out of the Crooked Timber of Humanity: The Conflict Between South Africa's Truth and Reconciliation Commission and International Human Rights Norms Regarding "Effective Remedies," 26 *Hastings Int'l & Comparative L. Rev.* 227 (2003).

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weeks were enough, so I signed up for fall classes. The law school faculty and staff were awesome at making my transition seamless. It's good to be back."

U.S. Marine Captain **Matt Brannen** (2L) was called to action March 24 — just weeks before law school finals — leaving behind his wife, Heather, and daughter, Delaney, who turned two while Matt was away.



Brannen and understanding why I was gone," Matt said. "My wife handled it well, and a lot of people called to check on her. I appreciate the people at school and my church for keeping us in their thoughts and prayers."

Brannen headed a 14-member expeditionary team attached to a special operations command headquartered in Qatar.

"It was surreal," said Brannen. "Being issued ammo and getting motivated to undertake our mission. I am proud to have had the honor of leading my team. They were prepared for any mission and worked together to prepare for the possible combat we were facing."

Through a twist of fate, his team did not go to Iraq.

"We were loading a C-130 (military transport plane) when we were stopped and told that the Iraqi army we were going to face had surrendered," Brannen recounted. "The thing I prayed about most was bringing the team back home, and here we are."

In May, Brannen's team arrived in Delaware on a military cargo plane.

"The pilot announced our descent, and everyone cheered," said Matt.



UF law student **Taylor Pancake** (front, left) with his unit at **Camp Viper** in Iraq.

He spent his summer taking military courses, including Expeditionary Warfare School in Quantico and Tactical Air Control Party School in California, before returning to Gainesville.

"The best feeling in the world was being welcomed back by my daughter," Matt said. "And Student Affairs was awesome. They did everything to make sure I got back into school."

Associate Dean for Students, Professionalism and Community Relations Gail Sasnett said, "My father was in the Navy during WWII, so I'm especially sensitive to our soldiers. I'm very grateful for their willingness to serve our country. They make such sacrifices for all of us — delaying their education and ability to practice law, taking time away from their families — a very selfless thing."

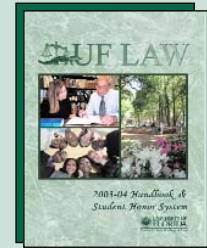
For two families, the worries aren't over. Brannen's brother is in the Army and stationed in Baghdad, with an uncertain return date.

And Corporal **Juan "J.C." Tabio** (2L), a member of Brannen's reserve unit who was activated at the same time, has a younger brother who started boot camp the same week J.C. was called to action. The Tabios are a Marine family: his older brother also served in the 80s.



Tabio

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Publications Online

The **2003-04 Levin College of Law Handbook & Student Honor System** and other law school publications — including **FlaLaw** — are online at www.law.ufl.edu/. Click on "publications."

Help the Homeless

Donations of food, clothing and toiletries for the homeless can be placed in a donation box outside the John Marshall Bar Association (JMBA) Office in Bruton-Geer Hall. Clean socks and nonperishable food (no cooking required) are among the most useful and needed items, which will be distributed by the local group "The HOME Van" to campsites and other places where the needy congregate. (The HOME Van is not a registered organization under Florida law, and so does not solicit donations or contributions. Those wishing to assist in the efforts of the HOME Van are free to do so, but such assistance is not requested.)

For more information, contact Legal Skills Professor Joe Jackson (jjackson@law.ufl.edu, 250 Bruton-Geer Hall or 392-2198).

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(Return From Service, continued)

Tabio left behind fiancé Cindy Garcia, an elementary guidance counselor in Weston, Florida, when he left for the Middle East.

"The Marine Corp does an impressive job of staying ready," J.C. said. "Many Florida reservists were activated for this."

During deployment, Tabio had to quickly adapt to two cultures: Qatar and the Marine Corp.

"It was interesting seeing how other people live," he said. "As a reservist, I deal with the Corp once a month, but overseas I was a Marine 24-7."

Tabio was overseas with Brannen, and commented, "At law school, we're friends. But in the Marines, Captain Brannen is my team leader, and we have to stay within the bounds of professionalism and Marine Corp etiquette."

Like Brannen, Tabio was impressed with the team's sense of brotherhood.

"An Army Staff Sergeant stationed near us



UF law student Taylor Pancake took this picture of a child in Diwanayah flashing a Peace sign through barb wire.

wrote a letter to our whole unit, praising our cohesiveness and esprit de corps."

"This was a once in a lifetime experience for most people," said Tabio, who returned to the law school this fall. "I'm glad that when the call came, I was there to respond."

Not all UF law students serving in the effort have returned. Florida National Guard Sergeant **Edward Lohrer** (2L) — who was deployed to Iraq — and U.S. Coast Guard Lieutenant **Ryon Little** (2L) — who was called to duty to monitor the Port of Miami — have been gone since last spring. Neither Lohrer or Little were available for comment, and sources are unsure of their date of return. According to members of the Military Law Students Association (MLSA), Lohrer is part of the 560th Movement Control Team, which is tracking the movement of military vehicles moving through Iraq and Kuwait.

Sadly, another friend of the College of Law will never come home. Gainesville resident and Florida National Guardsman Jeffrey Wershow, 22, was shot and killed July 6 while providing security for U.S. officials visiting Baghdad University in Iraq. Wershow planned to one day attend law school here, as did his father, Jon Wershow, and stepmother, Pam Schneider, of the Gainesville firm Wershow & Schneider. In honor of this and in recognition of his service to the nation, the UF College of Law gave his family a certificate granting him "honorary admission." According to military sources, he will be posthumously awarded the Bronze Star and Purple Heart.

— D. Cupples (3L)

• COLLEGE CALENDAR •

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August

- 25 • **Walk-In Resume Review**, noon-4 p.m., Center for Career Services
- **Career Services Presentation: U.S. Department of Justice**, 5:15-6:30 p.m., Faculty Dining Room
- **JMBA Board Meeting**, 7-8 p.m., 190 Holland Hall (Auditorium)
- 26 • **Florida Law Review Open Writing Competition Meeting**, 6:30 p.m., 190A Holland Hall
- **Informational Meeting on Florida Journal of International Law Open Writing Competition**, noon, 190 Holland Hall (Auditorium)
- 27 • **Atlanta Law Alumni Reception**, 5:30-7:30 p.m.
- **Moot Court Brief Seminar**, 6-7 p.m., 190C Holland Hall
- 28 • **JMBA Night Out**
- 29 • **Career Services Presentation: "Art of Networking"** noon, Bailey Courtroom

September

- 2 • **Career Services' Mock Interview Program**
- 3 • **Informational meeting on Florida Journal of International Law Open Writing Competition**, 5 p.m., 190 Holland Hall (Auditorium)
- **Career Services' Mock Interview Program**
- **Career Services Presentation, Carlton Fields' Interviewing Skills Workshop**, noon-1 p.m., Bailey Courtroom
- **Moot Court Question and Answer Session**, 6-7 p.m., 190C Holland Hall
- 4 • **JMBA Elections**, noon, Bailey Courtroom



Lohrer



Little