Law & Policy in the Americas Program Sponsored Speakers

**Pedro Malavet, Professor of Law, University of Florida Levin College of Law.**
Professor Malavet presented “Puerto Rico: The Political and Cultural Conflicts of a U.S. Territorial Possession” to students and faculty on Thursday, January 25, 2007, 12:00 – 1:30 p.m. in the Faculty Dining Room, Levin College of Law. This event was co-sponsored by the International Law Society, the Spanish American Law Student Association (SALSA) and the Hispanic and Latino/a Law Student Association (HLLSA).

**Robert G. Kerrigan, Partner, Kerrigan, Estess, Rankin, McCleod & Thompson, LLP.**
Mr. Kerrigan presented “The Alien Tort Claims Act as a Tool to Further Corporate Responsibility and Compliance with International Human Rights Obligations” to students and faculty on Friday, November 3, 2006, 12:00 – 1:30 p.m. in Stuzin 200, Warrington College of Business. This luncheon presentation was co-sponsored by the Center for International Business Education and Research (CIBER).

**Symposium, The Evolution of Constitutional Courts in Latin America: Political Implications.**
Panelists included Dr. Carlos Bernal Pulido, Professor of Constitutional Law and Legal Philosophy, Universidad Externado de Colombia; Links Between Constitutional Control and Political Control: the Case of Colombia; Juan Francisco Perea, the Cone, Wagner, Nugent, Johnson, Hazouri & Roth Professor of Law, University of Florida Levin College of Law, Of Presidents and Precedents: The Role of Judicial Review in Recent Presidential Elections in Peru, Costa Rica and the United States; Dr. Bruce Wilson, Associate Professor, Department of Political Science, University of Central Florida, Legal Opportunity Structures and Social Movements: The Political Impact of Judicial reform in Costa Rica. This event was co-sponsored by the International Law Society and the Spanish American Law Student Association (SALSA) and was held Tuesday, October 24, 2006, 3:30 - 5:00 p.m. in the Faculty Dining Room, Levin College of Law.

**Mauricio Duce, Director or Training, Justice Studies Center of the Americas (CEJA); Professor of Law, Diego Portales University; advisor to Chile's Minister of Justice.**
Mauricio Duce presented "Criminal Justice Reform in Chile: A Radical Transformation from an Inquisitorial to an Adversarial System" to students and faculty on Tuesday, April 11, 2006 in the Faculty Dining Room, Levin College of Law. This event was co-sponsored by the International Law Society.

**Lilia Ferro, Professor of International Politics and International Relations, University of Uruguay; and Legal Advisor to the Supreme Court of Uruguay.**
Lilia Ferro presented "The Legacy of Human Rights Violations post-Authoritarian Regimes in the Southern Cone: the Cases of Argentina, Chile and Uruguay" to students and faculty on Tuesday, March 7, 2006 in the Faculty Dining Room, Levin College of Law. This event was co-sponsored by the International Law Society.
Dr. Ana Sittenfeld, Director, University of Costa Rica Office of International Affairs and External Cooperation; Former Executive Director, Costa Rica Institute for Biological Diversity (INBio); Founding Director, Costa Rica - USA Foundation. Dr. Ana Sittenfeld presented "Biodiversity, Bioprospecting and Intellectual Property: The Case of Costa Rica and Merck Pharmaceuticals" to students and faculty on Wednesday, March 1, 2006 in Room 283, Holland Hall. This event was co-sponsored by the Environmental and Land Use Law Society and the International Law Society.

Carlos Patrón, Attorney, Payet, Rey & Cauvi; Lecturer, Pontificia Universidad Católica del Perú.
Carlos Patrón presented “Free Trade in the Americas: Globalization and Neo-Nationalism, through the lens of the Peru Trade Promotion Agreement” to students and faculty on Friday, February 24, 2006 in the Faculty Dining Room, Levin College of Law. This event was co-sponsored by the Center for International Business Education and Research (CIBER).

Jorge Santistevan, Former Ombudsman of Peru
Jorge Santistevan presented "Civil Society and Human Rights: the Truth and Reconciliation Commission and the Defensoría del Pueblo in Perú" to students and faculty on Monday, January 30, 2006 in the Faculty Dining Room, Levin College of Law. This event was co-sponsored by the International Law Society. *** Mr. Santistevan received the award of Best Speaker by the International Law Students Association for this presentation.