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# Counselor A NEWSLETTER FOR THE NEW YORK LAW SCHOOL COMMUNITY



**MAY 1992** 

#### FIRST ANNUAL JOSEPH SOLOMON PUBLIC SERVICE AWARD RECIPIENTS NAMED

Four New York Law School students have been awarded with the First Annual Joseph Solomon Public Service Fellowship and Internship Awards, Dean James F. Simon has announced. The Public Service Awards were established by the Joseph Solomon Public Service Endowment Fund to encourage and assist students training for public service careers.

The Graduate Fellow Grant has been awarded to Raysa Castillo-Demuth. She will use her Fellowship Award, which provides a stipend of \$5,000 per year for up to three years to supplement her salary while working full-time at the Bronx Legal Services, where she has been an intern while pursuing her law degree.

The Internship Grants have been awarded to Vinit Parmar, who will use his Internship Award while serving as a legal intern this summer at the New York State Division of Human Rights; Louis E. Taubman, who is presently a legal intern at the Environmental Defense Fund, where he will continue to work this summer; and Cheryl P. Williams, who will use her Award to pursue her summer work at the Legal Aid Society.

Joseph Solomon, class of 1927, is counsel to the Manhattan firm of Gallet, Dreyer and Berkey, and an Honorary Trustee of New York Law School. For 15 years, he has been a member of the committee on Character and Fitness of the Appellate Division, First Department of the Supreme Court. As an active benefactor, he has been instrumental in providing funds to leading arts, educational and medical institutions. At the Law School, The Joseph Solomon Lecture, The Joseph Solomon Distinguished Professorship of Law, The Rita and Joseph Solomon Professorship in Wills, Trusts and Estates are named in his honor, as is the third floor of the Mendik Library.

The recipients were recognized for their efforts in the public service field and were presented with their awards on April 30 at the Third Annual Joseph Solomon Lecture.

#### FACULTY MEMBERS TO BE HONORED AT MAY 4 RECEPTION

Faculty members whose works were published during the 1990-91 calendar years will be honored on May 4th when the Law School hosts the Faculty Publications Party. The reception will be held at 5:00 p.m. (immediately following the Faculty Meeting) in the Reading Room.

All faculty and their friends are invited to attend and may R.S.V.P. to the Office of Development and Public Affairs, 6th floor, 57 Worth Street, or at ext. 805.

#### PLEA PROGRAM TO EXAMINE PERSONAL INJURY & NEGLIGENCE

The 1992 Alumni Association's Committee on Practical Legal Education for Attorneys (P.L.E.A.) program on "Personal Injury & Negligence: Medical Malpractice, An Insider's View" has been scheduled for Tuesday, May 12 at 6:00 p.m. in Room A-900.

The distinguished panel of speakers includes:

Barry H. Block, D.P.M., Esq. '91, sole practitioner
Charles K. Faillace, Esq., Partner, Kopff, Nardelli & Dopf
Henry J. Holcombe, Claims Supervisor, Medical Malpractice Insurance Association
Anne P. Nostrand, R.N., Consultant, Investigator, ODIN Claims Inc.
Prof. Stuart Schlesinger, Partner, Julien & Schlesinger
Alan J. Schnurman, Esq. '71, Partner, Zalman & Schnurman
Randolph F. Iannacone, Esq. '90; Pharmacist and Attorney, Moderator

The program is free to current New York Law School students, faculty and staff and \$15 for recent graduates (1987-1991). For further information, or to R.S.V.P., please contact the Office of Alumni Affairs at ext. 808.

#### STUDENT VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR COMMENCEMENT

Student volunteers are needed to assist with the Law School's 100th Commencement Exercises on Wednesday, June 10th. The ceremony will be held at Avery Fisher Hall in Lincoln Center at 2:00 p.m. Students interested in serving as ushers should contact M. Jeannette Richardson in the Office of Development and Public Affairs at ext. 806.

#### OFFICE OF CAREER SERVICES UPDATE

#### SUMMER HOURS

Beginning Wednesday, May 13, 1992, the Office of Career Services will be open from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

#### CLASS DIRECTORY TO BE PUBLISHED FOR ALL GRADUATING STUDENTS

The Office of Career Services will publish a class directory for the class of 1992, which will be made available to all graduates who fill out our Graduate Employment Survey.

If you do not have a copy of the survey, please stop by the Office of Career Services today.

#### ATTENTION ALL FIRST- AND SECOND- YEAR STUDENTS

All first- and second- year students are asked to please be sure to give their summer address to the Office of Career Services. If a summer address is not given, the Office will not be able to send summer packets containing important information about the Fall Recruitment Program.

If you do not receive a summer packet from the Office of Career Services by July 31, 1992, please contact the Office immediately.

#### TWO SUMMER WORK STUDY POSITIONS AVAILABLE IN THE CAREER SERVICES OFFICE

The Office of Career Services needs two work study students during the summer. Responsibilities will include: assisting the staff with projects and updating lists and directories.

For more information, please contact Susan D'Ambra in the Career Services' Office at ext. 345.

#### STUDENT BAR ASSOCIATION ELECTION RESULTS

The Law School's Student Bar Association held their annual elections in April. The new board, for the 1992-93 academic year is as follows:

**President:** 

**Douglas Stern** 

Vice President (day):

**Dineen McDonald Garcia** 

Vice President (evening):

Linda Padilla

Treasurer:

Joan Sutton

Secretary:

Heather Brownlie

**Attorney General:** 

Jonathan Grosser

ABA/LSD Representative:

Michael Wood

#### STAFF UPDATE

Sally Harding has been promoted to the position of Assistant Director of Student Services. Prior to joining the Law School's Student Services Department in April 1990, Sally's experience included tutoring and teaching English at the University of the Virgin Islands in St. Thomas and employment as a student activities coordinator at Nassau Community College in Garden City. She has B.A.'s in American History and in Literature from Stony Brook University, where she is currently studying toward a Masters in Liberal Studies.

Finuta Hasa has accepted a position as part-time library assistant in the Mendik Library.

**Deborah Howard** is quoted in an article, "Salary Wars Waning: Law Firms Hold the Line on Starting Associate Pay, Opt for Bonuses," that appears in the May issue of the <u>ABA Journal</u>.

John McNeill has resigned from the Law School to accept a position at the American Embassy in Kuwait. You can keep in touch with John at the following address:

c/oSFC Kathleen Tinney 201-366498 American Embassy in Kuwait APO AE09880-9000

Barry Seaver is the new Reference Librarian for the Mendik Library. Barry's professional background includes public services positions at the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner of the City of New York, the New York Public Library - Local History and Genealogy Division, and the Municipal Reference and Research Center. He has an M.S. in Information Science from Columbia's School of Library Science and an M.A. in U.S. History from the University of Connecticut. He is currently a candidate for the Ph.D. degree at the University of North Carolina where he is working on a biographical dissertation of Rebecca Rankin, the Municipal Reference Librarian of the City of New York from 1920 - 1953.

Peter Storandt is the new Director of Admissions. He has an A.B. from Cornell University with graduate study in English at the University of Massachusetts at Amherst. Peter comes to the Law School with over twenty years of experience in higher education administration, including extensive college and professional school admissions work. His prior positions include Director of Admissions at Yale School of Management, Assistant Dean for Student Affairs at the Tufts University School of Veterinary Medicine, Assistant Dean for Student Services with Harvard's Graduate School of Design, and most recently, Director of Admissions and Financial Aid at Suffolk University School of Law in Boston. His previous experience also includes undergraduate admissions at Oberlin College and medical school admissions at the University of California, Davis and The Medical College of Pennsylvania.

#### **FACULTY NEWS**

Professor Michael Botein spent February and March as a Visiting Professor at the University of Melbourne Law School in Melbourne, Australia, where he was interviewed concerning prospects for pay television for the following media: JJJ News Radio (Sydney); ABC National Radio News; PRN Radio (Melbourne); The Age (regional Melbourne newspaper); The Australian; "Ramona Koval Program" on 774 Radio (Melbourne). He also appeared at a conference on "Pay TV: The Opportunities for Victoria," sponsored by CIRCIT and Victorian Department of Manufacturing and Industry Development; participated in Melbourne University Law School Retreat at Lornel; and presented Staff Seminar at Monash University Law School on "US Developments in the New Video Media." He presented a paper on "Pay and Multichannel Media in Australia: Will They Fly?" at the Fourth Annual Conference on Pay Television (Sydney) and on "Is AUSSAT-B on the Wrong Course?" to Media Interest Group at Law School, which was later published in April issue of Communications Law Bulletin. On March 23, he presented a paper to the Economics Department of Australian Department of Transportation and Communications (Canberra) on "Barriers to Entry in the US and EC Telecommunications Equipment Markets." On March 25, he presented a paper to CIRCIT on "The Coming Telecommunications Trade Wars."

Professor David Chang's article, <u>A Critique of Judicial Supremacy</u> was published in the Villanova Law Review. He was appointed to the Board of Directors of the New York City Gay and Lesbian Anti-Violence Project.

**Professor Randolph Jonakait**'s article, "Biased Evidence Rules: A Framework for Judicial Analysis and Reform," has been published in the 1992 Utah Law Review 67. He was quoted in the April 17 issue of <u>The New York Times</u> on <u>DNA Fingerprinting: Built-In Conflict</u> and in the April 27 issue of <u>The National Law Journal</u> on DNA.

Professor Arthur S. Leonard participated as speaker in a panel discussion on March 25 on Sexual Harassment in the Workplace for the New York State Attorney General's Office. On March 26, he participated as a speaker in a briefing session for New York City Council members on pending legislative issues concerning lesbian and gay rights and AIDS. He spoke at that program about the pending domestic partnership bill. On March 31, he was interviewed for half an hour on Radio Station WCTC, an all-news a.m. station in New Brunswick, New Jersey, about the recent selection of a lesbian rabbi by Congregation Beth Simchat Torah of New York, whose rabbi search committee he co-chaired. He was also interviewed on this subject by the National Edition of the Forward, which appeared on Friday, March 27.

Professor Richard Marsico and Civil Law Clinic students Stephanie McCavitt and Caterina Civera-Tomaselli addressed the Second Annual Regional Fair Housing Conference in Huntington, Long Island, on the issue of "Fair Lending, Mortgages, and Community Reinvestment: Strategies for Long Island."

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Professor Kristian Miccio received an award for outstanding public service from the New York County Lawyers' Association and an additional award from NYCLA for her work on behalf of domestic violence survivors, specifically, her work in teachings and developing pro-bono domestic violence projects at seven major law firms. She received the Legal Services Award from the Association on the Bar of the City of New York and was named by the Hon. Robert G.M. Keating. Administrative Judge of the Criminal Courts of New York City, to the Task Force on Orders of Protection for the Courts and the Advisory Board of the Community Dispute Resolution Center for the Criminal Courts of New York City. Additionally, she has been hired by Victim Services Agency to write the "Benchguide for Judges in the Handling of Domestic Violence Cases." She has also signed a contract to author the first book of its kind, N.Y. Law on Battered Women (Lawyers Coop., 1993). She appeared on the "Larry King Show" speaking on the issue of rape as a bias crime. Additionally, she was quoted in the Village Voice, Daily News, and The New York Times concerning bias incidents and crimes of violence against women. She spoke at the Hunter College Conference "Women Tell the Truth." She talk focused on legal theories concerning the prosecution of batterers and the defense of battered women; and she is the keynote speaker at the SUNY New Paltz symposium on "Crimes Against Women."

Professor Bill Mills' article, "The State Reporter Speaks, and Introduces a New CD-ROM Product," was published in the April/May issue of <u>Law Lines</u>, the newsletter of the Law Library Association of Greater New York. He has also been appointed to serve on the American Association of Law Libraries' Advisory Committee on Indexing Periodical Literature. His term will run from July 1992 to July 1995.

Professor Martin Minkowitz will chair the Annual Professional Discipline Seminar sponsored by the New York State Bar Association at the Yale Club in New York City on May 15. On May 20, he will be speaking at the New York Chamber of Commerce's seminar entitled The Workers' Compensation Crisis: Regaining Control of a Runaway System. The program will be held at the Chamber located at One Battery Park Plaza. He was quoted in the March 23 issue of the National Underwriter on worker compensation disputes and sexual harassment. He was quoted in a State of New York Court of Appeals decision dated April 2, In the Matter of Marie D. Volcjak v. Cherry Lane Motors, Inc. and on April 7, he spoke at a program sponsored by The Association of the Bar of the City of New York, entitled "Confidentiality of the Attorney Discipline Process."

**Professor Stephen A. Newman's** article, "Euthanasia: Orchestrating "The Last Syllable of...Time" was published in the University of Pittsburgh Law Review, Volume 53, Fall 1991, Number 1.

Professor Michael L. Perlin has signed a contact with Carolina Academic Press to write a book on the jurisprudence of the insanity defense (tentatively due in June 1993). On April 21, he will be the guest lecturer at the University of Pennsylvania's Center for Socio-Legal-Medical Studies, and will

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discuss "Power and Forensic Psychiatry." On May 28, he will speak at a conference sponsored by the Massachusetts Division of Forensic Mental Health on "Law and Human Welfare: A Therapeutic Jurisprudence Perspective."

Professor Joyce Saltalamachia served on two ABA site evaluations in April, going to St. Thomas Law School in Miami, Florida, and the Wilmington, Delaware and Harrisburg, Pennsylvania campuses of Widener University Law School.

Professor E. Donald Shapiro was mentioned in an Associated Press article entitled "Critics claim Dow doing "damage control" on March 20, which dealt with admissibility of evidence.

Professor Richard Sherwin's article, <u>In Bruner's Defense</u>, (The Responsive Community, vol. 2, issue 1, Winter 1991/92,p. 93.) was published. He has also be invited to write an essay for an upcoming book on Errol Morris's film, <u>The Thin Blue Line</u>. His article on "Lawyering Theory" ("What We Talk About When We Talk About Law") will appear in the upcoming Lawyering Theory Symposium issue of the New York Law School Law Review. In May, he will be participating in a series of lectures at Stanford on Law and the Humanities, and has been invited to present a lecture on legal narrative at Princeton during the coming academic year.

Professor Nadine Strossen was quoted in Los Angeles Times Magazine regarding communitarian movement on March 22. On March 23, she addressed the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association annual convention, Hilton Head, South Carolina. She gave a lecture at George Mason University, Alexandria, VA and at Virginia Commonwealth University, Richmond, VA. She debated Ed Meese on Free Speech, Central Missouri State University, Warrensburg, MO and addressed a conference on "political correctness" on campus, Skidmore College, Saratoga Springs. In April, she debated Ed Meese on the Death Penalty, University of Nebraska, Lincoln, Nebraska. She gave an address at the Central Synagogue in New York City, and at the Pro-choice rally ("March to Save Women's Live"), Washington, D.C. (carried on C-Span), and addressed the staffs of National Council for Civil Liberties and Charter 88 (organization pushing for English Bill of Rights), London, England. She addressed a conference on proposed South African Bill of Rights, sponsored by Lawyers for Human Rights, Potchefstroom University, South Africa. She gave an address "Curfews, Gang Control Ordinances, and Other Youth Crime Control Measures," Austin City Hall, Austin, TX. On April 15, she gave an hour-long interview on National Public Radio affiliate, Dallas, TX (the Karen Dennard Show). From April 13-16, she was the Distinguished Visiting Lecturer at Southern Methodist University, Dallas, TX, and lectured on various First Amendment issues. On April 19, she was interviewed on current civil liberties issues, Cable TV in Dallas, TX and gave an address to the Peoria Chapter of the ACLU in Peoria, IL.

#### MAY DOCKET

**Monday** 

**Faculty Publications Party** 

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New Reading Room, 5:00 p.m.

To R.S.V.P., please contact Pamela Frohne at ext. 805

**Tuesday** 

Reception for Dean Simon

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New Reading Room, 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

For further information, please contact the Office of Development

& Public Affairs at ext. 800

Thursday

"Algonquin Communications Roundtable"

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Luncheon sponsored by the Communications Media Center

For further information, please contact Roberta Tasley, ext. 160

**Tuesday** 

P.L.E.A. Program

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"Personal Injury & Negligence: Medical Malpractice, An Insider's View"

Room A-900, 6:00 p.m.

For further information, please contact Christina Bishop at ext. 808

Wednesday

Staff Recognition Luncheon

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Faculty Dining Room, 12:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.

For further information, please contact Ketty Montanez-Reyes at ext. 131

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Wednesday

Commencement

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Avery Fisher Hall, 2:00 p.m.