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A Message From Dean Matasar

Dear students,

Over the last few weeks, I have been sharing with you news -- of events in our city, of our response, of our hopes. Today, I can share excellent news: our students are accounted for; none were lost in the now-destroyed World Trade Center. Nonetheless, we still await word of the fate of all of our graduates who worked in the towers. We will continue calling them until we have accounted for every one of our graduates.

In rejoicing over our good fortune (and worrying about others), we join with our fellow New Yorkers in mourning the loss of thousands of lives and sadly acknowledge that among them were many relatives and friends of our students, faculty, and staff. Our hearts go out to those who have suffered personal losses and we are resolute in our commitment to move forward and achieve in their names.

The weeks to come will be challenging. We must strive to return to our lives, yet we have been changed. Our complacency has been shaken. Our security has been undermined. We have lost much. These challenges can be daunting, but they should not prevent us from moving on. Challenges are also transformative; let's take them on, progress, rebuild, and create an even greater role for our profession.

I thank you all for your perseverance and for the strength of your commitment to your Law School and to our common endeavor.

Richard A. Matasar

Dean, President, & Professor of Law

The South Asian Law Students Association and the Student Bar Association will present a forum on the aftermath of the September 11 terrorist attacks. Members of the New York Law School faculty will offer their perspectives on this national crisis. The event will take place on Thursday, October 11, 5:30 pm to 8:00 pm in the Stiefel Reading Room. Panelists include: Prof. Lenni Benson on Immigration Issue; Prof. James Simon on Constitutional Issues; Prof. Robert Blecker on Punishment; and, Prof. Sadiq Reza on Islamic Issues. This is a great opportunity for students to ask questions and debate the answers. All are welcome.

Tutors Available

Please contact Brenda Holzinger in the Office of Academic Affairs if you would like to be matched with a potential tutor. (Room 223A, 431-2870 or bholzinger@nyls.edu)

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Counselor is published weekly by the Office of Public Affairs. The next issue of *Counselor* will be published October 15, 2001. Weekly issues of *Counselor* are available on our Web site.

For the upcoming issue, students who wish to submit information to *Counselor* should write to the Office of Student Life, 5th floor, A Building, by 9 am Monday for the following Monday's edition. Faculty and staff should e-mail copy to Public Affairs via counselor@nyls.edu, by 9:00 a.m. Friday for the following week. For further information, please contact Associate Dean Alta Levat at 431-2325 or by e-mail to alevat@nyls.edu

On-Campus Interview Program Updates

Law Practice Options: Public Interest/Government

Take this opportunity to hear and learn what it's like to practice law in a variety of public interest and government settings. Hear from a panel of alumni and other practitioners who have wonderful careers within the public sector. Lunch will be served to the first 20 students who arrive. Thursday, October 11 at 1:00 p.m. in Room C400. Please RSVP using the Programs and Events Calendar through our Online Resource Center.

Rescheduled Employers:

All on-campus interviews originally scheduled between September 11 - September 21 have been rescheduled. Please check the Fall Recruitment boards for a complete list of new on-campus dates, completed schedules and interview sign-up sheets.

World Trade Center Relocations:

We will be collecting contact information on firms and organizations that have relocated. The information will be posted on the Fall Recruitment Board as it becomes available. If you have any questions regarding the location of particular employers, let us know so we can assist in locating them. Also, if you have questions about preparing for callback interviews or rescheduling interviews, please stop by the Career Services Office and visit one of our counselors.

What You Need to Know About Career Services as an Evening Student

This session, *What You Need to Know About Career Services as an Evening Student*, will provide you with vital information about various Fall 2001 Career Services events and programs as well as introduce you to the staff, resources (including job search resources) and functions of the Career Services Office as it pertains to Evening Division students. There will also be a period for questions. Wednesday, October 17 at 5:00 p.m. in Room C400. Please respond using the Programs and Events Calendar through our Online Resource Center.

An Introduction to Career Services Online Resources

Stop by and learn about how the Office can be a resource to you. This is a great opportunity to obtain information about our Online Resource Center, upcoming programs, the Alumni Mentor Project, and more...Thursday, October 18 at 5:00 p.m. in the Student Center. Refreshments will be served. Please respond using the Programs and Events Calendar through our Online Resource Center.

Wanda's Resource Tips for the Week

Exploring Job Opportunities on Lexis

Lexis.com has a variety of online career-related resources. Use the Career Library to develop your job search strategy and then use the resources of lexis.com to prepare for your interview. Below are two sample searches available in the lexis.com research system:

- To find descriptions of judicial clerkship programs in a particular city
Source: NALP's Judicial Clerkship Directory
Terms: address(new york)
- To obtain the profile of a particular public interest employer
Source: LEXIS Public Interest Employer Directory
Terms: name(southern center for human rights)

To locate one of the above Career Sources...

- Go to www.lexis.com
- Login (if you haven't received your Lexis-Nexis ID, please go to the Mendik Library to obtain your ID)
- Under the "Look for a Source" heading, click on Reference; then click on Career Development.
- Choose a source in Option 2 (i.e. NALP's Judicial Clerkship Directory).
- Lastly, click the "Terms and Connectors" button and type in your terms (i.e. address(new york))

For more information on Lexis tips or to schedule an appointment with Wanda James at the Career Services Office.

Did you know?...

The Career Services Online Resource Center has a list of Web sites that contain job listings, information on organizations and law firms, and advice on job search strategies. To access this list go to www.emplawyernet.com; click on the "Manuals and Resources" icon; then, click on the "Career Services Online Resources" link; lastly, scroll to the bottom of the page and click on the "Web Sites of Interest" link. The Web sites listed are provided for your information. Some may be more useful and reliable than others. If in doubt about any of the advice you obtain from these sites, please consult a Career Services counselor.

Did you know?...

The Career Services Resource Center has a handout called **Practice and Work Environment Resources**. It provides students with information and a list of resources on career paths in practice specialty areas including: Compliance & Regulatory Affairs; Financial Services; Human Resources; Judicial Clerkship, Media, and Legal Publishing. To pick up a copy of this handout, please stop by the Career Services Office.

Read next week's *Counselor* for tips on **Public Interest Resources**.

Spotlight on Evening Division Reception

Six distinguished alumni and alumnae will speak at the Eighth Annual Spotlight on Evening Division Reception on Thurs., Oct. 11, 4-6 pm, Wellington Center. The event offers Evening Division students the opportunity to meet recent evening graduates as they talk about their professional goals and accomplishments. This year's panel features: James J. Bradley '97, General Counsel, D.J. Hannon & Associates Inc.; Theresa De Leon '99, Chief Operating Officer, Legal Aid Society; B. Keith Fulton '98, Vice President, AOL Time Warner Foundation; Ellen B. Holtzman '82, Sole Practitioner; Charles E. Phillips '93, Managing Director, Morgan Stanley Co.; Susan Sullivan-Bisceglia '97, Staff Attorney, IBM.

Attention Upper Class Students:

The second session of the Writing Requirement Workshop is being held on the following dates:

Section D1

Wednesday, October 10th, 12:45 - 1:45 p.m. in room A300

Section E1

Wednesday, October 10th, 6:15 - 7:15 p.m. in room A500

Saturday Workshop, October 13

Writing Memoranda: Constructing the Discussion Section Workshop presented by Prof. Lynn Su, Writing Specialist. 11am to 12:30 pm, Room C200 (open to all students).

If there are any questions or concerns, please call the Writing Program at x2366.

ATTENTION SECOND-YEAR STUDENTS

The second wave of the National Survey of Study Practices Among First-Year Law Students is available on the WEB through November 9th. Once again, we have agreed to allow the research team from Penn State University to solicit participation among our second-year students. This is a 15-minute, on-line survey designed to yield information that we think could be of great interest to both law students and law schools. Please consider participating. You will be receiving an e-mail giving you more information and a direct link to the WEB site. The URL is <http://dlnet.com/lwsch>. If you wish to contact the principal investigator directly, you can do so by e-mail to dhd2@psu.edu

NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS

Shepard Broad Scholarship

We invite currently enrolled second- and third-year Evening Division students to submit written requests to be considered for selection as a recipient of the Shepard Broad Scholarship. This endowed scholarship was established in 1955 with a gift from Shepard Broad '27. Mr. Broad is an immigrant from Eastern Europe who, after graduation from New York Law School, established a highly successful law practice in Florida, is an active philanthropist, and was a recipient of an honorary degree from New York Law School at its 1993 Commencement.

This award was established to provide partial scholarship assistance to a second or third-year Evening Division student. This award is not based primarily on grade point average as an indicator of success, and its terms provide a preference that the recipient is an immigrant, or the son or daughter of an immigrant, and financial need will be a factor in making the award.

Interested students should submit a letter of application including information regarding immigrant status or other factors that may support your application. Please be sure to include your full name, current address and current division and class year of enrollment.

Blanche and Bert Vann Memorial Scholarship

We invite students who studied at Yeshiva during high school or college to apply for the Blanche and Bert Vann Memorial Scholarship. This endowed scholarship award was established in 1994 by Avrom Vann '68 in memory of his parents to provide partial scholarship assistance based on financial need and academic merit.

Interested students should submit a letter of application including information regarding Yeshiva attendance or other factors that may support your application. Please be sure to include your full name, current address and current division and class year of enrollment.

Letters of interest should be addressed to Eileen F. Doyle, Director of Financial Aid and Public Interest Financing at 57 Worth Street, New York, NY 10013 or by email to financialaid@nyls.edu. The deadline for applying for these scholarships is October 19, 2001. Your application material must be received in the Office of Financial Aid by 5:00 p.m. on October 19th.

Association. The remainder of the Froessel competition will resume as part of the Writing/Mentoring Program and should go to Final Round in mid-November.

Student ABA Competitions

The Law Student Division of the American Bar Association is accepting entries for the 2001-2002 Client Counseling Competition (entry deadline Oct. 31, 2001) and National Appellate Advocacy Competition (entry deadline Nov. 15, 2001).

Entry forms are available online at www.abanet.org/lsd/competition.html. For more information, contact Tiffany Almy at t_almy@yahoo.com or Lauren Godfrey at lgodfrey@abanet.org.

ABA Law Student Division Roundtable

The Law Student Division of the American Bar Association held a 2nd Circuit Roundtable meeting at the Law School on October 6. Speakers included: Karen Hamilton, Delta Theta Phi Law Fraternity; a representative from the New York City Bar Association; a representative from Young Lawyers Section of the New York State Bar Association. If you are interested in the information that was presented at the meeting, please contact our ABA/LSD representative, Lauren Godfrey, at lgodfrey@abanet.org

Donate Eyeglasses

The Student Bar Association in conjunction with the Office of Student Life is collecting old glasses or sunglasses for Eyes for the Needy, an organization that donates eyeglasses to those who cannot afford them. Drop off eyewear donations at the Office of Student Life in the 5th Floor, A Building.

Volunteers Needed for Student Membership on Faculty Committees

The Office of Student Life is seeking student volunteers to participate on several New York Law School Faculty Committees. They are: Academic Responsibility Committee, Art Selection Committee, Curriculum Committee, Health, Safety, and Access Committee, Human Rights Review Board, and Student Affairs Committee. If you would like to be on a committee, please email or visit Sally Harding; sharding@nyls.edu or Shani Darby; sdarby@nyls.edu in the Office of Student Life, 5th floor, A building.

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WRITING COMPETITIONS

Alliance Defense Fund 5th Annual William Pew Religious Freedom Scholarship Competition.

Topic: Same Sex Marriage: Protected by the Free Speech Clause of the First Amendment?

Prize: \$7,500.00

Deadline: April 16, 2002

International Association of Defense Counsel Writing Competition

Topic: any subject of practical concern to Lawyers engaged in the defense or management of the defense of civil litigation

Prize: \$2,000; \$1,000; \$500

Deadline: April 16, 2002

Intellectual Property Law Association (PIPLA) Writing Award

Topic: Intellectual Property Law

Award: \$1,000

Deadline: January 11, 2002

For more information, please email or visit Sally Harding; sharding@nyls.edu or Shani Darby; sdarby@nyls.edu in the Office of Student Life, 5th floor, A building.

National Fire Prevention Day was first recognized by the Fire Marshals' Association of North America on October 9, 1911 on the 40th Anniversary of the great Chicago fire of 1871. In 1920, President Woodrow Wilson (former lecturer at NYLS- 1891-1898) made Fire Prevention Day an official national observance. In 1925, President Calvin Coolidge officially proclaimed the entire week containing October 9 as Fire Prevention Week.

Every year the President has declared the week of October 9, the anniversary of the Chicago fire, Fire Prevention Week. To provide additional information to the community, the Office of Security & Safety has obtained several copies of a brochure that highlights many different aspects of fire safety. This brochure is available from the 47 Worth Street security desk and the Office of Security & Safety. Please feel free to take one and share this information with family and friends.

Symposium on Genetic Discrimination

The New York Law School Journal of Human Rights will present its annual symposium on the topic "genetic discrimination" Friday, Nov. 9, 2001 from 9 am-5 pm. Congresswoman Louise Slaughter, representing the 28th Congressional District of NY, will deliver the keynote speech.

NYLS Professor Carlin Meyer will moderate the panel on employment law. Panelists include: Joseph Holahan, Director for Policy Development and Counsel, Health Insurance Association of America; Mark Rothstein, Professor of Law, Louisville and Professor & Director, Health Law & Policy Institute, Houston, TX; and Laurie Vasichek, Trial Lawyer, Equal Employment Opportunity Commission.

A second panel, focusing on genetic discrimination in the criminal justice field, will be moderated by NYLS Professor Randolph Jonakait. Panelists include: John Hicks, Director, Office of Forensic and Victim Services; Peter Neufeld, Co-founder and Director of The Innocence Project at Benjamin N. Cardozo School of Law; John Reinstein, Legal Director, ACLU-MA.

For more information, contact Amy E. Fallon, Executive Topics Editor, NYLS Journal of Human Rights, afallon@nyls.edu.

Brenda Breedy

Brenda Breedy was faculty assistant to Professors Carlin Meyer, Lenni Benson, Karen Gross, Edward Purcell and Harry Wellington. Brenda's death on September 11 was unrelated to the terrorist attack. Our sympathies are with her family and friends.

Natalie Toussaint, '01

Natalie Toussaint, a graduate of the Class of 2001, died suddenly this summer from a heart condition. An active member and contributor to BLSA, Natalie also worked with Bob Ward in the Audio Visual department and was on the verge of starting her career in law at a big firm. If you would like to send condolences to Natalie's parents, you can do so by contacting our Human Resources Office.

Mel Simensky, Visiting Scholar

The communications Media Center is pleased to welcome Mel Simensky, visiting scholar in Intellectual Property Law, to the New York Law School Community. Mr. Simensky comes to us from private practice with 30 years of litigation and negotiation experience in the intellectual property field. His academic work includes 17 years as an adjunct professor at New York University School of Law where he taught courses on the Intellectual Property aspects of the entertainment business.

Mr. Simensky has served as an entertainment and sports columnist for the *New York Law Journal*. He has written and edited five books including a 5-volume treatise on entertainment law, and has published numerous articles.

Mr. Simensky looks forward to meeting NYLS students, and will be at the Law School throughout this semester on Tuesdays and Wednesdays. For more information, or to arrange an appointment, please contact Anna Abrigo at ext. 2160.

Meg Reuter, Director of Academic Affairs for New Projects

Meg Reuter, director of research at the Center for New York City Law, has been appointed Director of Academic Affairs for New Projects. She will take up her new duties full-time on Oct. 15, but prior to that will begin to address issues relating to the development of new degree programs.

Meg has been an energetic and accomplished participant in all facets of work at the City Law Center. She came to NYLS from Schulte, Roth & Zabel and she has a long publishing career, editing major volumes for the Environmental Law Institute and American Bar Association on environmental and toxic tort topics, for a public policy journal on New York City's physical infrastructure, and for the Center for New York City Law's bi-monthly newsletter, *City Law*. Meg currently writes a monthly column on city legal issues for gothamgazette.com, the leading Web site on city public affairs. Meg is a graduate of Douglass College and NYU Law School, *cum laude*, where she served as articles editor for the NYU Law Review.

Sue Ameijide, Graphic Designer

Sue Ameijide has joined the Office of Public Affairs as in-house graphic designer, part-time, to assist in the production of a number of publications including Counselor, invitations to events, brochures, and other marketing materials. Sue is experienced in all facets of graphic design and in taking a publication from layout to print.

NDAR

Room B, 12:00 pm - 2:00 pm

Association General Meeting

Hours

Office, 5:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Student Center, 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Students Association Alumni Networking Reception

12:00 pm - 9:00 pm

Sports Law Study Skills Workshop

Room A700, 1:00 pm - 2:00 pm

Call-In

12:00 pm - 11:00 pm. Call 431-2840

Follow Up Event Sessions

12:00 pm

Meeting

12:00 pm

Association Introductory Meeting

Association General Meeting

Sports Law General Meeting

Event Panel

Evening Division Alumni (All Students Welcomed)

12:00 pm

Students Assoc. and SBA Forum on September 11

12:00 pm

12:00 pm

Advocate Project, Room A600, 1:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Association General Meeting and

Workshop on Notetaking and Outlining, Room A700, 1:00 pm - 3:30 pm