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ADDITIONAL EXPERTS JOIN UPCOMING TRIBECA SERIES SUPREME COURT PANEL

As part of the new "Law in TriBeCa" series, New York Law School will host a panel discussion on "The Election, the Supreme Court, and You," Tues., Oct. 24, 5-7 pm, Ernst Stiefel Reading room.

The first in the series of forums open to the community, this panel of leading opinion-makers and legal scholars promises to provide a no-holds-barred discussion of the profound impact the impending November election will exert upon the membership and decision-making of the Supreme Court.

Participating panelists will include: Floyd Abrams, partner, Cahill Gordon & Reindel; William J. Brennan Jr., visiting prof. of first amendment issues, Columbia University Graduate School of Journalism; John McGinnis, professor, Benjamin N. Cardozo School of Law; Rep. Jerrold Nadler, D-NY-8th; David Schoenbrod, professor, New York Law School; Jay Sekulow, chief counsel, American Center for Law and Justice; and Nadine Strossen, professor, New York Law School, and president, American Civil Liberties Union.

TriBeCa Partnership, New York Law School and the Center for New York City Law will cosponsor the panel. The event is free and open to the public. Refreshments will be provided by Bouley Bakery.

For further information, call 431-2850.

Media ownership talk set

New York Law School's Communications Media Center will host a discussion focusing on the "Media Ownership Regulation: Lessons to and from the US and Europe," Thurs., Oct. 19, 6:30 pm, room A1002.

Mathias Tramer, head of the Department of Media Affairs, Office of the Austrian Federal Chancellor will be the featured speaker.

Refreshments will be served.

The event is free but reservations are required. For further information and to RSVP, contact Anna Abrigo at 431-2163 or via e-mail at aabrigo@nyls.edu.

Be Counted; Register and Vote!

DID YOU KNOW . . .

A presidential candidate must win 270 of the 538 electoral votes to win the presidency? Each state has a number of electoral votes equal to its number of senators and US representatives, and the District of Columbia is granted three electoral votes.

Originally, the Electoral College was designed to insulate the presidential election process from the people, and "electors," individuals who cast electoral votes for their state, were free to cast their votes as they chose regardless of the popular vote of their state.

Today, electors are bound by state law to vote for the candidate receiving the most popular votes in their state. With the exceptions of Maine and Nebraska, states give all of their electoral votes to the candidate who wins a majority of votes in their state.

Based on the current distribution of electoral votes it is possible to win the presidency by winning majorities in less than one-fourth of the individual states. The largest eleven states control 270 electoral votes. California (54), New York (33), Texas (32), Florida (25), Pennsylvania (23), Illinois (22), Ohio (21), Michigan (18), New Jersey (15), North Carolina (14), and either Georgia (13) or Virginia (13).

The Justice Action Center and the NYLS Civil Liberties Union remind you that the election is just weeks away! Get informed and vote on November 7.

Presidential debate viewing set

Come watch and discuss the presidential debate with NYLS students and NYLS Professor James Simon, Tues., Oct. 17, 8-10:30 pm, room A 400. The event is sponsored by the NYLS Civil Liberties Union.

Talk with ACLU president set

A conversation with NYLS Professor and President of the ACLU Nadine Strossen about the current challenges to civil liberties will be held on Thurs., Oct. 26, 5-6 pm, in the Board of Trustees Room (3rd floor of the library).

The event is sponsored by the NYLS Civil Liberties Union. Refreshments will be served.

Student workers wanted for fall phonathon

The office of Development and Public Affairs will conduct its fall phonathon, 5:30-9:00 pm, Nov. 6-9 and Nov. 13-16, the Wellington Conference Center.

Students will be paid \$10 per hour to call alumni/ae to request contributions for NYLS. The event also provides students with the opportunity to speak with alumni/ae and other students, eat dinner and earn extra cash while helping to raise funds for New York Law School's continued growth.

Interested students should contact Inez Gonzalez, assistant director of alumni affairs, 431-2189 or e-mail her at igonzalez@nyls.edu to indicate the day(s) they are available. Work-study eligible students also are welcome.

FROM THE OFFICE OF STUDENT LIFE

For more information on the following visit the Office of Student Life (fifth floor, A building) or call 431-2851

Writing competitions

☐ ROSCOE HOGAN ENVIRONMENTAL LAW COMPETITION

TOPIC: Whose backyard is polluted? Remedies for Environmental Racism

PRIZE: \$5,000

Deadline: 3/30/01

☐ ECKERT SEAMANS CHERIN & MELLOTT, LLC COMPETITION

TOPIC: Intellectual Property

PRIZE: \$1,000

DEADLINE: 1/8/01

Student organization events

☐ CIVIL LIBERTIES UNION will hold a debate on Tues., Oct. 17, 8-10:30 pm, room A400

☐ PUBLIC INTEREST COALITION will hold a bake sale, Wed., Oct. 18, 11 am- 6 pm, student lounge.

☐ PHI ALPHA DELTA will hold an initiation ceremony, Fri., Oct. 20, 5:30-7:30 pm, conference room A & B. ☐

Next week in Counselor:
"Faculty Activities"

FROM THE OFFICE OF CAREER SERVICES

For more information on the following visit the Office of Career Services (fifth floor, B building) or call 431-2345

Fall Recruitment Program Information

The following employers will visit NYLS during the month of October:

☐ WESTCHESTER COUNTY DA'S OFFICE, October 17.

NEW ADDITIONS:

☐ THE STATEN ISLAND'S DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE will conduct on-campus interviews with 1L and 2L students for summer positions only, Tues., Oct. 24.

Interested students must submit to the Career Services by Tues., Oct. 17 a resume and statement of interest addressed to David Frey, Staten Island District Attorney's Office, 36 Richmond Terrace, Staten Island, NY 10301.

☐ THE US ATTORNEY'S OFFICE, EDNY will conduct on-campus interviews with 1L and 2L students for a summer volunteer program, Tues., Oct. 31. (Volunteers may seek funding through the federal work-study program).

Interested student must submit to Career Services a resume and writing sample. 2L students also must submit a transcript. Deadline: Mon., Oct. 23.

Report your interview callbacks

Report all callbacks to Valerie Plummer at career@nyls.edu or at 431-2345.

Career Programs

RSVP for all Career Services Programs using the Online Resource Center. Career programs are videotaped.

Law Firms/Corporation Options Panel

The Law Firms/Corporations Options Panel will be held, Wed., Oct. 25, 1 pm, room C400.

Learn about what it is like to practice law in a variety of law firm and corporate settings. Hear from practitioners from large and small law firms and from those working in corporations.

Lunch will be served to the first 20 students to arrive.

Annual minority reception set

The New York City Law Department's Annual reception for minority Attorneys and Law Students will be held, Tues., Oct. 24, 6-8 pm, City Hall Rotunda.

Learn about the varied practice of the Law Department (also known as the Corporation Counsel's office) from a panel of attorneys and law students of color. Attorneys from various divisions will answer questions about law student and attorney employment opportunities.

RSVP by Thurs., Oct. 19: (212) 341-9847.

Wanda's Resource Tip

INTERESTED IN PURSUING A CAREER IN GOVERNMENT?

The Career Services' Resource Center has an array of government resources for students interested in pursuing a career in government: *Legal Careers in New York State Government*, *Government Employment Opportunities by the Department of Justice*, *How to Access the Federal Government on the Internet* and *The Green Book: The Official Directory of NYC*.

Students also can view the government manual on the On-line Resource Center. Information from various government agencies also is available in employer file cabinets in Career Services.

To access Career Services Online Resource Center/Emplawyernet™, go to www.emplawyernet.com; enter your career services ID and password.

To enter the "Careers in Government Manual" and "Government Agency Sites" (the sites are located under "Web sites of Interest") click on the "Manual and Resources" icon; then click on the "Career Services Online Resources" link.

Read next week's *Counselor* for information on our new resources. □

FROM THE OFFICE OF THE REGISTRAR

For more information on the following, visit the Office of The Registrar (Second floor, A Building) or call 431-2300.

The Early Change of Program period for the Spring 2001 semester will take place from Oct. 16 through Oct. 20. Forms will be processed simultaneously after the deadline.

Students who wish to place their name on the wait list for a closed course may sign the wait list binder in the Registrar's Office during regular office hours.

Note: the last day to drop a binding registration course for the Spring 2001 semester without permission is Fri., Oct. 20.

An e-mail has been sent to all continuing students explaining the procedure.

Personal Safety & Awareness talk set

A presentation on "Personal Safety & Awareness" with Detective Merri Pearsall of the New York City Police Department Special Victims Liaison will be held, Wed., Oct. 18, 12:30-1:45pm, room B108. Informational handouts will be available.

Safety presentation and video set

The video "Laptop Computer Theft: Don't Let It Happen To You" will be shown all day, Wed.-Fri., Nov. 8-10, in the Student Center Lounge Area (1st floor/47).

Handouts will be provided

School weather closing policy

New York Law School has adopted the following policies if inclement weather forces class or examination cancellations. Also, remember that the latest information on closings is available on the NYLS hotline at 431-2111.

CLOSING FOR THE ENTIRE DAY

As long as the New York City Public Schools remain open, so will NYLS. The Law School will close if the public schools close. Occasionally, the public schools will announce a one-to two-hour delayed opening. NYLS will open at the normal time; there will be no delayed openings for classes or examinations. In the event of extreme weather conditions, members of the NYLS community are urged to listen to the radio to determine the status of the New York City Public Schools. This information is generally carried on 1010 WINS radio (1010 AM) and WCBS Newsradio 88 (880 AM). You also may determine the status of NYLS by consulting the WOR710 Radio website at www.WOR710.com.

If NYC public schools are closed for a holiday during severe weather, listen to 1010 WINS to determine NYLS's status.

EVENING CLOSING

If NYLS is closed for classes or exams during the day, it will automatically be closed in the evening. If NYLS is open for day classes or examinations but weather conditions worsen, students should listen to either 1010 WINS Radio or WCBS newsradio 88 starting at 3 pm to learn if the School will be closed.

Did you know...

That a NYLS alumnus and former NYC police officer was recently appointed by President Clinton to serve as a White House fellow?
His name is John Gallagher '94.

About Counselor

Counselor is published weekly when school is in session by the Office of Development and Public Affairs. The next issue of *Counselor* will be published on October 23. Students who wish to submit information to *Counselor* should write to the Office of Student Life, 5th floor, A bldg. by 9 am Monday for the following Monday's edition. Faculty and staff should e-mail copy via counselor@nyls.edu to Donna Spalter, assistant director of communications and public relations, by noon Tuesday for the next Monday's issue. Contact Ms. Spalter at 431-2187 with questions or to request an editorial schedule.

CALENDAR

OCTOBER 16-23

TUESDAY, 10/17

❑ PRESIDENTIAL DEBATE VIEWING

Discuss the debate with Professor James Simon
8-10:30 pm, room A400

WEDNESDAY, 10/18

❑ PUBLIC INTEREST COALITION BAKE SALE

11 am- 6 pm, Broad Student Center (1st floor, C building)

❑ DEAN MATASAR'S WALK-IN HOURS FOR EVENING STUDENTS

5-8 pm, Dean's office

❑ PRESENTATION ON "PERSONAL SAFETY & AWARENESS"

Det. Merri Pearsall, NYPD Special Victims Liaison
12:30-1:45 pm, room B108

THURSDAY, 10/19

❑ MEDIA ENTERTAINMENT & SPORTS LAW ASSOCIATION GENERAL MEETING

1 pm, room A700

❑ COMMUNICATIONS MEDIA CENTER PANEL DISCUSSION

"Media Ownership Regulation: Lessons to and from the US and Europe"
Featured speaker: Mathias Traimer, chair, Department of Media Affairs for the
Office of the Austrian Federal Chancellor.
6:30 pm, room A1002, RSVP: Anna Abrigo, 431-2163 or aabrigo@nyls.edu

❑ WELCOME RECEPTION FOR LAW STUDENTS OF COLOR

6-8 pm, Association of the Bar of the City of New York, 42 West 44th St.

FRIDAY, 10/20

❑ PHI ALPHA DELTA INITIATION CEREMONY

5:30-7:30 pm, Wellington Conference Center rooms A & B

❑ THE NAPIL 2000 NATIONAL PUBLIC INTEREST CAREER FAIR

The Renaissance Washington DC Hotel

UPCOMING EVENTS

TUESDAY, 10/24

❑ DEAN MATASAR'S CALL-IN TIME FOR EVENING STUDENTS

11 am-12 pm, 431-2840

❑ NYC LAW DEPARTMENT'S ANNUAL MINORITY RECEPTION

6-8 pm, The City Hall Rotunda, RSVP by October 19, 212-341-9847.

❑ LAW IN TRIBECA" SERIES, "THE ELECTION, THE SUPREME COURT, AND YOU,"

5-7 pm, Ernst Stiefel Reading room, For further information, call 431-2850.

WEDNESDAY, 10/25

❑ CAREER SERVICES LAW PRACTICE OPTIONS PANEL

Law Firms/Corporations
1 pm, room C400

❑ "LAW IN TRIBECA" PANEL DISCUSSION

"The Election, the Supreme Court and You"
5-7 pm, Stiefel Reading Room; RSVP: Office of Student Life, 431-2851

THURSDAY, 10/26

❑ CONVERSATION WITH PROFESSOR NADINE STROSSEN

"Current Challenges to Civil Liberties"
5-6 pm, Board of Trustees Room (3rd floor, library).

