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PUBLIC INTEREST RECEPTION SET

The New York Law School Public Interest Coalition (PIC) will hold a reception Thurs., Sept. 28, 6-8 pm, Wellington Conference Center.

Lisa Schatz '97, National Association for Public Interest Law (NAPIL) 2000 Equal Justice Fellow and NYLS Summer 2000 Public Interest fellows will be honored.

This event is free but donations of any amount are welcome. Make checks payable to the New York Law School Public Interest Coalition and submit them to Student Life.

RSVP by 9/14 to Shani Friedman 431-2899 x4320 or friedman.s@nyls.edu.

The Public Interest Coalition strives to encourage the pursuit of legal careers in the public interest by providing members with resume workshops, current job and networking opportunities, building coalitions with other public interest organizations and agencies, and hosting information panels and other school events. It works to generate widespread concern among legal professionals for public interest issues such as capital punishment, AIDS, and political asylum.

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.

The 2000-2001 ABA Law Student Division Competition information available

The 2000-2001 ABA Law Student Division Competition information is now available on the Web. Details on the Competitions on Client Counseling, National Appellate Advocacy and Negotiation have been released at <http://www.abanet.org/lsd/competition.html>.

The competitions offer a forum for students to develop skills used by practitioners. The program provides a resume-building experience and offers an opportunity to network with fellow law students from around the nation.

Announcement and entry forms for each competition can also be accessed on the ABA/LSD competitions Web page. Participants must be members of the American Bar Association/Law Student Division. Law students at ABA-accredited law schools may join the ABA/LSD via the on-line application at <http://www.abanet.org/members/join/lsdappn.html> or by calling 1-800-285-2221.

Additional information will be posted to the LSD's competitions Web pages as it becomes available.

The ABA also has posted information about four student writing competitions sponsored by the ABA sections of anti-trust, family, criminal and business law. Cash prizes may be awarded. Visit <http://www.abanet.org/lsd/competition.html>.

Writing competitions

ABA SECTION OF ANTITRUST LAW WRITING COMPETITION
TOPIC: Any antitrust-related topic of general and current interest to the antitrust law community, including (but not limited to) topics relating to civil and criminal antitrust law, competition policy, consumer protection and international competition law.

PRIZE: \$1,000 and free registration, air fare and accommodations for the spring meeting, March 2001, Washington DC.

DEADLINE: January 5, 2001

TRANSNATIONAL LAW & CONTEMPORARY PROBLEMS WRITING COMPETITION

TOPIC: Any topic of contemporary transnational legal concern.

PRIZE: Publication and \$1,000

DEADLINE: February 1, 2001

Law clerk wanted

Adjunct Professor David Epstein seeks a law clerk. Applicants should be second- or third-year students. The position pays \$12.50 per hour. Interested students may bring resumes to room C-311.

The NAPIL 2000 National PIC Fair set

The NAPIL 2000 National Public Interest Career Fair, the largest public interest job fair in the country, will be held, Fri. Oct. 20, the Renaissance Washington, D.C. Hotel.

To interview for summer and permanent positions, students must first apply directly to employers. The list of participating employers and travel information are currently available in Career Services.

Approximately 200 employers are expected to attend the fair.

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.

Check-Sign up board

Check the On-Campus Interview sign-up board outside Career Services for new interview lists.

Check Fall Recruitment information board

Check the Fall Recruitment Information Board, between B503/B505 for additional fall recruitment information. Stop by the Career Services Office or contact us at career@nyls.edu or 431-2345 with questions about the program.

Cancellation noted

Whitman, Breed, Abbott & Morgan has cancelled their Mon., Sept. 25 interviews due to the firm's merge with Winston Strawn.

Second addendum available

The Second Addendum containing additional employer participants in the fall recruitment programs is available in Career Services.

Career Service event reminders

□ FOREIGN SERVICE CAREERS INFORMATION SESSION

When: Mon., Sept. 18 ;Where: Room C200

Time: 5-6 pm

□ FALL RECRUITMENT SEASON CHECK UP FOR SUCCESS

When: September 20; Where: Room B410

Time: 1 pm

□ POSTGRADUATE JUDICIAL CLERKSHIP INFORMATION SESSION

When: September 27;Where: Room C400

Time: 1 pm

A refreshing note

Please note that refreshments are served at all Career Services sponsored programs. RSVP using the Career Services Online Resource Center.

Wanda's Resource tip

The Career Services Online Resource Center has a list of Web sites that contains job listings, information on organizations and law firms and gives advice on job search strategies. To access this list go to www.emplawyernet.com; click on the "Manuals and Resources" icon; click on the "Career Services Online Resources" link; scroll to the bottom of the page and click on the "Web Sites of Interest" link.

Note: The Web sites listed are provided for your information and some may be more useful and reliable than others. If in doubt about any of the advice obtained from these sites, consult with a Career Services counselor. Web sites are in constant flux and new ones appear everyday. Please advise Career Services of other useful sites.

Read next week's *Counselor* for tips on completing the Emplawyernet student personal profile. □

International Law Career Panel

How difficult is it to break into the area of International Law? Are there many opportunities in the public sector? These and other questions will be addressed by experts at the International Law Career Panel, Wed., Oct. 4, 12:45 pm-1:50 pm, room C-400. Lunch will be served. Seating will be first-come, first-served.

The panel will include experts from various International law fields. Meryl P. Sherwood '81 will discuss international corporate and banking law. Lynette Cunningham '87 will speak about the United Nations. Dennis S. Prahl '89 of Ladas & Parry will discuss his work in intellectual property law. Chan Woo Sung '94 of Burke & Parsons will speak about admiralty and maritime law.

NYLS Prof. Sydney M. Cone, III, who spent over 40 years in the law firm of Cleary, Gottlieb, Steen & Hamilton, will moderate the panel.

For more information, call Michael Rhee at the Center for International Law at 432-2893.

FROM THE ACADEMIC SKILLS PROGRAM

For more information on the following, call Vicky Ocasio, 431-2367.

Bar FAQ's: Straight Talk about the Bar exam

Professor Joseph Marino will present important information about the bar examination for all students graduating in February and June at four sessions: Mon., Sept. 25, 1-2 pm, room A900; Tues., Sept. 26, 5:15-6 pm, room A900; Mon., Oct. 2, 7:40-8:45 pm., room A900; and Thurs., Oct. 5 1-2 pm, room A700. Come to one of these sessions and learn about the application process, about how bar examinations are scored, and get advice about how to choose a bar review course.

FACULTY ACTIVITIES

PROFESSOR ROBERT BLECKER appeared on CBS "Weekend News," "Court TV's "Crier Today" and "Ricki Kleiman" shows to discuss the death penalty after he was a witness at the execution of Benny Demps in Florida. He subsequently wrote an essay on the death penalty focusing on Danny Rollings, a co-inmate of Demps. In March he was featured in two profiles focusing on his death penalty position: *The New York Times* on March 20 and in the *Philadelphia Daily News* on March 29.

Prof. Blecker has a book contract with Basic Books for what will be the first book advocating the death penalty in over 30 years and only the third in the last 100 years.

PROFESSOR MICHAEL BOTEIN delivered a paper on "Regulatory Trends on the Mass Media" to senior Japanese government executives and business people in August. The lecture was sponsored by Nippon Television, Japan's largest broadcast network.

PROFESSOR KAREN GROSS was interviewed for Minnesota Public Radio on the future of bankruptcy reform in the US. She also was interviewed for "Bankruptcy Court Decisions" newsletter, on the convergence of bankruptcy and privacy issues, which has become a hot topic lately.

While on sabbatical in Vermont last spring, Prof. Gross taught a three-part workshop entitled "Making Sense of Cents." The workshop, offered to assist parents on public assistance, was a special project of the Getting Ready To Work Initiative, a collaboration of the Vermont Adult Learning Reach Up Department of Employment & Training, and Department of Social Welfare.

PROFESSOR SETH HARRIS was quoted in the *Houston Chronicle*, August 11 on the ramifications of the United Auto Workers' formal endorsement of Democratic presidential candidate Al Gore.

PROFESSOR WILLIAM LAPIANA was reporter for the Uniform Disclaimer of Property Interests Acts (1999) a project of

the National Commissioners on Uniform State Laws. The project has been enacted into law in Hawaii, the bill having been signed by the Governor on April 20. This is the first enactment of the UDPIA into law.

PROFESSOR ARTHUR LEONARD published an essay entitled "From Bowers v. Hardwick to Romer v. Evans: Lesbian and Gay Rights in the U.S. Supreme Court" as a chapter in an anthology titled *Creating Change: Sexuality, Public Policy, and Civil Rights*. (John D'Emilio, William B. Turner and Urvashi Vaid, Eds. St. Martin's Press, 2000). The anthology was organized under the auspices of the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force Policy Institute.

PROFESSOR DENISE MORGAN's third edition of *Breaking into the Academy: The 2000-2002 Michigan Journal of Race and Law Guide for Aspiring Law Professors* was recently released. Co-authored with Jack Chin, a visiting professor at NYU, the guide is designed to help law students and practicing lawyers who are interested in moving into law teaching. It includes advice on negotiating the application process, addresses, phone numbers & Web sites of helpful organizations and citations to articles about the demographics of the law teaching profession. The guide also contains up-to-date listings of law teaching fellowship programs, graduate law degree programs and legal methods teaching programs and advice on how to write and publish a law review article.

PROFESSOR RUDOLPH PERITZ just finished writing an afterward to the revised paperback edition of *Competition Policy in America: History, Rhetoric, Law* (Oxford University Press 1996). The revised paperback edition will appear in late fall. Prof. Peritz is spending this fall at the University of Essex in the UK as a visiting professor teaching a graduate course on US Competition Policy. He also will give a public lecture to the University regarding the Microsoft antitrust litigation.

PROFESSOR MICHAEL PERLIN traveled to Budapest, Hungary, under the auspices of Mental Disability Rights International, and trained patient advocates, hospital ombudspersons, former patients, and patients' rights lawyers in mental disability law. He also spoke to various Ministry of Justice officials about pending mental health reform litigation and met with Hungarian Civil Liberties Union staff members about the potential uses of law reform/test case litigation in the Hungarian system.

Prof. Perlin presented two papers—"The Law of Healing"

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 September 25. Students who wish to submit information to *Counselor* should write to the Office of Student Life, 5th floor, A bldg. by 9 AM on 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.

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and "Outpatient Commitment: Historical Perspectives, Political Slogans, and Civil libertarian Dilemmas"—at the International Congress on Law and Mental Health in Siena, Italy. He was a member of the International Scientific Committee, which organized the conference.

Prof. Perlin published "A Law of Healing," 68 U. Cin. L. Rev. 407 (2000). This article was an expanded version of a lecture he gave last year at the University of Cincinnati College of Law. He also finished the manuscript of the third volume of what will be a four-volume second edition of his treatise, *Mental Disability Law: Civil and Criminal*.

Prof. Perlin had three new law review articles accepted for publication: "Their Promises of Paradise: Will Olmstead v. L.C. Resuscitate the "Least Restrictive Alternative" Principle in Mental Disability Law? which will be published in a Health law symposium in the *Houston Law Review*; "Johnny's in the Basement/Mixing Up His Medicine": Therapeutic Jurisprudence and Clinical Teaching (co-authored w/ Professor Keri Gould), which will be published in a mental disability law symposium in the *Seattle Law Review*; and "Stepping Outside (the Box): Viewing Your Clients in a Whole New Light," which will be published in a creative problem solving symposium in the *California Western Law Review*. Prof. Perlin also prepared "The Right to Refuse Treatment in the Forensic Process" for the second edition of the *Encyclopedia of Forensic Psychiatry*.

Prof. Perlin was visited by an Australian delegation from the New South Wales Legislative Assembly: Members of Parliament Daryl Maguire and Milton Orkopoulos, and committee staff counsel Katherine Watson. The group spoke for four hours about adult guardianship laws outpatient commitment legislation, advocacy services for persons with mental disabilities, and the role of the judiciary in institutional law reform.

PROFESSOR SADIQ REZA reviewed "Absolutely 100% Guilty: The Professional Edition," Vincent Bugliosi's video series on the O.J. Simpson trial. His review appeared in the *New York Law Journal* on Sept. 12.

PROFESSOR RICHARD SHERWIN's book, *When Law Goes Pop: The Vanishing Line between Law and Popular Culture* (The University of Chicago Press, 2000), has received reviews from *Publishers Weekly*, *Library Journal*, *Brill's Content*, *The Chronicle of Higher Education*, *The Times Literary Supplement*, *Amazon.com*, *Journal of Criminal Justice and Popular Culture*, WNYC's "On the Line," and *writ.findlaw.com*.

His letter in the Sept. 7 *The New York Times* rebuts Court

TV's CEO Henry Schleiff's defense in an Sept. 6 op-ed piece of the "Real Confessions" show.

ADJUNCT PROFESSOR PETER J. STRAUSS wrote two recent articles for the *New York Law Journal*. "Using Powers of Attorney as Planning Tools" (co-written by Russell N. Alder) appeared in the July 17 Elder Law section. Prof. Strauss' op-ed piece, "The Health Care Proxy: Does the Client Have Capacity to Sign It?," ran on July 18.

PROFESSOR NADINE STROSSEN was interviewed about various constitutional law and civil liberties issues on many TV shows, including: ABC's "Politically Incorrect," PBS's "News Hour with Jim Lehrer," "The American Experience," "One on One with John McLaughlin," "Debates, Debates," "This is America," CNN's "Crossfire," "Talkback Live," MSNBC's "Brian Williams Show," "Fox News," "Hannity & Colmes," "Lifetime Live" a Showtime docu-drama; Oxygen Media's "Ether" hosted by Candace Bergen; and a documentary on Great Britain's Channel 4.

Professor Strossen delivered keynote addresses at many events and conferences, including: the Massachusetts School of Law Commencement where she was awarded an honorary doctorate of laws degree; the American Bar Association Annual Meeting, NYC; the Institute of Ideas, London; the Annual Convention of the American Association of University Professors and The Newspaper Guild, Washington, DC; and the Anglo-American Human Rights Conference, London.

She also delivered lectures at many universities across the US and abroad, including: Oxford, Harvard, Columbia, Northwestern, George Mason, the University of Massachusetts, the University of London, and Randolph-Macon.

On September 3, Prof. Strossen debated former Education Secretary William Bennett on Fox TV's Sunday Morning program, hosted by Tony Snow, about recent controversies concerning the intersection between religion and politics.

PROFESSOR RUTI TEITEL was an "Anglo-American Dialogue" panelist at New York School of Law in September.

Did you know...

Did you know that a New York Law School alumnus is the VP of Business Development for Metromedia Fiber Network International?
His name is Richard Nohe '96.

CALENDAR

SEPTEMBER 18-25

9/14-10/14

ART EXHIBITION

Featured artist Karen Lebergott, Student Center Opening reception 9/15, 6 pm

9/19-20

STUDENT BAR ASSOCIATION SENATE ELECTIONS

Nominating petitions available Monday through Friday at the Office of Student Life.

MONDAY, 9/18

FOREIGN SERVICE CAREERS INFORMATION SESSION

5 pm, room C200

WEDNESDAY, 9/20

CAREER SERVICES FALL RECRUITMENT SEASON CHECK-UP FOR SUCCESS

1 pm, room B410

THURSDAY, 9/21

MEDIA ENTERTAINMENT & SPORTS LAW FIRST GENERAL MEETING

1-2 pm, room C400

LEGAL ASSOCIATION FOR WOMEN FIRST GENERAL MEETING

1-2 pm, room B410

ITALIAN AMERICAN LAW STUDENTS ASSOCIATION GENERAL MEETING

1-2 pm, room B500

FRIDAY, 9/22

CITYLAW BREAKFAST

Featured Speaker: Mario Cuomo, former governor of NY

8:15-9:30 am, Stiefel Reading Room; RSVP 431-2115 or at nycitylaw@nyls.edu

MONDAY, 9/25

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Presented by Prof. Joseph Marino, 1-2 pm, room A900

TUESDAY, 9/26

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Presented by Prof. Joseph Marino, 5:15-6 pm, room A900

WEDNESDAY, 9/27

CAREER SERVICES POST-GRADUATE JUDICIAL CLERKSHIP INFORMATION SESSION

1 pm, room C400

THURSDAY, 9/28

PIC COCKTAIL RECEPTION

6-8 pm, Wellington Conference Center,

RSVP: Shani Friedman, 431-2899 ext.4320 or sfriedman.s@nyls.edu

MONDAY, 10/2

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Presented by Prof. Joseph Marino, 7:40-8:45 pm., room A900

THURSDAY, 10/5

CAREER SERVICES INFORMATION RECEPTION

4:00 pm, the Wellington Center (5th Floor, C Bldg.)

BAR FAQ'S: STRAIGHT TALK ABOUT THE BAR EXAM

Presented Prof. Joseph Marino 1-2 pm., room A700

WEDNESDAY, 10/11

CAREER SERVICES LAW PRACTICE OPTIONS PANEL

Public Interest & Government

1 pm, room C400

FRIDAY, 10/20

THE NAPIL 2000 NATIONAL PUBLIC INTEREST CAREER FAIR

The Renaissance Hotel, Washington, DC

WEDNESDAY, 10/25

CAREER SERVICES LAW PRACTICE OPTIONS PANEL

Law Firms/Corporations

1 pm, room C400

