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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

(September 2006)

Note: The calendar of events is available on the web.

Go to www.hofstra.edu/law/events.

SEPTEMBER

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 11

12:10 p.m., **Offices of Student Affairs and Alumni Relations**, Law School Commemoration of September 11th, Room 308

12 p.m., **Hofstra Law Women (HLW)**, Meeting, Room 206 (See page 5 for details.)

5 p.m., **Jewish Law Students Association (JLSA)**, Meeting, Room 242

5 p.m., **Office of Student Affairs (OSA)**, International Students Reception, Leeds Morelli & Brown Atrium

5 p.m., **Older and Wiser Law Students (OWLS)**, Meeting, Room 205

5 p.m., **Student Bar Association (SBA)**, Meeting, Room 243

5:15 p.m., **Part-Time Students Organization**, Meeting, Room 206

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12

9 a.m.-5 p.m., **Hofstra Law Women (HLW)**, Bake Sale, Student Lounge

11 a.m.-2 p.m., **APALSA**, Food Fair, Leeds Morelli & Brown Atrium

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13

10 a.m.-6 p.m., **Student Bar Association (SBA)**, 1L Elections, Student Lounge

11 a.m.-1 p.m., **Open Office Hours for Dean Twerski**, Dean's Office (See page 4 for details.)

11 a.m., **Unemployment Action Center (UAC)**, Meeting, Room 242

11:15 a.m.-12:30 p.m., **Office of Student Affairs (OSA)**, Club Fair, Leeds Morelli & Brown Atrium

12:00 p.m.-1:00 P.M. **OSA**, Presentation on Legal Education in Jordan, Room 308 (see page 4 for details)

3-4 p.m., **Office of Career Services (OCS)**, Miami-Dade State Attorney's Office Information Session, Room 206 (See page 3 for details.)

6:00 p.m., **Mandatory Ethics Training Program for 1Ls (evening students)**, Room 308

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

10 a.m.-6 p.m., **Student Bar Association (SBA)**, 1L Elections, Student Lounge

4-7 p.m., **Hofstra Law Women (HLW)**, Happy Hour, TBA

7-10:30 p.m., **Student Bar Association (SBA)**, Battle of the Sections: Poker and Trivial Pursuit Tournament, Leeds Morelli & Brown Atrium

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

10 a.m.-4 p.m., **Student Bar Association (SBA)**, Fall Bash Ticket Sales, Student Lounge (through September 28)

12 p.m., **Constitution Day Program**, Room 308 (See page 4 for details.)

12 p.m., **Democratic Law Society**, Meeting, Room 242

12 p.m., **JLSA**, Meeting, Room 230

12 p.m., **Office of Alumni Relations**, Meeting with Student Leaders on Alumni Relations, Room 205

12 p.m., **Office of Career Services (OCS)**, Beyond OCI, Room 206 (See page 3 for details.)

5:10 p.m., **Pizza with the Dean**, Room 308 (See page 4 for details.)

5 p.m., **Student Bar Association (SBA)**, Meeting, Room 243

6 p.m. **Mandatory Ethics Training Program for 1Ls (day students)**, Monroe Hall

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 19

9 a.m.-5 p.m., **Hofstra Law Women (HLW)**, Baseball Playoff Fundraiser, Student Lounge (See page 5 for details.)

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20

11 a.m.-12 p.m., **Conscience**, Planning Issue I & Assigning Articles, Room 206

11 a.m.-12:30 p.m., **Hofstra Law Women (HLW)**, Big/Little Sister Lunch and Faculty Guest Speaker, Room 205

11 a.m.-12 p.m., **Law Students for Choice (LSfC)**, Meeting, Room 243

11:30 a.m., **Jewish Law Students Association (JLSA)**, High Holiday Series Part I: Rosh Hashana, Room 242

12 p.m., **Criminal Law Society**, Meeting, Room 238

12 p.m., **Italian Law Students Association (ILSA)**, Meeting, Room 230

12 p.m., **Latin American Law Students Association (LALSA)**, Brown Bag Lunch, Room 206

12 p.m., **Real Estate Association**, Meeting, Room 243

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 21

11 a.m.-2 p.m., **Latin American Law Students Association (LALSA)**, Food Fair, Leeds Morelli & Brown Atrium

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 22

4-7 p.m., **Federalist Society**, Happy Hour, Savannah Lounge (See page 5 for details.)

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 24

9 a.m.-4 p.m., **Law Review**, Journal Sporting Event, Location TBA

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 25

12 p.m., **Pieper Bar Review**, Room 206

5 p.m., **Real Estate Association**, Alumni Career Panel, Room 308

5 p.m., **Student Bar Association (SBA)**, Pizza with the Reps, Room 205 (See page 5 for details.)

All day, **Office of Alumni Relations**, Celebrity Golf Outing, Garden City Country Club (See page 3 for details)

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27

8 a.m.-4 p.m., **Office of Student Affairs (OSA) & Phi Alpha Delta (PAD)**, Blood Drive, Leeds Morelli & Brown Atrium

11 a.m.-1 p.m., **Muslim Law Students Association (MLSA)**, Supreme Court Hamdan Ruling Panel, Room 308

11:30 a.m., **Jewish Law Students Association (JLSA)**, High Holiday Series Part II: Yom Kippur, Room 205

12 p.m., **Office of Student Affairs (OSA)**, Curacao Study Abroad Program Information Meeting, Room 243 (See page 4 for details.)

5 p.m., **International Law Society**, Speaker: Professor Comini, Room 238

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 28

3:10 p.m., **A Memorial Service in Celebration of the Life and Work of Professor William R. Ginsberg**, Room 308 (See page 5 for details.)

8:30 p.m., **Student Bar Association (SBA)**, Fall Bash, Sandcastle Caterers

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 30

12-3 p.m. **Asian-Pacific American Law Students Association**, Alumni Luncheon, Off-Campus TBA

DEANE LAW LIBRARY

The 21st Century Library returns with a series of new workshops for the Fall 2006 semester.

1. **Crossing Borders: Basics of International Legal Research**

Tuesday, September 19, 11:10 a.m.-12 p.m.

Thursday, September 21, 5:10-6 p.m.

So many issues and activities are global in scope with international legal components. If you are enrolled in The Use of Force & International Law, International Commercial Arbitration, International Law, Immigration, or Political Asylum, this workshop is for you. Diverse topics, but they all Cross Borders and some basic research tips on treaties and research strategy apply to all.

2. **Health Law Research Online: An Introduction**

Tuesday, October 3, 11:10 a.m.-12 p.m.

Thursday, October 5, 5:10-6 p.m.

This workshop will introduce the fundamentals of researching health law online. Participants will learn how to find the major federal statutes and regulations pertinent to health law, how to research federal health agencies, and how to find such relevant secondary sources as medical journal articles, medical dictionaries, and newsletters.

OFFICE OF ACADEMIC RECORDS

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

Hofstra University regulations require that an accurate mailing address and telephone number be recorded on each student record. All official University information, including semester bills, are sent to your mailing address only. If your mailing address and/or telephone number is incorrect, please go to the Office of Academic Records, Room 114, to file a change of address/telephone number form. Mailing address/telephone changes cannot be made online. If your *local* address and/or telephone number is incorrect, you can make the appropriate changes online.

OFFICE OF ALUMNI RELATIONS

CELEBRITY GOLF OUTING

The Office of Alumni Relations invites current students to participate in the 4th Annual Celebrity Golf Outing on September 25, 2006 at the Garden City Country Club. An outstanding line-up of sports celebrities will be joining us for the day and signing autographs at the

dinner. This event is a great way to network with Hofstra alumni and other legal professionals. Each year the Office of Alumni Relations makes available a limited number of golfing spots to students free of charge. If you are interested in playing in the Golf Outing, please email your name, class year, phone number, and email address to Jeff Dodge at lawjad@hofstra.edu no later than 4pm on Wednesday September 13, 2006. At that time, we will randomly select the students. Students who are not selected in the drawing may participate at the cost rate of \$225 for a full day of golfing, plus lunch, a cocktail party, and a seafood buffet dinner with a sports memorabilia auction. Please contact Jeff Dodge if you wish to sign up at the special student rate.

OFFICE OF CAREER SERVICES

BEYOND OCI

Monday, September 18, 12 p.m., Room 206

This program will address law students' misconceptions about the legal job market including that most entry-level legal positions are obtained through on-campus interviewing, most lawyers work for big law firms (in reality only about 2% of lawyers work for big firms), and only positions with mega-firms are prestigious. The OCS staff will discuss various types of legal employment opportunities including small and medium sized law firms, the public interest, the government, post-graduate judicial clerkships and attorney positions in court systems, post-graduate fellowships, politics, etc. We will also explain how the job search strategies, interview process, and hiring timetables differ for different types of legal employers.

PRO BONO PUBLICO AWARD

Nominations are now being accepted for PSLawNet's 12th Annual Pro Bono Publico Award. The deadline is September 15, 2006 at 5 pm (Eastern time). More information and the nomination form (in PDF) are available at

https://www.pslawnet.org/media/35_pbpform.pdf

Hofstra Law School graduate Dariely Rodriguez (2006) received an Honorable Mention for the 2005 PSLawNet Pro Bono Publico Award.

MIAMI-DADE STATE ATTORNEY'S OFFICE INFORMATION SESSION

Wednesday, September 13, 2006, 3-4pm, Room 205
Assistant State Attorneys will provide information about employment opportunities with the Miami-Dade State Attorney's Office.

ASSOCIATION OF THE BAR OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK

The NYC Bar Association has several upcoming programs that are of interest to law students, some of which are listed below. For information about other programs not listed here, visit www.abcnyc.org, click on calendar, and then click on the date of the program you wish to attend.

Preparing Tomorrow's Leaders: A Forum for the Hiring, Training and Advancement of women attorneys
Thursday, September 14, 2006
6-8 p.m. (A cocktail reception will follow.)

This forum will offer in-depth discussions of how the Women in Profession's February 2006 report on the "Best Practices for Hiring, Training, Retention, and Advancement of Women Attorneys" can be used to educate and train women law students to maximize their success and impact as lawyers. At the forum, we will release "The Cheat Sheet," a must have tool for every woman law student deciding where to work after graduation, and a reference guide for law schools, law firms and other legal employers seeking to assure women's retention and advancement. This program will consist of two panels. The first panel, comprised of a law school senior administrator, law school career services professional, law student, and a law firm professional development representative, will discuss the challenges women face as they navigate their way into the profession and strategies for a successful transition. The second panel, comprised of practitioners and law firm management, will discuss strategies for success in the practice of law and ways for legal employers to work with law schools and students to ensure the success of women in the profession. There is no fee for this program. Please register by September 10, 2006 to Carrie H. Cohen, (212) 416-8242.

OFFICE OF STUDENT AFFAIRS

RECEPTION FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

Are you an international student at the Law School? Did you attend University in a foreign country? If so, please come to an informal cocktail reception on Monday, September 11 at 5 p.m. in the Leeds, Morelli & Brown Atrium. This is a nice opportunity for you to get to know law students from around the world who attend Hofstra, as well as members of the faculty and administration. Please RSVP by Monday, September 11 at noon to Danielle at lawstudentaffairs@hofstra.edu to let us know if you will be attending.

VISIT BY LEGAL EDUCATORS FROM JORDAN

Twelve legal educators from Jordan will be visiting Hofstra Law School on September 12, 13 and 14, to learn about legal education in the United States. They

will be observing classes, visiting the clinics, meeting with students, faculty and administrators, and presenting a program on legal education in Jordan. Students and faculty are invited to join us for pizza and soda on Wednesday, September 13 in room 308 from 12:00 - 1:00 p.m. to hear from our Jordanian colleagues and to ask questions. For more information, please contact Professor Marcia Levy at lawmnl@hofstra.edu

MANDATORY ETHICS PROGRAM FOR 1Ls

As part of your continuing orientation, all 1Ls are required to attend an interactive program, in which each student will act as "lead attorney" in addressing an ethical dilemma. We anticipate that this newly-designed event will be one of the most memorable and formative in your law school career. The program for 1L evening students will take place on Monday, September 13 at 6 p.m. in Room 308. The program for 1L day students will take place on Monday, September 18 at 6 p.m. in Monroe Hall. If you have any questions, please contact Maureen Kessler at 463-5270 or lawmck@hofstra.edu

PIZZA WITH THE DEAN/OPEN OFFICE HOURS

Join us for a "Pizza with the Dean" on Monday, September 18, at 5:10 p.m. in room 308.

These gatherings are opportunities to hear from Dean Twerski, and to share your thoughts and views. You are encouraged to attend, ask questions, or just listen. So that we can order the correct amount of pizza, please RSVP to lawstudentaffairs@hofstra.edu no later than Monday, September 11, 2006. Please indicate if you would like kosher pizza. We hope to see you there!

In addition, Dean Twerski will hold open office hours on Wednesday, September 13, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Students are free to stop in without an appointment. Dean Twerski's office is located in Room 244.

CONSTITUTION DAY PROGRAM

Come mark "Constitution Day" by participating in a conversation about important constitutional issues of the day with Professors Eric Freedman and Alafair Burke. Professor Freedman will be discussing Guantanamo Bay, and how the questions surrounding it are ones that have persisted throughout our history. Professor Burke will discuss the government's ability to gather information about individuals through means that, according to the Supreme Court's jurisprudence, do not reach the Fourth Amendment threshold for what constitutes a "search." The program will take place on Monday, September 18 at 12:00 p.m. in Room 308.

CURACAO WINTER INTERSESSION STUDY ABROAD PROGRAM

Are you interested in spending your winter break in the Caribbean, while taking 3 classes and earning 4 credits? If so, please join us for a Curacao Winter Intersession Study Abroad information meeting, to be held on Monday, September 27, at 12 p.m. in room 243. Come

and learn more about the program from faculty and students who have participated in prior years. The Curacao Program is open to students who have completed at least one year of law school (full or part-time).

LAWYER ASSISTANCE PROGRAM: PEER ASSISTANCE VOLUNTEER TRAINING

The Lawyer Assistance Program will hold Peer Assistance Volunteer Training on Friday, September 15 from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. at the New York State Bar Association, 1 Elk Street, Albany, New York. Peer support is vitally important to those who are coming to terms with a serious mental health issue and to those who are maintaining recovery. This program is designed for attorneys, judges and law students who are interested in providing peer support to their colleagues in law who are struggling with addiction, depression, mental illness, or debilitating stress. If you are interested in serving as a LAP representative at the Law School, please contact Maureen Kessler, Director of Part-Time Programs, at 463-5270 or lawmck@hofstra.edu.

STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS

CLUB FAIR

Did you know that the Law School is home to nearly 40 student organizations? Come find out more about these groups at the Club Fair on Wednesday, September 13, at 11:15 a.m.-12:30 p.m. in the Leeds, Morelli & Brown Atrium.

IMPORTANT MESSAGE TO ALL STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS

Please provide the Office of Student Affairs with the names of your executive boards, along with any new email addresses, telephone numbers and Web site information. You can email these items to Danielle McQueen, Senior Assistant to the Office of Student Affairs, at lawstudentaffairs@hofstra.edu or drop them off at the Office of Student Affairs, Room 244. Please also feel free to see us regarding your calendar planning.

FEDERALIST SOCIETY

Come out to Savannah Lounge on Friday, September 22 with the Hofstra Law Federalist Society for free drinks, food, and a great time for all from 4-7 p.m. All Hofstra Law students are welcome. Please bring your student ID card. Savannah Lounge is in a great location – about a mile from the Law School, at 1900 Hempstead Turnpike in East Meadow.

HOFSTRA LAW WOMEN (HLW)

Think you know who's going to win the World Series? Stop by the Student Lounge on Tuesday, September 19 from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. and support the Hofstra Law Women by joining the World Series baseball pool!

STUDENT BAR ASSOCIATION (SBA)

Come meet your class representatives elected to serve you! Share your ideas, concerns, and questions with your SBA class reps on Monday, September 25 at 5 p.m. in Room 205.

SYMPOSIA, CONFERENCES, SPECIAL EVENTS

A MEMORIAL SERVICE IN CELEBRATION OF THE LIFE AND WORK OF PROFESSOR WILLIAM R. GINSBERG

The Dean and Faculty of Hofstra University School of Law invite you to attend a Celebration of the Life and Academic Career of the Late William R. Ginsberg, Rivkin Radler Distinguished Professor of Environmental Law Emeritus. The ceremony will take place in the Siben & Siben Moot Courtroom, Room 308 of the Law School at 3:10 p.m. on Thursday, September 28, followed by a reception in the Leeds Morelli & Brown Atrium.

Professor Ginsberg retired from Hofstra University School of Law in 2004 but continued to make important pro bono contributions through various public interest organizations concerned with preserving our natural environment. He was a true pioneer in matters of environmental law and protective policies.

For additional information, please call Joanne Ramirez at (516) 463-5854 or Joanne.Ramirez@hofstra.edu.

BIOMEDICAL RESEARCH AND THE LAW

October 4-5, 2006, 9 a.m.-6 p.m.

Hofstra Law School and Hofstra Cultural Center present *Biomedical Research and the Law – Selected Issues: The Pharmaceutical Industry and Its Relationship with Government, Academia, Physicians and Consumers*. This conference will explore various aspects of law dealing with possible bias and conflicts of interest arising from industry's relationships in the performance and reporting of biomedical research. For further information, please visit www.hofstra.edu/biomedconf.

WRITING COMPETITIONS AND FELLOWSHIPS

(See the Bulletin Board next to the Leeds Morelli & Brown Atrium or stop by the Office of Student Affairs, Room 244, for further information.)

ABA Law Student Division Competitions

Would you like to hone your critical thinking and legal skills? The American Bar Association Law Student

Division Competitions Program is the perfect vehicle to do just that! By participating in one or more of the ABA Law Student Division four competitions, law students have the opportunity to participate in intra-school competitions to determine who will win the right and honor of representing their school at the regional competitions. The ABA Law Student Division is now accepting entry forms for the following competitions:

- Arbitration Competition (Deadline: September 8)
- Negotiation Competition (Deadline: September 15)
- Client Counseling Competition (Deadline: October 27)
- National Appellate Advocacy Competition (Deadline: November 10)

Details about the competitions, as well as online entry forms and a PDF of the Competition Poster, can be found on the Competition's website at <http://www.abanet.org/lsd/competitions>

Constitutional Law

Sponsor/Title: The American College of Trial Lawyers Essay Contest

Topic: Judicial Independence and the Separation of Powers Doctrine

Award: The first place winner will receive \$10,000. The second place winner will receive \$5,000.

Deadline: **March 1, 2007**

Criminal Justice

Sponsor/Title: 2007 William W. Greenhalgh Student Writing Competition

Topic: Essays should address any important pending legal controversy implicating or with the potential to impact upon American criminal constitutional procedures.

Award: The winner receives a \$2,000 cash prize plus a one-year Criminal Justice Section membership and free airfare and accommodations to attend a Section function at the ABA's Annual Meeting in San Francisco in August 2007. At the discretion of the editorial board, the winning entry may be selected for publication in *Criminal Justice* magazine, subject to editing. In addition, the winner's law school will receive a plaque from the ABA's Criminal Justice Section. All entrants receive one year's free membership in the Criminal Justice Section.

Deadline: **April 11, 2007**

Gender Law

Sponsor/Title: The Berkeley Journal of Gender, Law, and Justice Writing Award

Topic: Submissions should examine the intersection of gender with one or more other axes of subordination including, but not limited to, race, class, sexual orientation, and disability.

Award: The article selected for the award will be published in the Spring 2007 issue of the *Berkeley Journal of Gender, Law and Justice* and its author will receive \$500.

Deadline: **November 1, 2006**

General

Sponsor/Title: National Conference of Commissioners on Uniform State Laws William J. Pierce Writing Contest

Topic: Any article, note, or comment that addresses a uniform or model act, or an issue arising from a uniform or model act promulgated by NCCUSL may be eligible.

Award: The winning article, note, or comment will receive a prize of \$500 and will be eligible for publication in the NCCUSL quarterly newsletter, *Uniform Activities*. Other exceptional articles will also be considered for publication in the newsletter.

Deadline: **December 31, 2006**

Tax Law

Sponsor/Title: The Federal Bar Association Section of Taxation Writing Competition

Topic: Federal Income Taxation

Award: Two winning papers will be selected. The author of the first prize paper will receive a \$1,500 cash prize; a trip to the FBA's Annual Tax Law Conference on March 12, 2007, where the winner will be presented with a commemorative plaque; and publication in the Tax Section quarterly newsletter. The second prize paper will receive a \$750 cash prize, a commemorative plaque, and publication in the Tax Section quarterly newsletter.

Deadline: **February 1, 2007**

Women & the Law

Sponsor/Title: The Victoria Fisher Memorial Prize 2006

Topic: Women & the Law

Award: The winning entry will be awarded £250.

Deadline: **September 30, 2006**

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