

TJSL Patent Clinic Files its First Application



Left to Right: Client Kathryn Rendon, Derek Midkiff 2L, Professor Ross Franks

How many of us have ever had an idea and thought to ourselves: “Hey, I should patent that.”

That’s exactly what inventor Kathryn Rendon is doing with the help of the Patent Clinic that is part of Thomas Jefferson School of Law’s Small Business Law Center.

Rendon’s creation is a clothing accessory she felt was “patentable.” TJSL Adjunct Professor Ross Franks, the supervising attorney of the clinic, agreed. After months of work, the patent application was filed on March 4 – the very first application filed by the new patent center.

“I’m ecstatic to file our first patent application,” said Professor Franks, an experienced intellectual property attorney who’s in private practice in addition to guiding the clinic’s students.

“I could hardly sleep last night – I’m so excited,” Rendon said. “This gives my product a lot of value it didn’t have before.”

Derek Midkiff 2L, the TJSL student who was working with Rendon on the application, got more of a real-life experience than he could have hoped for. An earlier provisional patent application that Rendon had filed on her own was due to expire the day after TJSL filed her new application.

Had that happened, Professor Franks said Rendon would have lost her rights in the provisional application forever. “We had a deadline, it’s tomorrow.” Professor Franks said. “Miss it and you’re done.”

Professor Franks had nothing but praise for the way Midkiff handled the application...and the pressure.

“Derek got a realistic experience – especially because of the deadline pressure,” Professor Franks said. “This was a great experience for him. He did a great job with his first draft. I’m envious I didn’t get to have clinical experience like this in law school.”

“This has been an extremely beneficial learning experience,” said Midkiff, who passed the patent bar and is now a registered Patent Agent with USPTO. “It’s pretty exciting”

Among other courses at TJSL, Midkiff took Intro to Intellectual Property and Patent Law. He also took a course called Green Technology, Climate Change & IP Law.

“It’s cool to see the value of what you learned in the classroom and to be able to do it right,” Midkiff added.

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Rendon first learned of TJSL's Patent Clinic while attending an inventor's forum. She then stopped by the Small Business Law Center booth at the San Diego Entrepreneur Street Fair in the East Village last September and picked up a patent clinic application.

The next step was a meeting with Ross Franks and Derek Midkiff to go over the patent idea thoroughly.

"He immediately saw my vision of the product," Rendon said of Ross Franks. "He gets it. It made me feel comfortable – especially that the application would be filed the way I wanted it to be filed."

"I saw what she saw," Professor Franks said. "That's my job. The client's comfort level is very important. It's their baby. And finding a patent attorney is like finding your first babysitter."

The TJSL Patent Clinic had its genesis in April 2012, when Professor Steve Semeraro decided to file an application for the law school to be part of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) Patent Law School Clinic Certification Pilot Program. In June, USPTO granted the application and the TJSL clinic was born. One month later TJSL's Trademark Clinic also joined the USPTO pilot program.

TJSL is one of only 11 law schools in the entire nation and the only law school in California to have both a patent and a trademark clinic in the USPTO Law School Clinic Certification Pilot Program.

The patent program authorizes TJSL students to practice before the USPTO. As Derek Midkiff has done, they will be filing actual patent applications for actual clients and managing that application through the entire process, under the supervision of Ross Franks.

That process took up more than 100 hours of Midkiff's time – including creating diagrams and detailed descriptions of Rendon's product.

"She is the prototypical client – a solo inventor," said Professor Franks. "Often inventors don't have the resources to file a patent application. It can cost thousands in attorney's fees. At TJSL, she paid a \$500 filing fee."

Upon hearing the clinic's first application had been filed electronically, Professor Semeraro came to the clinic to congratulate everyone. "It's wonderful!" he said.

"The most consistent message we get from our alumni is that the most important thing in getting a job is real skills," Professor Semeraro said.

As for Derek Midkiff's experience of filing a patent application under intense deadline pressure, he says, "This is the real thing. It is so beneficial. We want to give this experience to as many students as we can."

For Kathryn Rendon, it's now a waiting game to hear whether her patent application will be granted. It could take as long as two-and-a-half years.

But now she knows she has done everything possible to protect her invention.

"I feel more safe," she said.

For information about TJSL's Patent Clinic, visit: www.tjsl.edu/clinics/patent-clinic

It's Tax Season and TJSL's VITA Tax Clinic is Open for Business!



L to R: Tax Law Society President Peter Lay 3L, Beata Chan 3L and Kathlyn Ortiz 3L

From now until April 12, the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) program operated by Thomas Jefferson School of Law's Tax Law Society, a student organization, will provide free income tax return preparation for students, low-income families, senior citizens and others who can't afford professional tax services or are unable to complete their own tax forms.

Since 1998, TJSL students have annually offered this service to the San Diego community. The clinic's student volunteers receive training to become IRS-certified, operate the TaxWise software, interview clients effectively and assemble a proper tax return. This year, there are about 15 students participating who are IRS-certified.



Tax Preparer Pantea Sharifi 3L with client Bryanna Drescher 3L

The TJSL tax clinic is open to walk-in clients on Tuesdays from 3-7 p.m., Thursdays from 3-7 p.m. and Fridays from 10 a.m.-3 p.m. The clinic will be closed on March 12, 26, 28 and 29.

Peter Lay 3L, TJSL student and president of the Tax Law Society, says he is proud to volunteer his time to the VITA clinic this year.

"The VITA Clinic is a great program that helps people in our community file their taxes and, at the same time, the student volunteers from the Tax Law Society are able to learn more about taxes while providing a valuable service," says Lay.



Tax Preparers Kathlyn Ortiz 3L and Armando Murillo Jr 1L

The Tax Law Society is advised by TJSL Professor Richard Winchester, a former attorney in the national tax office of PricewaterhouseCoopers who is a national authority on employment tax policy and the taxation of the closely held business.

The tax clinic is located in the law school's clinical offices at 495 Eleventh Ave.

Items you need to bring to the TJSL Tax Clinic to have your tax returns prepared are:

- Proof of identification
- Social Security Cards for you, your spouse and dependents and/or a Social Security Number verification letter issued by the Social Security Administration
- Birth dates for you, your spouse and dependents on the tax return
- Wage and earning statement(s) Form W-2, W-2G, 1099-R, from all employers
- Interest and dividend statements from banks (Forms 1099)
- A copy of last year's Federal and State returns if available
- Bank Routing Numbers and Account Numbers for Direct Deposit
- Total paid for day care provider and the day care provider's tax identifying number (the provider's Social Security Number or the provider's business Employer Identification Number)
- To file taxes electronically on a married filing joint tax return, both spouses must be present to sign the required forms.



Tax Preparer Gabe Baldini 3L

- If you rented your home, the name and address of your landlord or property management company and their phone number.

[Click here for more about the IRS VITA programVolunteers.](#)

TJSL Opening a Veterans Self-Help Legal Clinic



Thomas Jefferson School of Law will open a Veterans Self-Help Legal Clinic on March 20 to help former military service members with their legal needs. The veterans will be assisted by volunteer lawyers from the community working side-by-side with TJSL law students.

The self-help clinic will be appointment-only and will operate the third Wednesday of every month from 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. at 495 Eleventh Avenue. The clinic is now taking appointments.

“San Diego is home to more recently returned veterans from Iraq and Afghanistan than any other city in the country,” according to the clinic’s director, Professor Steve Berenson. “Many of them are grappling with a variety of legal issues without the assistance of counsel. The new clinic is designed to provide as much help as possible to these struggling veterans to represent themselves successfully in their legal matters. The clinic will also provide an additional opportunity to students at TJSL to get hands on legal practice experience, work with established volunteer lawyers and serve the San Diego community.”

On March 6, Professor Berenson presented a training session for the volunteers who will be staffing the self-help clinic – both attorneys and law students. The class focused on the substantive issues that are likely to arise in the clinic. [The class can be viewed online](#).

“The class went very well,” said Professor Berenson. “We had some of the top practitioners in San Diego presenting on issues that are likely to be prevalent among the veterans seeking services from the clinic. They included former VLAC Fellow Tiffany Gilmartin ’10 addressing family law issues; Patrick Long ’10 discussing veterans benefits; Susan Clemens ’85 addressing offender reentry issues; and Michael O’Halloran discussing bankruptcies. We also had Steve Binder ’84 from the Public Defender’s office discussing his experience in nearly three decades of working with struggling veterans here in San Diego.”

Each appointment at the Veterans Self-Help Clinic includes a half-hour consultation with a licensed attorney and a law student, who will provide limited assistance only, and not full or ongoing legal representation.

A number of important self-help services are available to veterans.

- Document Assistance: Help with filling out forms to be submitted to the court.
- Computer Access: The computers will be available to assist with filling out legal forms and conducting legal research.
- Document Review: Pre-filled out forms will be reviewed prior to submitting them to the court.
- Additional Resources: Information on how to move forward with your case.

Since 2006, TJSL has operated a highly successful Veterans Legal Assistance Clinic at Veterans Village of San Diego (VVSD). Our law students have been specially trained to work with VVSD’s residents on with their many legal issues.

This new Veterans Self-Help Clinic expands the law school’s commitment to help our country’s veterans with the many legal issues they may also face.

As mentioned, the new clinic has begun making appointments and to make an appointment please call 619-961-4369.

Moot Court Honor Society Team Performs Well at Jessup Competition in Portland



Susy Prochazka 3L, Jesse Allen 3L, Adriannette Ciccone 3L, Zac Ruetz 3L, Cristina Kinsella 2L and Professor Linda Keller

From February 28th to March 3rd, the Moot Court Honor Society's Jessup team participated in the 54th Philip C. Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition in Portland, Oregon, impressing both the judges and their team faculty advisor.

"The team of Jesse Allen, Susy Prochazka, Cristina Kinsella, Adriannette Ciccone, and Zac Ruetz was outstanding," said TJSJL Professor and Team Advisor Linda Keller. "They've worked since last summer on an incredibly complex problem in a very difficult competition."

"They represented TJSJL so well, for example, winning oral rounds against Whittier College and the University of Denver, the latter of which went on to the final rounds of the competition. TJSJL's Memorials (the briefs) tied for 7th best written submission in the Western regional rounds of the mock International Court of Justice, placing higher than 14 other teams, including those from UC – Berkeley, UCLA, Loyola, and California Western. They placed 11th overall, and one of the team members (Susy Prochazka) placed in the top 25 of overall speakers."

Twenty-two law schools competed at this regional round of the prestigious international law moot court competition. The Jessup Competition occurs on an international scale, with dozens of nations holding regional competitions, with the World Finals taking place in Washington D.C. in April 2013.

The 60-page fact pattern, or *Compromis*, presented multiple complex issues of international law, refugee and asylum law, human rights law issues and climate change policy. These intricate areas of international law were explored in the context of a dispute between two States involving the loss of an island country to the disastrous effects of climate change and the subsequent discord in refugee status of the island's former citizens, conditions of refugee detention and the allegedly illegal seizure of outstanding development loans.

Over a three-month period, the TJSJL's Jessup team researched the tangle of international law problems and produced two 60-page briefs, or *Memorials*, that addressed four distinct issues: (1) the matter of statehood in the context of an island State that had lost its former physical territory to the rising waters of the ocean; (2) the legal status of migrants from the former island territory under existing refugee conventions and policies either encouraging or restricting the expansion of the definition of "refugee"; (3) the legality of conditions of detention at a migrant processing center and whether those conditions violate human rights law; and (4) the legal implications presented by a creditor State's seizure of foreign assets to satisfy the debtor State's outstanding debt. Each main issue was rife with sub-issues and contentious areas of dispute, and the Jessup team worked hard to narrow the discussion while addressing all the relevant and overlapping areas of law.

Once the Memorials were submitted in early January, the Jessup team turned its attention to perfecting the oral arguments. The team worked closely with Professor Keller and Professor Slomanson, both experienced in the fields of international law and international humanitarian law, to learn the nuanced standards of advocacy that are unique to the International Court of Justice. Several professors were also kind enough to lend their legal expertise and knowledge while acting as formidable judges during practice sessions.

Four team members focused on crafting oral arguments while one member acted as a coach and general adviser on international law. After three months of constant meetings, practices and rehearsals, the Jessup team successfully competed in the 54th Philip C. Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition at Lewis & Clark Law School, besting many competitors in both oral and written submissions.

"I'm so proud of this team," said Professor Keller. "I doubt they'll ever face judges this tough again, but if so, I'm sure they will perform with equal grace under pressure!"

For those interested in participating in Jessup next year, be sure to look for the upcoming Moot Court Honor Society tryouts in April 2013.

The Alternative Dispute Resolution Team Competes in Tempe

By Sara Denton 2L

On February 22, a group of Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) team members packed themselves into vans and took off on a road trip to Tempe, Arizona for the annual ABA Regional Representation in Mediation Competition. Hosted by the Sandra Day O'Connor College of Law at Arizona State University, the competition focused on attorney representation of clients in mediation and awarded those teams that effectively used both problem solving and advocacy skills in reaching an agreement for their client.



Left to Right: Elenasina "Lena" Smolinski, G. Lucia Valenzuela, Samantha Birkner, Lorena Garza, Thanh Thanh Ho, Kale Sopoaga, Sara Denton

As a part of pre-trial procedure, a significant number of cases in the courts today are seen in a mediation environment. Law students and lawyers are encouraged to acquaint themselves with skills in advocating for their clients through mediation and this competition was an opportunity for students to be introduced to this growing area in the legal community, all while participating in some friendly competition. Mediating is a very important skill for attorneys, and "the method in which we advocate for our clients interest in a mediation environment, is much different from a litigation point of view," says G. Lucia Valenzuela 1L.

Six schools, including Thomas Jefferson School of Law; California Western School of Law; University of La Verne College of Law; University of Utah, S.J Quinney College of Law; Phoenix School of Law; and Sandra Day

O'Connor College of Law, came together on Saturday, February 23 to compete for the regional title. Each school was represented by two teams, each composed of an "attorney" and a "client". Representing Thomas Jefferson School of Law were Alexander Green 2L, G. Lucia Valenzuela 2L, Lorena Garza 2L, and Sara Denton 2L.



Left to Right: Alexander Green, Jeremy Elias, Jonathan Stahler, Sam Ehrlich

For weeks leading up to the competition, both teams worked hard in their preparation with their coaches and other ADR team members to tailor their performances to competition quality. Practice "spars" and self-evaluation practices allowed for each team to fine-tune their strategies and work through hypothetical situations and potential obstacles they may be faced with during the competition. The team coaches traveled with the competitors, continuing to provide guidance and assist their teams in each of their rounds. First-time coach Jonathan Stahler 2L said, "The competition was a valuable learning experience that will help me prepare accordingly for future competitions as a competitor and coach."

Director of Advocacy and ADR programs for Thomas Jefferson School of Law, Professor Paul Spiegelman said he, "was enormously impressed with the performances of our teams and coaches. The problem was

released late, only two weeks before the competition. With only Alex Green as an experienced competitor and rookies Sara Denton, Lorena Garza and Lucia Valenzuela, our two teams performances were remarkable and highly competitive with other teams. "We were well prepared, skilled in our presentations, imaginative in our solutions and insightful in our analysis," said Denton. "I am looking forward to our now-seasoned members contributing to future successes. Our fine performances would not have been possible without able coaching from Tee Ho, Lena Smolinski, Matt Juhren, Garrett McLearn , Jonathan Stahler, Kale Sopoaga and Sam Ehrlich and the enormous support from the whole ADR team."

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The Alternative Dispute Resolution Team Competes in Tempe Continued...



Alternative Dispute Resolution Team
with Professor Paul Spiegelman

Although neither team was crowned with the regional title, it was an experience that produced great memories and performances to be proud. As team competitor G. Lucia Valenzuela 1L said, “the lessons of mediation representation are going to be a great addition to my toolbox of skills.”

With the majority of the competitors being new to the ADR team, the process was a great opportunity for everyone to work together. As a first time competitor, “this competition was such a great experience. I am so appreciative of all the hard work, time, and dedication our fellow ADR members, coaches, Professor Spiegelman, and my partner, Lorena Garza. I am certain that the skills I have learned from this experience will make me a better advocate for my future clients and better problem solver as an attorney” said Denton.

The ADR team is now preparing Sean Kelley 3L, Lawrence Kleinman 3L, Tim Thiel 3L, and Michael Morphew 2L for the upcoming Student Environmental Negotiation Competition on March 15 in San Francisco, California. On behalf of the entire ADR team, we wish all of our competitors the best of luck!

TJSL's Moot Court Teams Compete in San Fran

Written by RuthAnne Bergt 3L



Paul Hefley, Emily Shank, Danielle Gilbert, Professor Paul Spiegelman, Kimberly Roth, RuthAnne Bergt, and Geoffrey Abram.

TJSL's Moot Court Honor Society recently sent two teams to compete in the ABA National Appellate Advocacy Competition. The prestigious competition was held February 28 - March 2 at the Federal Courthouse in downtown San Francisco. The two teams received the competition problem in November and diligently worked on their briefs and oral arguments through winter break and the first half of this semester.

This year's competition problem was regarding false arrest, malicious prosecution, and the 4th Amendment. Specifically the issues were (1) whether there should be a threshold condition to qualified immunity protection for police officers, and (2) whether omitting key evidence from a grand jury taints their deliberations, thus making them no longer an independent determiner of probable cause.

Our two teams won four out of their first six rounds of competition and had briefs scoring in the top 25%! One team made it to the semi-final regional round, but was knocked out of the competition by USC Gould (who went on to be regional champions). Overall, this was the strongest showing by TJSL in years.

Please congratulate our students for their dedication, hard work, and excellent representation of our school!

PAD Mock Trial Team has Weekend to Remember in Washington D.C.



Jessica Barber,Chelsey Guay, Rikole Santin, Professor Randy Grossman,Reswan Kahn, Josh Hamlin

The members of TJSL’s Phi Alpha Delta Mock Trial team had a memorable experience this past weekend in Washington, D.C.

It began when they got off their plane at Reagan Airport and ran into U.S. Senator John McCain at the adjacent gate. They introduced themselves and posed for a picture with the former presidential candidate, whom the team’s faculty advisor Professor Randy Grossman said was friendly and gracious.

The PAD competition featured teams from across the U.S. Josh Hamlin 3L, Jessica Barber 3L, Rezwan Kahn 2L and Rikole Santin 2L were the TJSL team, which was coached by Chelsey Guay 2L.



PAD Mock Trial Team with Senator John McCain

The PAD team also got a special behind-the-scenes tour of the U.S. Supreme Court, courtesy of Justice Antonin Scalia’s personal secretary. The students were photographed on the court’s spiral staircase, which the public never gets to see. But that’s not all!

“We were able to enter the Courtroom, sit in the chairs reserved for honored guests and stand at the podium before the judges’ bench,” said Chelsey Guay.

As for the competition, TJSL’s team did not advance to the fourth round, but Professor Grossman is extremely proud of their performance. “They did really well,” Professor Grossman said. “They were impressive.”



PAD Mock Trial Team Pose in SCOTUS Lobby with John Marshall Statue

“Our team performed *very well*,” said coach Chelsey Guay. “We put in a lot of time and hard work, and it definitely paid off. We faced some tough competition, though. Bittersweetly, we didn’t advance to the finals, but that allowed us to take some time to tour our Nation’s Capital. In addition to the Supreme Court, we also toured the National Mall and saw the White House, the Washington Monument, the Lincoln Memorial, the Vietnam Veterans Memorial, the Korean War Veterans Memorial and the Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial.”

It’s a weekend none of them will probably ever forget.

“We got lucky with beautiful weather all weekend and had a really great time,” said Guay. “It was a great learning experience to participate in the Mock Trial Competition and to have the opportunity to travel to D.C. Our overall experience was fantastic!”

TJSL's First JSD Dissertation Defense was a Global Affair



Olufeyisan Feyi-Sobanjo

On February 22, TJSL's online doctoral (JSD) program conducted its first dissertation defense, called a "rigorosum." "JSD" stands for a Latin phrase that means "Doctor of the Science of Law." A rigorosum is the culmination of up to five years of work by the student following receipt of a J.D. or other graduate degree such as an LL.M. or J.S.M., and is conducted in a question and answer format.

This rigorosum, conducted via videoconference, was a global affair. It also may have been a historic first.

"To my knowledge, no other law school in the United States or elsewhere has an online JSD program," said TJSL's Assistant Dean for Distance Education Programs, Arnold Rosenberg, who is Director of TJSL's JSD program. "This was, therefore, to my knowledge, the first JSD dissertation defense ever conducted entirely online."

The student, Olufeyisan Feyi-Sobanjo, was in Nigeria, where he resides. The dissertation supervisor, Adjunct Professor Robert Munro, was in Florida. The evaluators were Prof. Amelia Boss of Drexel University School of Law in Philadelphia and Dr. Dionsysios Demetis in London, formerly a faculty member at the London School of Economics. Dean Rosenberg, who organized and directed the event, was in San Jose, California.

The outcome was that Mr. Feyi-Sobanjo was granted the JSD degree and is now Dr. Feyi-Sobanjo.

Feyi's dissertation topic was "Legal Issues and Recommendations for E-Commerce Development in West Africa: A Comparative Analysis of the Economic Community for West Africa States, Nigeria, Ghana, United States and European Union Electronic Commerce Legal Regimes."

Professor Boss is one of the world's leading commercial law scholars. Dr. Demetis is a leading international expert on Internet security, as is Professor Munro.



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Music Performance Rights Panel: Pay it to Play it?



Professor K.J. Greene

It seems like everywhere we go there is music: On our car radios, in our workplace, in restaurants, health clubs and night clubs. Even in our dentist's office.

And anytime we hear music in a public place – there's a good chance that the songwriter is owed some money.

For example, the rock and roll you hear blaring in your spin class constitutes a public performance – and the songwriter is due royalties from your club.

The very complicated rules that govern Public Performance Rights was the topic of a special event presented by TJSJL entertainment law Professor K.J. Greene on March 6, featuring two experts on music licensing. It was originally planned as a session of Professor Greene's Music Law Class, but because there was so much interest, it expanded to an event to which all TJSJL students were invited.

One of the speakers, TJSJL alumnus Brandon Sand '10, is an attorney whose practice includes music licensing and consulting for SESAC, one of the three music licensing organizations in the U.S. The other two are ASCAP and BMI and all of them are known in the music business as PROs – Performing Rights Organizations.

"One of the highlights for me at TJSJL was taking music law from Professor Greene," said Sand. "I was once where you are now."

The other speaker was Hamish Brown, who is a Music Licensing Consultant with SESAC, and negotiates music performance licenses for businesses.

"It's important to know what PROs do," said Sand. "PROs represent songwriters and public performance (of music) is the exclusive right of the copyright holder."

That's the easy part. The hard part is knowing what constitutes public performance and what doesn't, and what the rules are governing the fees that PROs collect on behalf of the songwriters.

"Taylor Swift is rich not because she is a performer," said Sand. "She's rich because she's a songwriter."

"There's a lot of money out there that's not being collected," according to Brown. "Businesses playing music are performances."

Often, a business will be hit up by three different PROs because the music it is playing is licensed by all three of the organizations.

It gets confusing.



Emcee Najmah Brown 3L



Brandon Sand '10



Hamish Brown

"It's a nightmare because a lot of people in business don't know about copyright law," said Sand. "But music makes money for businesses and once it is performed, there is strict liability."

The experts went over the rules and the exceptions in great detail and gave those who attended handouts and brochures to better explain it. Interestingly, one example used in the class was this: If a nightclub is playing music and there are no customers inside at the time – it's still a public performance under the rules. And the songwriter is owed money.

The experts were asked, theoretically, if a tree falls in the forest and there's no one is to there hear it, do the PROs still get to collect a performance fee from the forest?

The answer was a resounding "yes."

National Lawyers Guild Presents Death Penalty Panel at TJSL



Professors Alex Landon and John Cotsirilo and Paul Spiegelman

Is the death penalty a deterrent to crime? Is it worth the huge amount of money that states have to spend on executing death row inmates?

These two important questions that have been debated for decades were discussed at an event held at TJSL on March 7, presented by the National Lawyers Guild and TJSL's NLG student chapter. The panel was held in honor of the Day Against the Death Penalty.

Three prominent San Diego attorneys who have done extensive work on death penalty cases made up the panel: Criminal Defense Attorney and USD School of Law Adjunct Professor Alex Landon; Criminal Defense Attorney and USD School of Law Adjunct Professor John Cotsirilos; and TJSL Adjunct Professor Paul Spiegelman, who is also a defense attorney.



Professor Cotsirilos spoke of the many death penalty cases where the defendants were innocent – and yet still suffered the ultimate penalty.

“People were sent to death across the U.S. where DNA later showed they could not have committed the crime,” Cotsirilos said. “Race is still a big predictor in administering the death penalty,” he added. “People are four times more likely to receive a death sentence if the victim is white.”

In California, the “futility and cost of the death penalty led to the creation of Proposition 34,” Cotsirilos pointed out. That November 2012 ballot measure failed by a margin of 52-48%.



Professor John Cotsirilo

“Since the death penalty was reinstated in California in 1978, the state has spent \$4 billion executing prisoners,” said Professor Landon. “That’s \$308 million per execution. And more inmates on death row die from natural causes or suicide than by execution.”

Landon doesn’t believe the death penalty is a deterrent to would-be murderers.

“Most people admit now that the death penalty is not a deterrent,” Landon said. “Jurisdictions with the death penalty have higher homicide rates than places without the death penalty.”



Professor Paul Spiegelman

Cotsirilos agrees, and said “Nothing shows empirically that the death penalty deters future murders. States with the death penalty continue to have higher murder rates.”

“The system in California is totally broken,” said Professor Spiegelman. “And the great fraud of the death penalty is the effect on the family. If someone is sentenced to life in prison without parole, justice is served and they can get on with their lives. But with the death penalty, people often have to spend the greater portion of their lives waiting for justice,” he added, referring to a case where the mother of a six-year old boy was murdered and the boy is now 24-years-old, while the murderer sits on death row.

Former California State Senator John Briggs, who created the Briggs Death Penalty Initiative in the 1970s, is now campaigning for its repeal and replacement with life without parole, according to Professor Spiegelman. Quoting Briggs, he said: “It just hasn’t worked.”

Thank You Student Services for Hosting the Midterm Breakaway



Diana Vasquez 3L and Mayra C. Llanos 3L

"Everyone needs a little break from Midterm studying, and what better way to do it than snacking with your peers!," said Diana Vasquez.

Midterm Breakaway is sponsored by Student Services and was held on Thursday, March 7.

"Thank you for the subway and snacks! TJ is always looking out for its students," said Jack Pogosian 1L .

"It is very thoughtful of TJSL to provide students with snacks and a study break amidst the Midterm stress," said Mayra C. Llanos 3L.



Kimberly Harding 2L and Assistant Director of Student Services Angela Bayne

The Midterm Breakaway gave students a brief break from studying and provided them with a chance to socialize and grab a free lunch before heading back to the books.

"The snacks are getting me through property class," said Bruce Murray 1L. "I was on the run today and I didn't bring lunch, so the free snacks saved me."

"It is very thoughtful of TJSL to provide students with snacks and a study break amidst the Midterm stress," said, Mayra C. Llanos.

Both midterm breakaways drew large numbers of students to the 5th floor student lounge. The first breakaway ran from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. for daytime students; the other breakaway took place from 4:30 - 5:30 p.m. for evening students.



Center Nahuel Enciso 1L

Nahuel Enciso 1L took advantage of the afternoon session. "Eating food is a great way to breakaway from Midterm studies," he said. "Thank you Student Services!"

"It is very thoughtful of the administration to treat us during exams," said Kimberly Harding 2L. "I always enjoy coming up to the 5th floor during these times to see what treats they will have for us!"

Midterm Exams end on March 12.



Bruce Murray 1L and Jack Pogosian 1L





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For years, the Thomas Jefferson Veterans Legal Assistance Clinic (TJVLAC) has helped struggling veterans affiliated with the Veterans Village of San Diego recovery program with a wide range of legal issues. Unfortunately, the TJVLAC has not been able to provide any assistance to the broader community of veterans struggling with various legal needs. Beginning in March 2013, the TJVLAC will begin offering monthly, self-help, or limited assistance clinics to a broader range of low to moderate income veterans who are representing themselves in various legal matters. The TJVLAC is seeking volunteer law students to help to staff such clinics. This is a great opportunity for law students who have not had the chance to enroll in the TJVLAC to get "hands on," "real world" experience working with actual lawyers and actual veterans.

No particular course prerequisites or state bar certification are required in order to participate. However, students do need to participate in this training session, as well as the MCLE class that is being offered for both attorneys and law students on March 6, 2013. The MCLE class will focus on the substantive issues that are likely to arise in the clinic. This session will focus on client interviewing and counseling skills, particularly in the context of self-help or limited legal assistance clinics.

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General Meeting

Wednesday, March 13th @ 11:30am

Room 318

Food provided

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Come for a discussion of international law in current global events, and stay for information about our upcoming Monte Carlo Night fundraiser.



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NETWORKING DOS AND DON'TS



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The Center for Solo Practitioners presents

AVOIDING THE STATE BAR DISCIPLINE SYSTEM

FRIDAY, MARCH 15, 2013, 11:30 A.M. – 12:50 P.M.

CLASSROOM 225

1155 ISLAND AVENUE, SAN DIEGO, CA 92101

SPEAKER: KRISTIN L. RITSEMA

*SENIOR TRIAL COUNSEL
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF TRIAL COUNSEL
THE STATE BAR OF CALIFORNIA*

Ms. Ritsema is a graduate of the University of California, Berkeley and the University of California, Davis School of Law. Since 1993, Ms. Ritsema has been a prosecutor with the State Bar of California, Office of the Chief Trial Counsel, handling attorney disciplinary matters and regulatory matters before the State Bar Court. Her experience includes full case responsibility from investigation of allegations of misconduct through filing of charges, settlement, trial, and appeals. At various times, she has led teams of attorneys, investigators and paralegals. She currently serves as Calibration Senior Trial Counsel for the Los Angeles office, conducts and arranges training for attorneys, investigators and paralegals, acts as liaison for outreach, and teaches State Bar Ethics School and Client Trust Accounting School. Prior to joining the Office of the Chief Trial Counsel, Ms. Ritsema was a litigation associate with the law firm of Keesal, Young & Logan in Long Beach.

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1.0 Hour of Legal Ethics MCLE Credit Available



SELF-HELP CLINIC FOR LOW TO MODERATE INCOME — VETERANS —



STARTING MARCH 20, 2013 ON EVERY THIRD WEDNESDAY

BY APPOINTMENT ONLY 6:00 – 8:00 P.M.
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VETERANS SELF-HELP CLINIC THOMAS JEFFERSON SCHOOL OF LAW

Every third Wednesday of the month, Thomas Jefferson School of Law's new Self-Help Clinic will offer limited legal assistance for low to moderate income veterans. The clinic is open from 6:00–8:00 p.m. and appointments are required. No walk-ins will be allowed.

Each appointment will consist of a half-hour consultation with a licensed attorney and a law student. They will provide limited assistance only – not full or ongoing legal representation.

SERVICES AVAILABLE

ATTORNEY CONSULTATION

Half-hour consultation with an attorney and a law student to discuss your legal needs.

DOCUMENT ASSISTANCE

Assistance with filling out forms to be submitted to the court.

COMPUTER ACCESS

Access to computers to assist with filling out legal forms and conducting legal research.

DOCUMENT REVIEW

Have your pre-filled out forms reviewed prior to submitting them to the court.

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

Receive information on how to move forward with your case.

MAKE AN APPOINTMENT AT (619) 961-4369

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Wednesday,



March 20
4:30-6pm



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- *Liani Reeves*, General Counsel, Office of the Governor for the State of Oregon

Moderator:

Susan Daly, Partner, HechtSolberg LLP

- WHEN: Thurs., **March 28, 2013**, 5:30 p.m. cocktails / 6:00 p.m. CLE start (reception to follow)
- WHERE: One America Plaza, 600 West Broadway, San Diego, CA 92101
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Academic Success & Writing Center Workshops Spring 2013

All workshops will be held on Wednesdays from 11:30 am to 12:45 pm

3/6/2013 and 3/13/2013 Room 227

Writing in Agreement (Part I and II)

This workshop focuses on correct writing skills, and specifically, subject-verb agreement, subject-noun agreement, verb tense, parallel structure and possessives. Students will complete practice problems to reinforce correct writing and agreement.

3/20/2013 Room 227

Writing with Clarity

The Writing with Clarity workshop is intended to hone the students' writing skills in a manner that makes the content easy for the audience to read. The workshop will include lecture and practice relating to misplaced modifiers, vague referents, tricky pronouns, and transitional words.

4/3/2013 Room 227

Using Your Words Effectively

This workshop focuses on word selection for precision and conciseness. The bulk of the workshop will be spent completing practice problems, including word choice selection problems and editing wordy, cluttered statements for conciseness.

4/10/2013 Room 227

Countdown to Final Exams

This workshop begins with a brief overview of time management and planning strategies for the last month of classes, leading up to finals. Students participate in a reverse-scheduling and calendaring exercise to plot out what they need to do to successfully prepare for exams.

Weekend Writing Workshops (Saturdays 9 am -12pm)

These three-hour writing workshops will begin by discussing outlining and organizational learning schemes particular to the subject focus of the class, as well as how professors grade using rubrics and how students can organize their time more effectively to get the most points on their exams. Students will be provided rules to complete practice pre-writing and outlining activities. Students may be offered the opportunity to write a short essay and self-grade, or they may be afforded the opportunity to submit their practice essays to the Writing Center for individualized feedback.

Courses covered in these Saturday morning workshops are: Evidence [3/2/2013, Room 316], Property I [3/2/2013, Room 318], Professional Responsibility [4/6/2013, Room 316], Constitutional Law [4/6/2013, Room 318], Criminal Procedure [4/13/2013, 316], Business Associations [4/13/2013, 318]



The Center for Tax Law and Employee Benefits at The John Marshall Law School in Chicago is pleased to announce the 2013 Paul Faherty Tax Law Writing Competition. James Lynch, a partner at Winston & Strawn LLP, has graciously endowed this writing competition to honor Paul Faherty, former director of the Center for Tax Law and Employee Benefits.

Prizes and Eligibility

Awards include one grand prize of **\$3,000** and two honorable mentions, each **\$1,000**.

Any student currently enrolled in an ABA-accredited law school in the U.S. may enter. Topics may include any aspect of tax law.

Submit papers by email to aberkow@jmls.edu

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For further information, contact Professor Kathryn J. Kennedy, Director of the Center for Tax Law & Employee Benefits, at 7kennedy@jmls.edu or visit <http://www.jmls.edu/academics/taxeb/writing-competition.php>

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WEDNESDAY, APRIL 3RD

12:00-12:50, ROOM 325 OR

4:45-5:45, ROOM 227 OR

THURSDAY, APRIL 4TH

12:00-12:50, ROOM 325

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FAIR HOUSING: LAW, POLICY AND ADVOCACY



THURSDAY, APRIL 11, 2013

11:30 AM-12:45 PM ROOM 225

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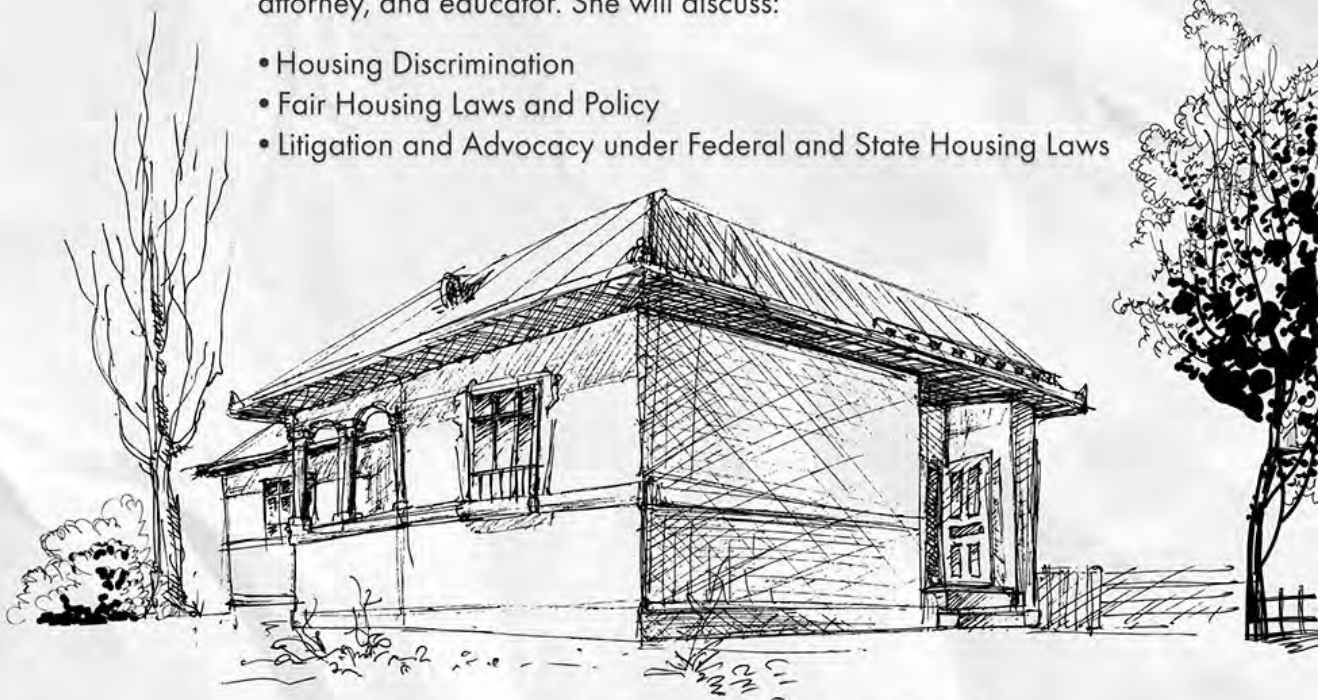
The Fair Housing Council of San Diego works to eliminate unlawful housing discrimination in the housing rental, sales, lending and property insurance markets on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin, sex, familial status (presence of children in the family), disability, age, ancestry, sexual orientation, marital status, source of income, or other basis as defined by law affecting the San Diego regional housing market.

Speaker: **MARY SCOTT KNOLL**

Executive Director of the Fair Housing Council of San Diego

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Career Services Presents ...

Getting a Grip on Your Student Loans

with Joe Braxton, Student Loan Expert

Wednesday, April 17, 2013

11:30 a.m. in Room 323

Brown Bag—Bring your own lunch/refreshments.

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This presentation will help you:

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How do I donate?

TJSL SALDF is now a donation site for Pets of the Homeless- please help us help the pets and pet-owners that need it most! Donations can be dropped off at SALDF desk in student organization room

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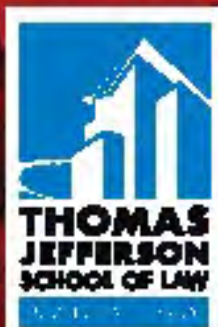
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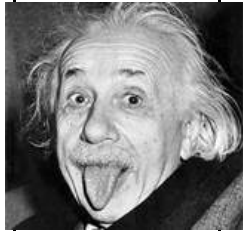







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March

<i>Sunday</i>	<i>Monday</i>	<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Friday</i>	<i>Saturday</i>
<p>10</p> <p>On March 10, 1862 the first United States paper money was issued. The denominations were \$5, \$10, and \$20. They became legal tender by Act of March 17, 1862</p> 	<p>11</p> <p><i>Midterms Begin</i></p>	<p>12</p>	<p>13</p>	<p>14</p> <p>11:30 a.m. TJSL Alumni Association Presents Networking DOs and DON'Ts Room 225</p> <p><i>Albert Einstein was born on this day in 1879</i></p> 	<p>15</p>	<p>16</p>
<p>17</p> <p><i>St. Patrick's Day!</i></p> 	<p>18</p>	<p>19</p>	<p>20</p> <p><i>First day of Spring</i></p> <p><i>International Earth Day</i></p> 	<p>21</p>	<p>22</p>	<p>23</p>
<p>24</p> <p><i>Palm Sunday</i></p>  <p>Palm Sunday</p>	<p>25</p> <p><i>Passover begins at sundown</i></p> 	<p>26</p>	<p>27</p>	<p>28</p>	<p>29</p> <p><i>Good Friday</i></p> 	<p>30</p> <p><i>Tomorrow is Easter</i></p>