



Martyn Artizada (2L) and Ian Seruelo (2L)

TJSL Aids In Philippines Relief Efforts

In the aftermath of Super Typhoon Haiyan hitting the central Philippines on November 8, TJSL Alums and student organizations came together to collaborate relief efforts. They called on the TJSL community for help with money, non-perishable food items, and household supplies.

“It is heartbreaking to see the extent of the damage of the recent super typhoon that hit the Philippines. Thousands perished and more than half a million lost their homes. Food, water and medicine are badly needed. I feel that it is our responsibility to help in any way we can to alleviate the suffering of those who survived this

calamity,” said TJSL student and Disaster Relief Organizer Ian Seruelo (2L) --who comes from the devastated area.

TJSL Alum Edward Pamintuan, Esq. ‘06 coordinated with LBC Express, a Filipino-American door-to-door carrier to ship donations for Philippine relief efforts for free. Donated items collected at TJSL or at any LBC Express location will be shipped to the Philippine Red Cross to be immediately distributed.

“I was impressed with how quickly the staff at Thomas Jefferson School of Law sprang into action after I let them know that LBC Express would be shipping donations for the Philippines relief effort for free,” said Pamintuan. “Also, Ian did excellent work by starting the disaster relief fund.”

Seruelo rallied several student organizations to launch the Disaster Relief Fund Drive.

Sponsoring student organizations include: TJSL Student Bar Association, Labor & Employment Law Association, Immigration Law Society, Asian-Pacific American Law Students Association, Public Interest Law Foundation, Black Law Students Association, La Raza Students Association, National Lawyers Guild, Outdoors Club, and the Environmental Law Society.

“We are happy about the positive response of the TJSL community and continue to appeal to students, faculty, staff and the public to donate, as every single dollar is important. We are very thankful for the support of the student volunteers,” said Seruelo.

The Disaster Relief Fund raised \$2,301 dollars and will continue to accept monetary gifts online at <http://ianstjssl.wix.com/tjsldisasterfund>.



5K Outdoors Club Fun Run Fundraiser

On Saturday, November 16, the Outdoors Club and the Environmental Law Society ended the semester with its 5K Fun Run Fundraiser. The run/walk was a great opportunity to bring the Thomas Jefferson community--students, faculty, professors, and alumni--together before heading into finals.

There were over twenty Thomas Jefferson participants, including the Director of Facilities, Dennis Sable, and Professor Cromer Young, who was accompanied by her son. The

loop route started at the front doors of Thomas Jefferson and passed the newest addition to East Village, the San Diego Public Library. The route continued heading south, passed Petco Park and the Hilton Bayfront, before it looped through the Embarcadero Marina Park South. The route continued further along the harbor, before participants turned around, and headed back to campus, this time without looping the Marina Park.

The Outdoors Club and the Environmental Law Society were excited to organize the event and look forward to organizing future end-of-the-semester 5K, and possible 10K, run/walks. A portion of this semester's proceeds from the 5K was donated to the Disaster Relief Fund Drive for the victims in the Philippines of the Super Typhoon Haiyan that is being organized by Thomas Jefferson School of Law Alumni and Students.



ADR SOCIETY HOSTS ANNUAL TRYOUTS AND TAKES ON 22 OUTSTANDING NEW MEMBERS

On November 17, the Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) Society hosted a series of tryouts to determine membership for the upcoming academic year on the team. Competitors negotiated 30-minute rounds in a 2-on-2 format. This year, for the first time ever, ADR provided interested competitors with a series of training sessions where they broke down the fundamentals of negotiation, what judges look for in negotiation competitions, and the basics of strategic planning. The results were highly palpable.

"I felt that this year, we were treated to a noticeably higher-caliber competitor than we have seen before," explained President Alexander Green (3L). "It made a big difference for us as judges and veterans to see interested competitors implement—and do so effectively—the kinds of negotiation tactics that we teach and apply within our society. I am highly encouraged about our future and I think we've brought in a great group of students, negotiators, and people, whom will provide us with a superb opportunity to carry on the strong tradition of excellence that we have fostered in this society over the past decade. I would not hesitate to send many of these new members to a real competition right off the bat, and I am very, very excited about where we go from here."

In celebration of the new members, the graduating members, and the success that ADR has had this semester (two teams tying for first at the ABA Regional Negotiation Competition earlier this month), the ADR team hosted their annual Fall Social at Saltbox Dining and Drinking, bringing together rookie and veteran members in a casual environment where they could connect and socialize.

For more information about the Alternative Dispute Resolution Society, please e-mail adr@tjls.edu.



Jeremy Evans, Najda Aslanyan, Joshua Bonnici, Jack Pogolian, Ella Barsegyan, Marcus DeBose, Armine Kevorkian

ALSA's Panel with the Attorneys

On November 13th, the Armenian Law Students Association put together a panel that hosted three successful attorneys who shared their law school experiences and gave advice to students on how to become the go-to attorney.

Each panelist was invited to speak to the students due to their unique perspective and approach on the area of law that they practice in.

Students were able to gain beneficial information and practical insights about different areas of law from self-starting professionals like Joshua Bonnici, Jeremy Evans, and Marcus DeBose.

Students who attended the panel thought that they had gained a better understanding of mass torts, personal injury, criminal defense, business and entertainment law.

Marcus DeBose, one of the guest speakers, stated that he was “delighted to accept the invitation from President Aslanyan to speak at the TJSJL Armenian Law Students Association” and that he was “impressed with the level of insight and professionalism displayed by the students in their questions.” He emphasized how significant it is to help out the “soon to be new attorneys wade through the important transition from student to working professional.”

The panel presentation gave students an opportunity to meet professionals who were once in their shoes, decide what area of law interests them the most, obtain networking tactics and enjoy some great Mediterranean food.



San Francisco Alumni Happy Hour with Professor Deo

On November 18, TJSJL Professor Meera Deo met in San Francisco with Erica Gonzalez '11 and Sahzad Banth '11. Professor Deo is a Visiting Scholar at Berkeley Law this fall.

Sahzad is currently working at the legal department of Loyal 3, which he says is focused on “democratizing the capital markets.” His focus is corporate and securities law. When asked about his law school experience Sahzad said, “hard work, perseverance, and a drive to succeed will always lead to success.”

Gonzalez is working at a local firm and shared, “I am currently employed at Low Ball and Lynch — a general civil litigation firm. Thomas Jefferson has given me the confidence to voice my opinions and given me the language to strengthen my views into a poignant and persuasive voice. The road through law school was challenging and sometimes overwhelming, but has strengthened me to become the attorney I am today.”

San Francisco area alumni are encouraged to join TJSJL Bay Area events throughout the year. Interested in learning more about events in area? Keep up to date with upcoming events and make sure you are registered with the TJSJL Online Alumni Community.



TJSL Unveils New Military Website

In recognition of the fact that Thomas Jefferson School of Law has long been a leader in educating active duty service members, veterans, reservists and military spouses, the school has unveiled a new website designed to streamline the information and application process for those with a military connection.

The website, www.tjssl.edu/military, brings together a collection of resources designed to be especially relevant for those navigating the waters of a career transition after military service, or during a spouse's military service. The site provides prospective applicants with information about military-specific financial aid options, flexible curricular options, military-focused clinical offerings, and upcoming events that involve the campus military community. The website also provides profiles of current TJSL students and recent graduates who made the transition from military service to student life at TJSL.

The school launched the website following years developing a reputation for being a leader in educating students with a military background. This year, 11% of the fall entering class was made up of those who had served in uniform. The school also welcomes a large number of military spouses, a large proportion of whom are living in San Diego on an active duty service member's military orders. TJSL has a campus chapter of Student Veterans of America, which is a key component in the school's reputation for camaraderie among those who have served. The school also provides students with an opportunity to gain hands-on law practice experience through the Veterans Legal Assistance Clinic, which provides free legal representation to veterans who have a variety of legal needs. Student veterans are particularly drawn by the opportunity to gain law practice experience while helping fellow veterans.

Dean Thomas Guernsey marked the launch of the website as evidence of the school's commitment to meeting the needs of service members and their families. "The Navy and the Marine Corps have played unique roles in shaping the history and culture of San Diego, and the military community has played a major role in shaping the campus community here at TJSL," said Dean Guernsey. "Among our most important goals at TJSL is delivering an academic program that meets the needs of our service members and their families, with the financial support required to make a law education possible. That's why I am so proud that so many military students choose TJSL."

"I am excited about the launch of the new military website at TJSL," said Jennifer McCollough, a former Navy helicopter pilot who graduated from TJSL in 2013 and who now holds a prestigious federal clerkship in the Eastern District of Texas. "During my time at TJSL, the school was unfailingly flexible in helping me meet the demands of active duty service while continuing my commitment to excellence in my academic endeavors. I hope the site helps other soldiers, sailors, Marines and airmen find the same path to opportunity after military service."

The school owes its reputation as a leader in educating military-connected students in large part to its generous commitment to the Yellow Ribbon Program. The Yellow Ribbon program allows a large proportion of TJSL student veterans, and their spouses, to attend the school tuition-free. An even larger number of TJSL students attend law school using Post-9/11 GI Bill Benefits, and for many of those students, this entitlement pays for half of law school tuition outright. In addition to those military benefits, students who enter TJSL beginning in the January 2014 entering class will be eligible for a new slate of guaranteed merit scholarships, under a transparent and consistent system that allows applicants who are not using military benefits to clearly understand their prospective merit awards. The new military website provides applicants with a matrix laying out these award amounts.

"I am thrilled that the school has developed this new tool for reaching out to applicants from the military community," said Professor Bill Slomanson, a Navy veteran who works with many of TJSL's veteran applicants and students. "It was my own military service that brought me to San Diego, and I see in many of my military students the same desire to settle in this beautiful city. I'm proud that TJSL does such a wonderful job of training our military students for the next stage in their careers, especially because I observe, time and time again, that military students excel in the law school classroom."



Summer Study Abroad Programs in Hangzhou, China and Nice, France

Hangzhou, China

Thomas Jefferson School of Law, in cooperation with one of the most prestigious universities in China, Zhejiang University, presents a three week, ABA approved, International and

Comparative Law Study Abroad Program in Hangzhou, China, one of the most beautiful cities in the world.

The program gives students the opportunity to earn 4 credits in just 3 weeks. Classes are held mornings only and taught in English. Highlights include distinguished speakers and experts in the field of international law, a visit to Beijing Supreme Court, optional weekend and half-day trips to neighboring cities and scenic sites.

MCLE credit is available to attorneys in California. Attorneys in other states need to check with their State Bar office regarding MCLE credit.

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Curriculum Highlights: Students may choose to take two of the five courses offered. The courses are International Business Transactions; International Entertainment Law; Comparative Law Study of Small Businesses in China; Comparative Negotiations in International Business; and the Chinese Legal System and Its Reforms. Morning classes, held Monday through Friday, are taught in English. Distinguished faculty will include four professors from the Zhejiang University College of Law.

Overview: Earn 4 summer credits in 3 weeks in one of the most beautiful cities in the China, Hangzhou. The TJSL China Program runs from May 19 to June 6, 2014. It is ABA Approved. A half-day tour of Hangzhou, a four-day tour of Beijing, including the main sites and a visit to the Beijing Supreme Court, and a two-day tour of Shanghai, will be offered.

Setting Description: Centrally situated in one of the most beautiful cities in China and within walking distance of the famous West Lake, Zhejiang University College of Law offers an ideal environment for learning international and comparative law. Classes are held Monday through Friday, in the morning. Students will have afternoons and weekends to travel.

Program Value: The China Program is designed to encourage students to experience international law in an international setting, to exchange ideas with students from a different land, and to explore cultural differences that influence international business and legal transactions. Students are drawn from law schools across the United States and the world. Chinese students fluent in English and currently studying law at the Zhejiang University Guanghua College of Law will actively participate in the program.

Program Cost: Tuition \$3,000.00

Subjects: International Studies, Legal Studies



Summer Study Abroad Programs Continued...

Nice, France

Thomas Jefferson School of Law, in cooperation with the La Faculté de Droit de l'Université de Nice presents Summer Study Abroad Program in Nice, France.

Students may earn 4 summer credits in 4 weeks while studying on the French Riviera. The courses have an international focus and compare American and European approaches to law. Classes are held mornings only and are taught in English. Highlights include distinguished guest speakers in the field of international law, a day in the French court, an optional French class offered at no charge.

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Curriculum Highlights: Earn 4 summer credits in 4 weeks while studying on the French Riviera, in the breathtaking city of Nice. The courses have an international focus and compare American and European approaches to law. Students may choose to take two of the four courses offered. The courses are International Human Rights Law; Comparative Environmental Law; International Internet Law; and Comparative Tort Law. Classes are in the morning, Monday through Thursday and taught in English.

Overview: The 2014 Nice Program runs from June 23 to July 17, 2014 and is approved by the ABA. The courses have an international focus and compare American and European approaches to law. Students can earn 4 credits in just 4 weeks by completing two of the four programs offered.

Setting Description: The University of Nice School of Law offers an ideal environment for learning international and comparative law in a city that is both beautiful and rich in European culture and history. The program includes an organized trip to spend the day in a French court and sit in on one or more actual cases. Students will have 3-day weekends providing opportunities to visit Cannes, St. Tropez, Paris, Monaco, Venice and other renowned European cities.

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Professor Byrnes Publishes 2nd Edition of International Withholding Tax Treaty Guide

LexisNexis Publishes 2nd Edition of International Withholding Tax Treaty Guide, Authored by Associate Dean William H. Byrnes and Dr. Robert J. Munro LexisNexis released in September 2013 the new and expanded 2nd Edition of its International Withholding Tax Treaty Guide. Thomas Jefferson's Associate Dean of Graduate & Distance Education William Byrnes is the co-author with Dr. Robert J. Munro, retired law librarian of University of Florida. This is William Byrnes and Robert Munro's sixth book together.

When asked about how Dr. Munro and he started working

together, William Byrnes replied: "When I met him in 1998, Dr. Robert Munro was Co-Director of the Center for International Financial Crimes Studies at University of Florida's College of Law, focusing on anti money laundering and anti terrorism financing, whereas I focused on international taxation and multinational behavior. We explored several overlapping areas of interest, approaching each from our very different perspectives. Dr. Munro brings to the table his experience as a national security expert and his research into undocumented marketplaces whereas I bring my experience with multinational organization decision making and risk management."

"Dr. Munro has since retired from full time academia but still actively teaches anti money laundering for the Thomas Jefferson graduate program and provides its graduate and juris doctorate students with publication opportunities through the publication course to promote their professional careers. He has been particularly helpful with assisting students seek national security careers."

Regarding the 2nd edition International Withholding Tax Treaty Guide published this month, Robert Munro added: "The second edition of International Withholding Tax Treaty Guide includes a new binder with new chapter structures of completely rewritten tax information and analysis. The International Withholding Tax Treaty Guide has been expanded to include many new countries to match the robust list of 110 countries of Foreign Tax & Trade Briefs. Moreover, International Withholding Tax Treaty Guide subscribers will receive new chapters of analysis and planning based on the OECD Model DTA articles and major trading country jurisprudence that are most relevant to corporate tax counsel, addressing topics such as capital gains, dividends, interest, rents, leasing income, royalties, and permanent establishment. Corporate counsel may combine the Foreign Tax & Trade Brief publications with Tax Havens of the World to form an international tax planning and risk management library at substantially less cost than competitive product suites."

William Byrnes explained the history of this Lexis publication: "During the Second World War, Walter H. Diamond, then a banker, was tasked by the federal government to analyze and report on the investment and tax laws of each country and territory of which the Allies held confiscated Axis assets. Walter Diamond ventured though out the continents and Pacific meticulously collecting the local tax and investment laws and regulations applicable to the Allies new assets, and transcribed them into an understandable brief by country for the U.S. Treasury. In 1948, Matthew Bender published his country briefs in the first edition of Foreign Tax & Trade Briefs. Since 1948, the quarterly updated country briefs have been leveraged by thousands of multinational corporate counsel subscribers as part of their foreign tax and investments risk management best practices."

"In 1974, Matthew Bender added a third binder to Foreign Tax & Trade Briefs, International Withholding Tax Treaty Guide, to specifically address the important role of tax treaties in tax risk management that had developed in the sixties. By 1975, nearly 1,000 tax treaties had been signed between countries based on the OECD's Model with an additional 200 treaties in force based on the League of Nations Models. There are now more than 3,200 tax related treaties."

When asked about their next project together, Dr. Munro stated: "We are looking at tackling the rewrite of all three binders of Lexis' Tax Havens of the World, with a new table of contents, new chapters, and a more modern 'post-OECD reports' approach." William Byrnes added, "Yes, this major re-do should keep us creatively busy another couple years."



Professor Bisom-Rapp Goes to Paris

Thomas Jefferson School of Law Professor Susan Bisom-Rapp will be traveling again to Paris for the second Grey Zone Project colloquium from January 16-18. The Grey Zone Project, or ZOGRIS as it is known in France, is an international research project of more than 30 academics on the ZORGIS research team, which is funded by the French National Research Agency (Agence Nationale Recherche), a research funding organization established in 2005 by the French government.

Kicked off in 2011, the three-year comparative study aims to explore the rise of insecure forms of employment -- independent contracting, temporary employment, leased working, short-term contracts, self-employed freelancers and the like -- in a number of countries including, Brazil, the U.S., France, Germany, Italy, Mexico, and Peru.

“We are exploring the so-called “Gray Zone” of employment – employment that deviates from the traditional norm (e.g. temporary work, part-time work, independent contracting, leased work, etc.) -- and its ramifications,” explained Professor Bisom-Rapp.

Of particular interest is the way these new employment relationships potentially increase inequality between groups of workers, and whether labor and employment laws must be amended to account for and cover those whose work deviates from full-time, long-term employment with a single employer.

The ultimate outcome of the research project will be the publication of at least one book compiling the work of the team.



FACULTY SCHOLARSHIP

Citations Added November 17, 2013 - November 25, 2013

Marjorie Cohn

Presentations:

Legal Challenges to Drone Strikes, Drones Around the Globe: Proliferation and Resistance, CODEPINK, Center for Constitutional Rights, The Nation Magazine, National Lawyers Guild - Georgetown Chapter, Washington DC (November 17, 2013)

Radio:

The Drone Summit, Air Cascadia, KBOO, Portland, Oregon, Nov. 19, 2013.

Radio:

Drones and Targeted Killing, RTV, Russian television, November 18, 2013.



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**Thomas Jefferson School of Law Graduation to be held on Saturday, December 14, 2013
at Copley Symphony Hall 10 a.m.**

The Valedictorian is Tristan Sullivan-Leppa

The Center for Solo Practitioners, Thomas Jefferson's lawyer incubator program, is accepting applications for its 2014 class. The application period will close on December 5, 2013.

Designed specifically and exclusively for Thomas Jefferson School of Law alumni, the TJSL Center for Solo Practitioners supports new solo practitioners as they establish their own law offices. The program encourages new solos to become leaders in their community by developing ways to reach traditionally underserved populations with much-needed legal services.



To apply for the program, candidates must: (1) be admitted to practice in California; (2) be a graduate of TJSL; (3) have a demonstrated commitment to access-to-justice for those in need; (4) be willing to engage in ongoing pro- and low-bono services; (5) work well in intimate settings with a diverse group of individuals; (6) be committed to establishing a solo- or small-firm practice; and (7) be committed to helping underserved populations after completion of the program.

For additional information or an application, email the director of the program, Lilys D. McCoy, at lmccoy@tjssl.edu.

MEDIA WATCH

October 17, 2013

Professor William Slomanson was quoted in the Los Angeles Daily Journal. The story refers to fed consideration of whether to add sexual orientation to gender & race as bases for monitoring void dire in fed cases.

October 21, 2013

[3D printers: The next intellectual property game changer](#) Philly.com

Deven R. Desai from the **Thomas Jefferson School of Law** and Gerard N. Magliocca from Indiana University look at how 3D home printers could change legal guidelines for patent, copyright, and trademark laws and even internet content rules.

October 22, 2013

TJSL professor to be awarded Bullough Book Award .The Daily Transcript **Thomas Jefferson School of Law** Professor Julie Greenberg's book, "Intersexuality and the Law, Why Sex Matters" has earned high praise.

October 28, 2013

<http://www.providencejournal.com/breaking-news/content/20131028-3-d-printers-could-blur-lines-of-patent-laws-and-others.ece>

Professor Deven R. Desai was quoted in the Providence Journal about how 3D home printers could change legal guidelines for patent, copyright, and trademark laws and even internet content rules.

November 1, 2013

Thomas Jefferson School of Law's fifth Employee Rights Self Help Clinic story appeared in The Daily Transcript <http://www.sddt.com/news/article.cfm?SourceCode=20131101czc&t=TJSL+to+hold+employee+rights+clinic+Nov+9#.UngzSPIDt8E>

November 5, 2013

TJSL employee rights clinic set for this Saturday article appeared in the Daily Transcript <http://www.sddt.com/News/article.cfm?SourceCode=20131105tje#.UoFxtflDt8E>

November 16, 2013

Professor Marjorie Cohn appeared on C-Span discussing Legal Challenges to Drone Strikes <http://c-spanvideo.org/program/DroneStrike>

November 21, 2013

TJSL collecting money, supplies for Typhoon Haiyan victims story appeared in the SD Daily Transcript <http://www.sddt.com/News/article.cfm?SourceCode=20131121czc&t=TJSL+collecting+money+supplies+for+Typhoon+Haiyan+victims#.UpOz3cRDt8F>

November 21, 2013

Professor Deven R. Desai was quoted in the New York Times in a story titled Beyond 3-D Printers' Magic, Possible Legal Wrangling. <http://www.nytimes.com/2013/11/24/business/beyond-3-d-printers-magic-possible-legal-wrangling.html?r=0>

November 19, 2013

Thomas Jefferson School of Law's Shannon Laoye was mentioned in SD Dairly Transcript story titled the Earl Gilliam Bar awards scholarships at annual event <http://www.sddt.com/News/article.cfm?SourceCode=20131119tja#.UpPeAcRDt8E>

NOVEMBER 2013

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
24	25	26 SE Final Exam Fall 2013 - Legal Synthesis II	27	28 T Thanksgiving - Holiday	29 T Thanksgiving - Holiday	30
1	2	3 T New Attorney Breakfast & Swearing In 8:30 AM <i>Location:</i> Sheraton San Diego Hotel & Marina, 1380 Harbor Island Drive, San Diego, CA 92101 Room: Grand Ballroom in the Marina Tower	4	5 T Alumni Association Mixer 6:00 PM	6 T Legal Writing Institute Conference 9:00 AM	7 SE Final Exam Fall 2013 - Civil Procedure I 9:00 AM SE Final Exam Fall 2013 - Business Associations 9:00 AM SE Final Exam Fall 2013 - Contracts I - Golden 9:00 AM SE Final Exam Fall 2013 - Evidence - Christensen 2:00 PM SE Final Exam Fall 2013 - Evidence - Atkins 2:00 PM SE Final Exam Fall 2013 - Pre-Bar Fundamentals 2:00 PM

December 2013