



## ***Students Mix It Up with Local Judges***

Every year Superior Court Commissioner Gary Bloch '81 gathers a group of his colleagues from the state and federal benches for a mixer with TJSJ's students and alumni.

It's a chance to meet and greet judges without their robes in a social setting – a golden opportunity for students who have never interacted with judges before.

"It's a chance to see them as human beings," said Lindsay Volk 3L at this year's Alumni Judicial Mixer, held October 18 on the 8th floor. "It's also important for students to meet generations of TJSJ graduates who are succeeding in the legal profession."

One of those successful graduates is Federal District Judge Roger Benitez '78, who was honored by Dean Hasl at the mixer and presented with a framed Thomas Jefferson School of Law diploma, since Judge Benitez graduated when the law school was Western State College of Law in 1978.

"We are proud of your accomplishments as a graduate," Dean Hasl said to Judge Benitez as he presented the diploma. "It's a tribute to your hard work and reputation."

"It's quite an honor," said Judge Benitez, "and it's going to look great on my wall!" He got a lot of enjoyment meeting the current TJSJ students as well. "It's quite nice talking with the students. They are curious and inquisitive."

Jennifer McCollough 3L is just finishing up a clerkship with Judge Benitez, who says he tries to hire an extern out of TJSJ every semester.



Jennifer McCollough 3L and Federal District Judge Roger Benitez '78

"It has been an awesome experience," said McCollough of her clerkship with Judge Benitez. She has just accepted a post-graduate clerkship with a federal judge in Texas.

And Judge Benitez feels that the clerks and externs they've had in federal court compare exceptionally well with law students they've had from around the country. "The people I've picked from this school are as good as any I've seen," he said.



Honorable Tamila Ipema

“Normally you think of judges in a formal, strict environment,” said Stuart Mellman 2L. “It’s great to speak with them in a more relaxed atmosphere.”

Mellman was one of a group of students who spoke with Superior Court Peter Deddeh, who told them about his experiences hearing criminal cases.

“I enjoy talking with the students who are would-be lawyers,” Judge Deddeh said. “One day they may appear in my courtroom.”

Justice Patricia Benke of the Fourth District Court of Appeals also attended in the dual roles of judge and TJSL Trustee. She too says that the court has hired several interns from TJSL and that “the students are amazing. We love the students.”

And the students who attended the mixer loved the event, which attracted 24 judges and quite a few students and alumni.

“It’s great,” said Chase Victorson 2L. “The judges are so available. That’s a real asset to the students. And it’s a chance to showcase TJSL.”



Justice Patricia Benke



## Jessica King '01 in the Spotlight

“TJSL was the perfect school for me,” says King. “I was able to find legal mentors and participate in extra-curricular activities, ensuring that I was ready for the road ahead. TJSL prepared me for work in the corporate sector, in the small firm setting, and for solo practice. I have served on the Chapter 7

Bankruptcy Trustee Panel and now serve as a member of the Wisconsin State Senate. When opportunity knocked, I was ready to take the challenge thanks to TJSL.”

In addition to her full-time job as a State Senator, she also maintains a solo practice doing bankruptcy work for small businesses and consumers.

In August 2012, King was interviewed on National Public Radio’s “Morning Edition” about the tendencies of voters in Wisconsin, allowing her to speak to a national audience. In the interview, King talked about how she believes that Wisconsin is one of the nicest places in the country, with people who look out for each other. And it’s a good place to go if you “want to hear what real people think,” she says.

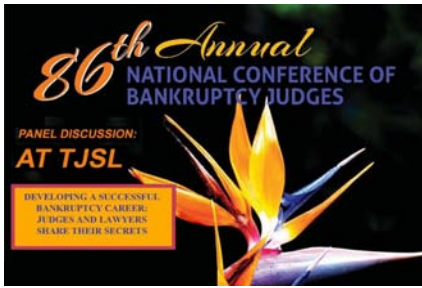


Jessica King '01



King is running for re-election this fall and she reports she is ahead in the polls.

[Click here to view the Alumni “You Can Succeed Video”](#)



## **Federal Bankruptcy Judges to Host Panel for Students at TJSJL on October 24**

If you have thought about a career in bankruptcy law or would like to know more about this area of practice, you will want to attend the panel discussion at TJSJL on Wednesday, October 24, titled “Developing a Successful Bankruptcy Career: Judges and Lawyers Share Their Secrets.”

The National Conference of Bankruptcy Judges (NCBJ) is holding its conference in San Diego from October 24-27, and one of the highlights is the panel at TJSJL on Oct. 24th from 3:30 – 4:45 p.m. in Room 323. Students from all San Diego law schools as well as

business and finance students from San Diego’s undergraduate schools are invited to attend.

Everyone who attends will have the opportunity to meet the panelists and network with judges and attorneys at a reception after the event hosted by the NCBJ-National Bar Association Liaison Committee.

“TJSJL’s bankruptcy and financial law professors are delighted that federal judges attending this year’s annual National Conference of Bankruptcy Judges (NCBJ) have selected us to host part of the conference,” said TJSJL Professor Chris Guzelian.

“This is a rare and outstanding opportunity for all San Diego-area law or business students. Students can network with distinguished federal bankruptcy judges and practitioners and will learn about professional opportunities in the field of creditor and debtor relations.”

**RSVP by Monday, October 22, for the panel and reception with U.S. Bankruptcy Judge Catherine Peek McEwen at [CMCEWEN@FLMB.USCOURTS.GOV](mailto:CMCEWEN@FLMB.USCOURTS.GOV).**



## **Professor Madeline Kass moderated a panel presentation at the ABA’s 20th Fall Section Meeting on Environmental, Energy, and Resources Law in Austin, Texas on October 11.**

The panel, entitled “Wind, Water, Weather & the Endangered Species Act,” brought together a cross-section of speakers presenting on topics including wildlife laws & wind development, the impacts of solar energy development on species, and climate change implications for endangered species regulation.

## ***Legendary Lawyer to Appear at TJS� on October 23***



Michael E. Tigar, who is considered to be one of America's greatest lawyers, will make two presentations at Thomas Jefferson School of Law on Tuesday, October 23, one of which is a cross-examination skills training session from 3 to 5 p.m. in the Moot Courtroom. Tigar, who is Emeritus Professor at Washington College of Law and at Duke Law School, will speak earlier in the day to the TJS� community about "Worker Rights Under Attack: Outsourcing and Globalization" in Room 323 from 11:30 a.m. -12:50 p.m.

"Michael Tigar is one of the most prominent criminal defense attorneys in the United States," said TJS� Professor Marjorie Cohn. "A brilliant speaker, Professor Tigar's work encompasses both incisive legal-political analysis and practice strategies for lawyers. This is a great opportunity to learn from a legal legend."

Professor Tigar has recently worked with labor and community organizations who are seeking a new set of legal protections for worker rights, nationally and globally. In this struggle many of the same themes can be seen that dominate discourse about transnational standards of accountability in other areas – environmental protection, financial fraud, and violation of human rights norms. As a new generation of lawyers prepares for practice, the "new" labor law provides them tools and opportunities.

In the past twenty years, the traditional legal analysis of worker rights has been altered. Labor law, as traditionally understood, is now transnational. Militant unions have worked to organize low wage and vulnerable workers in the United States. Powerful public and private forces, including major multinational corporations, have resisted these campaigns in four ways:

- outsourcing jobs within the United States,
- globalization – sending jobs to foreign countries where worker rights are fragile
- legislation to curtail or eliminate worker rights
- litigation attacks on union organizational campaigns

"Michael Tigar is an incredible speaker and an inspirational attorney," said TJS� Professor Meera Deo. "Faculty, students, alumni, and other local attorneys can all learn so much from his experience. We are fortunate to have him return to TJS�."

The TJS� Center for Law and Social Justice, the TJS� Faculty Colloquium Committee, the National Lawyers Guild-TJS� chapter, and the National Lawyers Guild-San Diego chapter are co-sponsoring these events, which are open to TJS� students, alumni, faculty and staff.

The cross examination skills training also is open to local attorneys and two hours of MCLE credit is available. TO RSVP for the training, please contact: [dgehlken@tjssl.edu](mailto:dgehlken@tjssl.edu).

**See next page for more information about Michael Tigar.**

*Legendary Lawyer to Appear at TJSJ on October 23 continued...*

**About MICHAEL E. TIGAR:**

Michael E. Tigar is Emeritus Professor at Washington College of Law and at Duke Law School. He has taught at several law schools in North America, Europe and Africa. He is a 1966 graduate of Boalt Hall, University of California, Berkeley, where he was first in his class, Editor-in-Chief of the law review and Order of the Coif.

He has authored or co-authored thirteen books, three plays, and scores of articles and essays. He has argued seven cases in the United States Supreme Court, about 100 federal appeals, and has tried cases in all parts of the country in state and federal courts. His latest books are *Trial Stories* (2008) (edited with Angela Jordan Davis), *Thinking About Terrorism: The Threat to Civil Liberties in Times of National Emergency* (2007), and *Nine Principles of Litigation and Life* (2009).

His clients have included Isabel Letelier, the family of Ronni Moffitt, many victims of the Pinochet repression, Angela Davis, H. Rap Brown, John Connally, Kay Bailey Hutchison, the Washington Post, Fantasy Films, Terry Nichols, Allen Ginsberg, Leonard Peltier, the Charleston Five, Fernando Chavez, Karl Dietrich Wolff, and Lynne Stewart. He has represented labor organizations and rank and file workers. He has been Chair of the 60,000 member Section of Litigation of the American Bar Association, and Chair of the Board of Directors of the Texas Resource Center for Capital Litigation.

In his teaching, he has worked with law students in clinical programs where students are counsel or law clerks in significant human rights litigation. He has made several trips to South Africa, working with organizations of African lawyers engaged in the struggle to end apartheid, and after the release of Nelson Mandela from prison, to lecture on human rights issues and to advise the African National Congress on issues in drafting a new constitution. He has been actively involved in efforts to bring to justice members of the Chilean junta, including former President Pinochet. Justice William J. Brennan has written of Mr. Tigar's career that his "tireless striving for justice stretches his arms towards perfection."

Mr. Tigar is listed in Professor John Vile's book, *Great American Lawyers: An Encyclopedia* (2001), as one of 100 "great" lawyers in United States history. In 1999, the California Attorneys for Criminal Justice held a ballot for "Lawyer of the Century." Mr. Tigar was third in the balloting, behind Clarence Darrow and Thurgood Marshall. In 2003, the Texas Civil Rights Project named its new building in Austin, Texas, (purchased with a gift from attorney Wayne Reaud) the "Michael Tigar Human Rights Center."

## Carla McEwen Selected to Give Sentencing Opinion in Major Brazilian Supreme Court Case

There are roughly 800,000 thousand lawyers in Brazil, and only seven of them have been selected to advise Brazil's highest court on the biggest corruption case in that country's history. Only one of the lawyers selected is female and she is Thomas Jefferson School of Law's own Carla McEwen, the director of TJSL's Brazilian Programs. McEwen is also the youngest attorney selected.

The seven attorneys were selected by the Supreme Federal Court judges from a list of 50 names submitted by Brazilian bar associations to write opinions for the judges on the sentencing of the defendants in what is called the Mensalao case.

McEwen believes her association with Thomas Jefferson School of Law is an important part of the reason she was selected.

"Everybody knows TJSL in the Brazilian legal community," McEwen says. It's because of the LEEP Program TJSL operates in cooperation with the Brazilian legal system. LEEP (Legal Education and Exchange Program) has brought dozens of Brazilian attorneys to TJSL to study the U.S. legal system.

A number of TJSL faculty also have been on goodwill missions to Brazil, including Professor Thom Golden, who even had a chance to meet with the country's acting president while he was there.

Professor Golden made a lot of new friends for TJSL, according to McEwen. "He is a big hit in Brazil, I can tell you that," she says.

There were a total of 37 defendants in the Mensalao case, which involved a system of bribery where members of the ruling party were literally buying votes from members of other parties in the National Congress. Some of the defendants were found not guilty, but the majority were convicted.

McEwen and the other six lawyers will be reviewing the guilty verdict decisions of the Supreme Court judges and writing opinions on the sentencing for those who were convicted. "We have our voice as attorneys," McEwen says. "The opinions are non-binding, but will carry weight with the court in the final sentences."

"I will do my duty as an officer of the law," McEwen says, noting that even though many defendants may be guilty of the same crime, some may receive different sentences.



"The greater the degree of power, the greater the responsibility and the greater the sentence will be for misconduct."

McEwen is a member of the Sao Paulo Bar Association, the largest in Brazil, and says she has no conflicts of interest with the convicted defendants, who are some of the most powerful names in Brazilian politics.

"I have learned quite a bit about the American justice system while here at TJSL," McEwen says.

"They wanted someone from outside the country who has a different perspective and knows U.S. concepts of justice."

McEwen traveled to Brazil on October 18 and the sentencing will take place this week in the country's capital, Brasilia.

[Click here to watch the LEEP Program video](#)

## TJSL's La Raza Scholarship Winners

The San Diego La Raza Lawyers Association Scholarship Awards Dinner brought together members of the Latino legal community for an evening of recognition on Friday, October 19, at The Hard Rock Hotel in Downtown San Diego.

Four TJSL students were honored with scholarships: Ricardo Elorza '1L, Aldo Gallardo '1L, Edith Polanco '1L, and Veronica Carrillo '2L, received several thousand dollars in scholarships that will go towards their legal education.

"Being a first-generation high school and college graduate, my family and community back home in Los Angeles sent me off to law school with great expectations and dreams," said Ricardo Elorza 1L. "Receiving La Raza San Diego Lawyers Association Scholarship means that then strangers invested in those same expectations and dreams. Now strangers no more, La Raza San Diego Lawyers Association has become part of my family and community in San Diego. With this scholarship I am a step closer in becoming an attorney—a dream that has been ten years in the making."

"Emigrating from Lima, Peru, when the age of five, I grew up in a working-class, monolingual home, and my family and I faced sociocultural, linguistic, and economic struggles many immigrants and new Americans experience," said Aldo Gallardo 1L. "As an undergraduate at Northwestern University, I was a student leader in creating an inclusive and safe space for all students, which sparked my interest in law and social justice. This scholarship is meaningful to me because it supports the immigration law, advocacy, and anti-discrimination work I hope to do after law school. I am honored to be recognized for my work with the Latina/o community and humbled to be supported by a group of legal professionals I aspire to be like."

"The scholarship I received from SDLRLA will help maintain my educational debt low, so I can focus on my goals of serving the underprivileged community after I graduate," said Edith Polanco 1L.

"I am very blessed to have received a scholarship from an organization that strives for the betterment of the Latino community," said Veronica Carrillo 2L. "My family has struggled financially and is not in a position to fund my education. This scholarship will alleviate some of the costs associated with attending law school and places me closer to a career in public interest. I hope to one day be in position where I am able to give back and support students who have struggled pursuing higher education."



Left to Right:  
Edith Polanco '1L, Aldo Gallardo '1L,  
Ricardo Elorza '1L, Veronica Carrillo '2L.

This year's keynote speaker was Thomas Saenz, who serves as the Mexican American Legal Defense and Education Fund's (MALDEF) President and General Counsel.

Formed in 1979, the San Diego La Raza Lawyers Association represents more than 300 Latino lawyers in San Diego County and strives to advance the cause of equality, empowerment and justice through service and advocacy.

# Great Grad Fair!



It's when graduation suddenly seems real for the first time – when you put on a cap & gown and step in front of the camera to have your graduation photo taken.

That was the main event at the grad fair on October 18 in the Student Lounge.

But for some December graduates, it was unreal at the same time, like for Kristen Capps 3L. "It's really weird," she said as she put on a cap and gown for her photo. "It doesn't seem real yet."

"It's surreal, but it's exciting," said Jessica Lockett 3L. "It seems like just yesterday that I packed my bags and headed west."



Jessica Lockett 3L

"It's about time," said Dave Barberi 3L. "But still, it doesn't seem as long as it has been (three years). It's time to move on to bigger and better things."



Dave Barberi 3L

In addition to the graduation photos, the grad fair offered information on the Job Search Event presented by Career Services on Tuesday, October 23, a Live Scan station for electronic fingerprinting (for background checks), and a chance to order custom displays and framing for your diploma.

"This is a glorious event," said Career Services Assistant Director Angela Bayne, feeling proud and parental at the same

time. "These are happy times and it takes me right to the ceremony. That's a good feeling."

Graduation will be held on December 15 at Copley Symphony Hall in Downtown San Diego



Kristen Capps 3L. "





Professors William Slomanson and Maurice Dyson honored student Sajad Husain at CLIMB's Culture Night on Thursday, Oct. 18, with an award for his contributions to the creation of the CLIMB Program at TJSJ.

CLIMB, which stands for the Crawford Legal Institute & Mentorship Bond is a program under TJSJ's Diversity Committee. In the CLIMB program, TJSJ students work very closely with Crawford High School students and become role models and mentors to them. Crawford students are frequently invited to Culture Night events on campus and TJSJ students and professors often visit the Crawford campus to speak to and interact with the high schoolers.

## TJSJ Professors Honor CLIMB's "Mr. Sid"

The award presented to Husain reads, "As the founding member of CLIMB your countless hours of hard work and dedication assisted in the creation of a program that actively contributes to the empowerment of the youth at Crawford High School through providing mentorship, leadership, and professional development. Your exceptional ability to inspire and lead was instrumental in the creation and implementation of the eight different sub-programs within CLIMB. 2010-2012".

Husain, who is known around TJSJ as "Mr. Sid," expressed surprise at receiving the award and praised others for contributing to the success of CLIMB.

"I did not expect to receive this honor and I really appreciate it," said Husain. "It was due to the brilliance of Professors Slomanson and Dyson that CLIMB was created.

It was the work of Clinton Minus, who assisted with the creation of CLIMB and managed all of the programs and Program Leads as the Program Coordinator from October of 2010 until Fall of 2012.

It was Alex Partida, CLIMB's Youth Empowerment Coordinator, who took my philosophical and visionary thoughts and put them into words and programs on paper. It was Diana Vasquez, the current Executive Consultant of CLIMB, who did all of the marketing as CLIMB's Marketing Coordinator. And last, but not least, it was the work of Rosanna Barajas, one of the five founding members of CLIMB, who held everything together and kept everything organized as the Administrative Lead of CLIMB."

Husain also acknowledges other TJSJ support, including the Diversity Committee, Events, Communications, Admissions, Financial Aid, the Academic Support Staff (Donna Gehlken, in particular), IT and the many professors and other TJSJ students who have made CLIMB a successful program.

"The Crawford-TJSJ CLIMB project got off the ground, and continues to flourish, because of the behind the scenes guidance provided by Sajad Husain," said Professor Slomanson. "We, and the youth of Crawford, owe a huge thank you to 'Mr. Sid'."

"Mr. Sid has been a committed and consistent presence in the lives of CLIMB students and has earned their admiration and respect", said Professor Maurice Dyson. "He has made a significant impact upon them and with CLIMB's ambitious initiatives, organization and law student volunteers."

"CLIMB is changing the world by empowering the lives of young people of color who are not being provided with an equal opportunity to succeed in life," explains Husain. "If you want to change the world, and make a name for yourself at TJSJ and in the community, join CLIMB.

If you are interested in providing equality in opportunity, please contact Lee Vernon, the Program Coordinator of CLIMB."

## An announcement from Alex Kreit the Director of the Center for Law and Social Justice



The Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights Under Law, the San Diego offices of DLA Piper, California Common Cause and the American Civil Liberties Union need your assistance on Election Day, November 6!

The Election Protection program is the nation's largest, *nonpartisan*, voter protection coalition and ensures that eligible voters across the country are guaranteed their right to cast a ballot on Election Day.

They are looking for attorneys, paralegals, law students and other interested volunteers to serve as nonpartisan poll monitors in San Diego County on November 6th. As a poll monitor you will identify and troubleshoot any issues confronting voters and you will have support

from the attorneys on the national Election Protection hotline and the San Diego command center at DLA Piper.

Volunteers must attend a 90 minute training the week before the election and sign-up for at least one, 4-5 hour shift on Election Day.

Shifts will begin as early as 6:30 a.m., so it's easy to volunteer and still get to work at a decent hour.

To volunteer, sign-up for a training and one or more Election Day shifts at <http://volunteer.866ourvote.org>.

For your convenience you will see that they have midday, evening and weekend training options.

Lawyers, law students and law firms, please contact Nancy Anderson, Director of Pro Bono at Lawyers Committee, at 202-662-8354 or [banderson@lawyerscommittee.org](mailto:banderson@lawyerscommittee.org)

### Writing Center Workshops

***Want to Study Smarter, Not Harder? Don't miss the rest of the Writing Center Workshops with Professor Cooper!***

#### **A is for Application**

Thurs, 10/25 at 11:30 AM  
Room 227

#### **Moving On After Miserable Midterms**

Thurs, 11/1 at 11:30 AM  
Room 227

#### **Legal Writing: The Basics**

Thurs, 11/8 at 11:30 AM  
Room 227

#### **Countdown to Final Exams**

Thurs, 11/15 @ 11:30 AM  
Room 227

#### **Creating an Exam Approach**

Tues, 11/20 @ 11:30 AM  
Room TBD

### MPRE Workshop

**Thursday, October 25  
6 - 9 p.m.**

*Location Moot Court Room*

*Live MPRE lecture provided by Themis Bar Review.*

*Students must arrive by 5:30 p.m. to receive free books and materials.*

### SBA Halloween Party

**Friday, October 26.  
9 p.m.**

This year's Party will be held at one of the newest and most exciting nightclub in San Diego, at the Pussycat Doll's Dollhouse Nightclub!

TJSL students receive an exclusive VIP area with our own entrance.

Tickets will be sold for \$25 each, including two drink tickets and entry into the club.

**This Event is Almost Sold Out!**

## An announcement from Alex Kreit the Director of the Center for Law and Social Justice



The American Bar Association's Criminal Justice Section is continuing the "Citizen Amicus Project" in an effort to get law students to contribute to the national dialogue about the Fourth Amendment.

[http://www.americanbar.org/groups/criminal\\_justice/citizen\\_amicus.html](http://www.americanbar.org/groups/criminal_justice/citizen_amicus.html)

The 2012 Project focuses on the Fourth Amendment issues raised by law enforcement's warrantless use of trained narcotics dogs to detect narcotics from the outside of a home. This term the Supreme Court will hear *Florida v. Jardines*, a case that questions whether law enforcement's use of narcotic detection dogs in front of a home, without a warrant, violates the homeowner's Fourth Amendment right to be free from unreasonable searches.

The Supreme Court will review whether a dog sniff at the front door of a suspected grow house by a trained narcotics detection dog is a Fourth Amendment search requiring probable cause? **Oral argument is October 31, 2012.**

The American Bar Association's Criminal Justice Section believe law students have valuable insights to share about the question of an objective expectation of privacy.

*The top three filings will earn the American Bar Association's Criminal Justice Citizen Amicus Project recognition. The first place winner will receive \$500 and strong consideration of having his/her submission included in the Criminal Justice Section newsletter. The second and third place winners will receive a recognition plaque.*

*Submissions must be received before the Supreme Court issues its decision in the case.*

**Are you interested in pursuing a Certificate in Law and Social Justice?** If you are a 1L or 2L interested in social justice, please consider signing up for TJSJ's Certificate in Law and Social Justice. To find out more information and to enroll in the program, visit the Center's webpage:

<http://www.tjsl.edu/law-social-justice>.

**Proposition 34  
Debate October 22,  
6 - 7:30 p.m.,  
Room 227**

This November, Californians will be voting on Proposition 34, a ballot measure that would repeal the death penalty and replace it with life without parole. Come to hear the arguments on both sides as Justin Brooks (Director of the California Innocence Project) and Brenda Daly (Deputy District Attorney) debate the proposal. The debate will be moderated by TJSJ's Professor Rod Smith.

## Phi Alpha Delta's Wine, Cheese & Judges' Pet Peeves

**Friday, November 2  
6:30 p.m. Room 323**

### **Networking Reception to follow on the Eighth Floor**

P.A.D. presents its annual soiree that offers students the opportunity to network directly with members of the local judiciary. Those who wear the black robes will compose a panel eager to drop the gavel on bad court room behavior, divulging their biggest courtroom pet peeves. Students will have the chance to ask questions of the judges that may save them face upon their first appearance before the bench. Following the panel, attendees will have the opportunity to network with the judges and practicing attorneys at a catered reception on the eighth floor. RSVP to Javier Vargas at [vargasja@tjsl.edu](mailto:vargasja@tjsl.edu). For more information about P.A.D., please visit: [www.tjsl.edu/phialphadelta](http://www.tjsl.edu/phialphadelta).

## The Jeffersonian

*The Jeffersonian:* If you would like to write for the ONLY Student-Run Newspaper on campus, please email Kevin Donovan ([donovakk@tjsl.edu](mailto:donovakk@tjsl.edu)), Editor-in-Chief, cc, Lindsey-Shannon Lee ([leelo@tjsl.edu](mailto:leelo@tjsl.edu)), Managing Editor. This is a great opportunity to write about your passions and concerns.

Please send all Objections, thoughts and comments to: [www.tjsl.edu/the-jeffersonian/objections](http://www.tjsl.edu/the-jeffersonian/objections)



# FACULTY SCHOLARSHIP

**October 14, 2012 - October 20, 2012**

## **Marjorie Cohn**

### **Presentations:**

*The Human Right to Peace*, National Lawyers Guild Convention, Pasadena, California (October 12, 2012)

### **Radio:**

Supreme Court oral arguments in *Fisher v. University of Texas* affirmative action case, Letters and Politics, KPFA, Berkeley, CA

## **Madeline Kass**

### **Presentations:**

Moderator, *Wind, Water, Weather & Endangered Species Act*, ABA's 20th Fall Section Meeting on Environmental, Energy, and Resources Law, Austin, TX, October 11, 2012

## **The MPRE is November 3, 2012. Are you ready?**

**TJSL is Holding a MPRE Review Workshop on Thursday, October 25, 6 to 9 p.m. in the Moot Court Room. No food or drink permitted in the Moot Court Room.**

“Live” MPRE Lecture provided by Themis Bar Review.

Students must arrive by 5:30 p.m. to receive free books and materials.\*\*

Whether you're taking the MPRE now or in the spring, or whether you simply want to begin reviewing your Professional Responsibility Rules now, this is a great opportunity. Please take advantage of these courses!

For more information, contact Leah Christensen, Dean of Academic Success and Bar Preparation at [lchristensen@tjssl.edu](mailto:lchristensen@tjssl.edu).



# 86<sup>th</sup> Annual

## NATIONAL CONFERENCE OF BANKRUPTCY JUDGES

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**DEVELOPING A SUCCESSFUL  
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JUDGES AND LAWYERS  
SHARE THEIR SECRETS**

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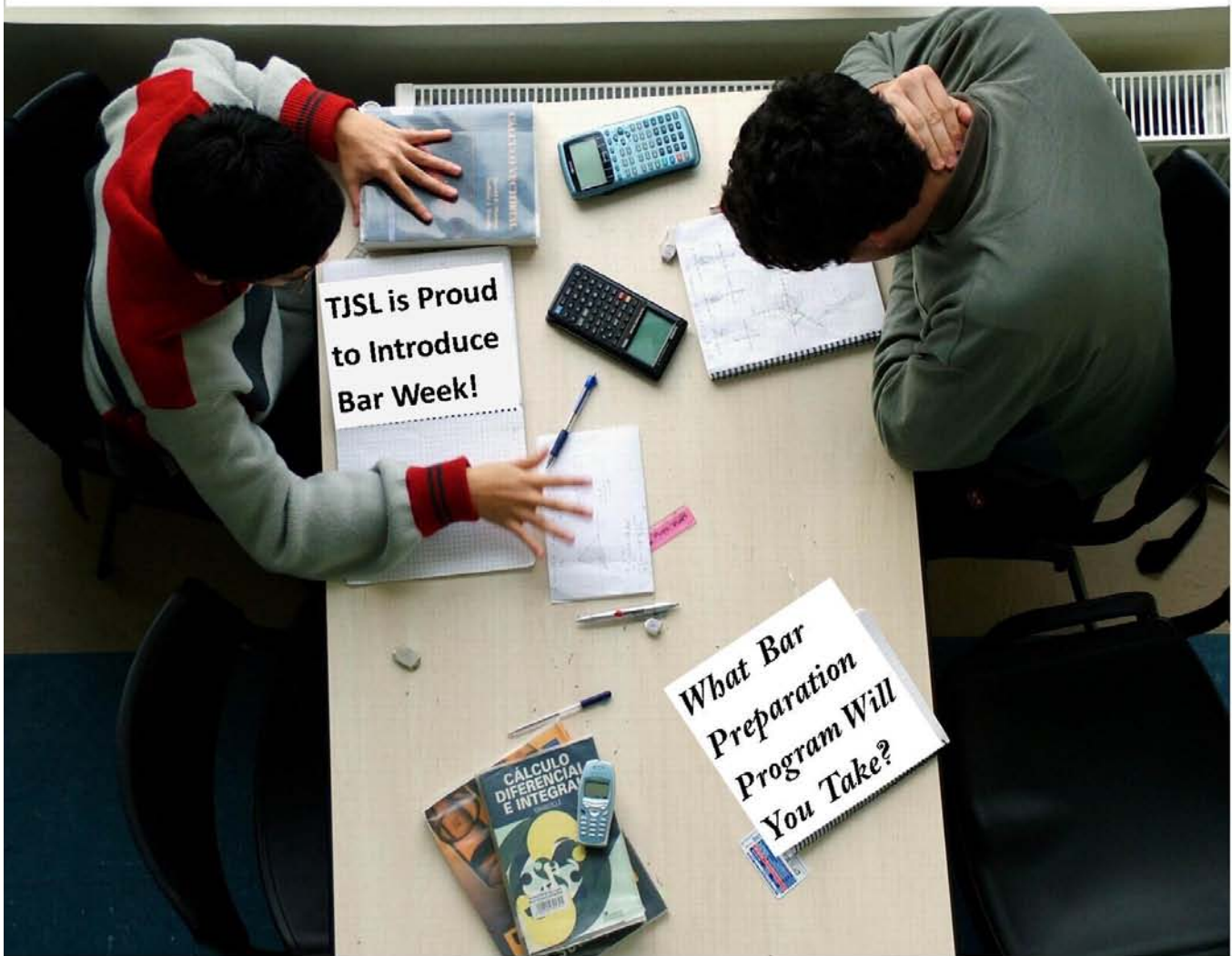
*ROOM 323*

*Wednesday, October 24, 2012  
3:30-4:45 p.m.,  
followed by a reception until 6 p.m.*

*RSVP BY OCTOBER 22, 2012 TO  
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# Got Bar Prep Questions?



During the week of October 22-29  
TJSL will host the major bar preparation providers at our school to  
answer your questions.

**Monday, October 22, 2012: Themis**

**Tuesday, October 23, 2012: Barbri**

**Wednesday, October 24, 2012: Flemings**

**Thursday, October 25, 2012: Bar Secrets**

**Monday, October 29, 2012: Kaplan**

**Tuesday, October 30, 2012: BarMax**

The bar providers will be located at a table on the first floor  
in the Lobby during the hours of 10 a.m. & 3 p.m.

For more information, contact Leah Christensen at

[lchristensen@tjsl.edu](mailto:lchristensen@tjsl.edu).



# **INTERNATIONAL LAW SOCIETY**

**THOMAS JEFFERSON SCHOOL OF LAW**

## **SECOND GENERAL MEETING**

**October 22nd  
12:00 pm to 12:50 pm  
Room 316**

Join ILS for a presentation on obtaining international law internships abroad and steps to take in the path to working in international law.

Lunch and refreshments provided.

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CAREER SERVICES PRESENTS...

# CAREERS IN THE DEA AND FBI



**MONDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2012**

**ROOM 229**

**4:30PM - 5:30PM**

**SPECIAL AGENTS AND RECRUITING OFFICERS WILL BE ON CAMPUS TO PROVIDE INFORMATION ON CAREERS IN THE FBI AND DEA AND HOW TO APPLY.**

**FBI** - INVESTIGATES THE MOST DANGEROUS CRIMINAL AND SECURITY THREATS FACING OUR COUNTRY, DOMESTICALLY AND INTERNATIONALLY. THEY CURRENTLY HAVE JURISDICTION OVER VIOLATIONS IN MORE THAN 250 CATEGORIES OF FEDERAL LAW.

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**TO ATTEND, PLEASE RSVP IN THE EVENT TAB OF SYMPPLICITY.**

FOR QUESTIONS, PLEASE CONTACT CAREER SERVICES,  
CAREERSERVICES@TJSL.EDU OR 619-961-4233.





**Legendary Lawyer Michael Tigar**  
**Tuesday, October 23**  
**11:30 a.m. - 12:50 p.m. Room 323**  
**3 - 5 p.m. Moot Courtroom**



**Michael E. Tigar, who is considered to be one of America's greatest lawyers, will make two presentations at Thomas Jefferson School of Law on Tuesday, October 23, one of which is a cross-examination skills training session from 3 to 5 p.m. in the Moot Courtroom.**

**Tigar, who is Emeritus Professor at Washington College of Law and at Duke Law School, will speak earlier in the day about "Worker Rights Under Attack: Outsourcing and Globalization" in Room 323 from 11:30 a.m. - 12:50 p.m.**

**Both events are free and open to everyone.**

**MCLE credit is available for attorneys who attend the training session.**

**The TJSL Center for Law and Social Justice, the TJSL Faculty Colloquium Committee, the National Lawyers Guild-TJSL chapter, and the National Lawyers Guild-San Diego chapter will be co-sponsoring these events.**



# ATTENTION DECEMBER GRADUATES



## CAREER SERVICES PRESENTS: JOB SEARCH FOR DECEMBER GRADUATES

Attendance at this information session is mandatory for all December Graduates. Please choose a session to attend and RSVP in the events tab in Symplicity. Food will be provided.

**TUESDAY, OCTOBER 23**

**AM SESSION: 11:30~12:30 IN ROOM 325**

OR

**PM SESSION: 4:45~5:45 IN ROOM 323**

For more information contact Career Services at Ext. 4233 or [careerservices@tjssl.edu](mailto:careerservices@tjssl.edu)

**THE NORTH SAN DIEGO COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION INVITES  
YOU TO THE 3<sup>RD</sup> ANNUAL NEW STUDENT & NEW LAWYER**



**MIXER**

**OCTOBER 23, 2012**

**5:30 P.M. – 7:30 P.M.**

*Networking  
&  
Advice*

*Meet new  
people*

**ATTENTION NEW AND  
CURRENT LAW  
STUDENTS**

*Learn how the  
NSDCBA can help  
your career!!!!*

*Food and Drinks*

Please join us for hosted food and drinks at the Firefly Grill and Winebar located at  
251 North El Camino Real Encinitas, CA 92024



Questions or to RSVP:

Jennifer S. Creighton, Esq.

by email: [jscreighton@wpwlaw.com](mailto:jscreighton@wpwlaw.com)





The Thomas Jefferson Chapters of the National Lawyers Guild and Criminal Law Society proudly present...

## **Juan Melendez: My Life on Death Row**

**Wednesday, October 24th on the 8th Floor**

**5:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.**

Dinner will be provided to those who RSVP to National Lawyers Guild at [nlg@tjisl.edu](mailto:nlg@tjisl.edu) or Criminal Law Society at [cls@tjisl.edu](mailto:cls@tjisl.edu).

Join NLG and CLS in welcoming Mr. Melendez who was wrongfully convicted of murder and spent 17 years on death row. Hear Mr. Melendez tell his personal story and discuss issues surrounding the death penalty. This talk is especially relevant as Proposition 34 on the California ballot calls for the repeal of the death penalty for persons found guilty of murder and replaces it with life imprisonment without the possibility of parole.





**ASIAN PACIFIC AMERICAN  
LAW STUDENT ASSOCIATION**

THOMAS JEFFERSON SCHOOL OF LAW

**APALSA BOWLING**

**MENTOR/MENTEE MIXER**

**THURSDAY, OCTOBER 25**

**5:00PM**

**EAST VILLAGE TAVERN AND BOWL**

**930 MARKET STREET**

**JOIN US FOR SOME FUN BOWLING! BRING  
YOUR FIT CARD FOR FREE SHOE RENTALS!**



## Immigration Law Society

*Proudly presents this year's first*

### **“Careers in Immigration Law” Attorney Panel**

*Followed by*

### **Reception on the 8<sup>th</sup> Floor**

- *When:* Thursday, October 25<sup>th</sup>
- *Time & Location:*
  - Panel: Room 229 @ 6pm - 7:30pm
  - Reception: 8<sup>th</sup> floor @ 7:30pm - 9pm

**CONTACT US**

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Website – <http://ilstjsl.wix.com/main>

Facebook – <https://www.facebook.com/ils.tjssl.9>

THE NATIONAL  
**LGBT BAR**  
ASSOCIATION | AN AFFILIATE OF THE  
AMERICAN BAR ASSOCIATION

**On Thursday, October 25, 2012, please join the  
National LGBT Bar Association as we honor**

**Tristan Higgins**

Director, Law Department  
Sony Electronics Inc.

**SONY**



at the **Out & Proud Corporate Counsel Award Reception**

Thursday, October 25, 2012 | 6:00-8:00 p.m.

**Hotel Palomar**

1047 5th Avenue

San Diego, California

The Out & Proud Corporate Counsel Award Receptions give LGBT legal professionals and their straight allies the opportunity to honor distinguished colleagues who have worked hard to increase LGBT diversity awareness in the corporate office and in the community. These receptions provide a business casual environment for corporate counsel of all levels to gather and network toward the betterment of diversity in the legal profession.

For sponsorship opportunities and general admission tickets,  
please contact Kelly Simon at (202) 637-7661 or

[Kelly@LGBTbar.org](mailto:Kelly@LGBTbar.org).

Professor Joy Delman and the  
Law Students for Reproductive Justice  
invite you to Planned Parenthood Action Fund of the  
Pacific Southwest Rally for Women's Health on October 26

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**RALLY**  
FOR WOMEN'S HEALTH WITH

**Sandra Fluke**



when: Friday, Oct. 26 @ noon  
where: Balboa Park (6th and Laurel St.)  
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Find us on Facebook:  
<http://www.facebook.com/PPAction>

Last February, Georgetown Law Student **Sandra Fluke** gained national attention when congressional Republicans refused to allow her to testify before a House committee about the importance of affordable and accessible birth control for women. Instead, the committee heard from a panel of five men discussing women's reproductive health, a stunning image which sparked a national debate that continues to dominate American politics. Eventually Ms. Fluke was allowed to give her testimony to a different Congressional committee, but she was then subjected to inflammatory statements by national talk radio host Rush Limbaugh and other conservative commentators and politicians.



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# HALLOWEEN PARTY 2012

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OCTOBER 26, 2012 @ 9 P.M.

TWO FLOOR EXCLUSIVE VIP AREA

PRIVATE DJ

ALL NIGHT DRINK SPECIALS

COSTUME COMPETITION WITH PRIZES

**Tickets \$25 include VIP entry & 2 drinks**

Sold on 2nd & 3rd Floors by Stairs

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# A Question of Rights & Marriage

Over four months of book discussions, lectures and films throughout the San Diego Public Library, "Searching for Democracy: A Public Conversation about the Constitution" will bring our diverse community together to discuss the meaning of democracy in the United States, both historically and for the future.

## Panel Discussion

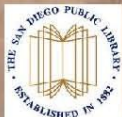
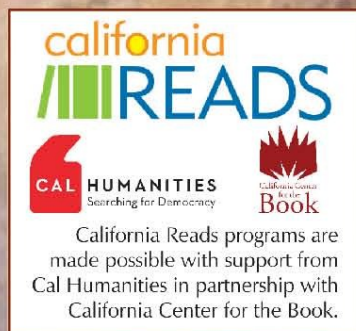
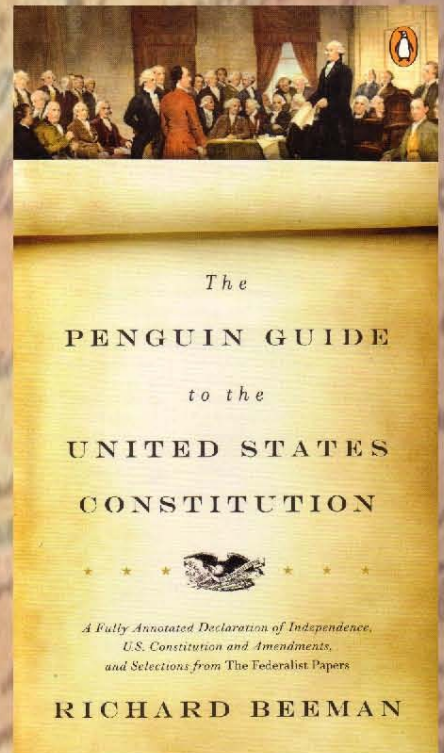
**FREE** (first come, first served seating)

**Saturday, October 27th**

**1:00pm-2:30pm**

Please join moderator, Dr. Danell Scarborough of the City of San Diego's Human Relations Commission and speakers professors Bryan Wildenthal of the Thomas Jefferson School of Law, Steven Smith of the University of San Diego Law School and independent scholar, Dr. Pat Washington, for a discussion forum on marriage equality.

Malcolm X Branch Library  
5148 Market St San Diego, CA 92114 619-527-3405



This information will be provided in alternative formats upon request.

**Come join Professor Brenda Simon's  
Patent Law Class,  
The Center for Law and IP, and  
The IP Law Association for**

The  
United  
States  
of  
America

**Patent Practitioner  
Jim Cleary  
from  
Mintz Levin**



**How to Establish a Great IP  
Practice in 10 Easy Steps:  
A Practical Guide From an  
Attorney in the Trenches**

**Tuesday, October 30, 2012  
11:30– 12:50 p.m. ~ Room 227**

*For more information and to R.S.V.P.,  
contact Derek Midkiff, IPLA Secretary, at  
[Midkifdl@TJSL.edu](mailto:Midkifdl@TJSL.edu)*

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In observance of

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THROUGH THE MONTH OF  
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- STUDENT ORG OFFICE  
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MON.-THURS. LUNCHTIME  
ON THE 3RD FLOOR**

## **The SBLC is now accepting applications for Spring 2013!**

*The application deadline is November 1, 2012*

If you are interested in transactional law and working with entrepreneurs, small businesses, and nonprofit organizations, now is the time to apply for a certified law student position in the SBLC. As certified law student, you will provide legal assistance to San Diego County residents who do not have the means to hire legal counsel. Students must devote 15 or 20 hours a week to client work and attend a mandatory weekly seminar. A minimal commitment of 5 units is required to participate in the SBLC.

### **Pre-Requisites**

- Successfully complete first year of law school.
- Successfully complete Professional Responsibility and Business Associations.
- Successfully complete or currently enroll in Civil Procedure II and Evidence.
- No major commitments to extracurricular organizations.
- Preference given to students with prior legal work experience

### **Application**

To apply for a position for the Spring 2013, please submit a formal letter addressed to Professor Luz Herrera indicating your interest in working with the SBLC.

Please submit the letter, a resume, and an unofficial transcript to [bnieman@tjssl.edu](mailto:bnieman@tjssl.edu) no later than November 1, 2012. For additional information about what to include in your formal letter, please visit [www.tjssl.edu/clinics/sblc](http://www.tjssl.edu/clinics/sblc).



# ART & ENTERTAINMENT LAW PROJECT



**The AELP is now accepting applications for Spring 2013!**

*The application deadline is November 1, 2012*

If you are interested in transactional law and working with artists, actors, dancers, writers, musicians, filmmakers and related non-profit organizations, now is the time to apply for a certified law student position in the Art and Entertainment Law Project (AELP). As an AELP student, you will provide legal assistance to San Diego County residents who do not have the means to hire legal counsel. You will devote 15 or 20 hours a week to client work and attend a mandatory weekly seminar. The total number of units you can earn is 5 or 6, at your choosing.

## **Requirements**

- Successfully complete Professional Responsibility
- Successfully complete or currently enrolled in Civil Procedure II and Evidence
- Successfully complete first year of law school
- No major commitments to extracurricular organizations

## **Application**

To apply for a position submit a statement of interest indicating your interest in working with the AELP, a resume, and an unofficial transcript to [bnieman@tjsl.edu](mailto:bnieman@tjsl.edu). For additional information about what to include in your statement of interest, please visit [www.tjsl.edu/clinics/art-entertainment-law](http://www.tjsl.edu/clinics/art-entertainment-law).

# PATENT CLINIC

**The Patent Clinic is now accepting applications for Spring 2013!**

*The application deadline is November 1, 2012*

If you are interested in working with individuals or organizations having patentable ideas, now is the time to apply for a certified law student position in the Patent Clinic. As a Patent Clinic student, you will provide legal assistance to those not having the means to hire their own patent attorney. You will devote up to 20 hours a week performing client work and additionally attend a mandatory weekly seminar. The credit hours you receive for the Patent Clinic can total up to 6 units.

## Requirements

- Qualifying undergraduate degree for U.S. Patent Office patent practice
- Successful completion of first year of law school
- Successful completion of Professional Responsibility  
(Spring 2013 semester only - may take PR concurrently with Patent Clinic)
- Successful completion or concurrent enrollment in Civil Procedure II and Evidence
- No major commitments to extracurricular organizations

## Application

To apply for a position, please submit the following to [bnieman@tjsl.edu](mailto:bnieman@tjsl.edu): a formal letter addressed to Professor Ross L. Franks describing your interest in working with the patent clinic, a resume, an unofficial TJSL transcript, and an unofficial undergraduate transcript. For additional information about what to include in your formal letter, please visit [www.tjsl.edu/clinics/patent-clinic](http://www.tjsl.edu/clinics/patent-clinic).

# TRADEMARK CLINIC

**The Trademark Clinic is now accepting applications for  
Spring 2013!**

*The application deadline is November 1, 2012*

If you are interested in working with artists, entrepreneurs, small businesses and non-profit organizations in the trademark legal area, now is the time to apply for a certified law student position in the Trademark Clinic. As a Trademark Clinic student, you will provide legal assistance to San Diego County residents who do not have the means to hire legal counsel. You will devote 15 or 20 hours a week to client work and attend a weekly seminar. The total hours you devote to the SBLC can amount to 5 or 6 units.

## **Requirements**

- Successfully complete Professional Responsibility
- Successfully complete or currently enrolled in Civil Procedure II and Evidence
- Successfully complete first year of law school
- No major commitments to extracurricular organizations

## **Application**

To apply for a position submit a formal letter addressed to Professor Tim Dennison indicating your interest in working with the trademark clinic, a resume, and an unofficial transcript to [bnieman@tjssl.edu](mailto:bnieman@tjssl.edu). For additional information about what to include in your formal letter, please visit [www.tjssl.edu/clinics/trademark-clinic](http://www.tjssl.edu/clinics/trademark-clinic).



# ATTN: First Semester 1Ls

## MANDATORY

### CAREER SERVICES ORIENTATION

The Career Services Orientation will provide you with an overview of the job search process. You will also receive our extensive Career Services Handbook. After you attend the Orientation, you may schedule your first individual counseling session with a member of the Career Services staff. Food will be provided.

YOU MUST ATTEND ONE OF THE FOLLOWING SESSIONS:

- . THURSDAY, NOV. 1ST - 11:30AM-12:30PM, RM 325
- . MONDAY, NOV. 5TH - 11:30AM -12:30PM, RM 227
- . MONDAY, NOV. 5TH - 4:30PM-5:30PM, RM 229

TO ATTEND, RSVP IN THE EVENTS TAB IN SYMPPLICITY.

Contact Career Services for help logging on to

Symplicity, [careerservices@tjsl.edu](mailto:careerservices@tjsl.edu) or 619-961-4233.



# Alternative Dispute Resolution Team

## Informational Meetings

**November 1, 2012**

**12pm Room 323 &  
6pm Room 229**

**Who are we?**

The ADR Team teaches invaluable skills in the legal arena related to negotiation and mediation. Members are introduced to bargaining techniques, negotiation strategy, and theory. Members will also have the chance to meet professional negotiators in the industry, and compete in negotiation and mediation competitions across the country.

**What:** Hear from current members and get feedback; witness a short spar; and have your questions answered

**When:** November 1, 2012

**Times:** Room 323 12pm-1pm and  
Room 229 6pm-7pm

**Questions:** [adr@tjst.edu](mailto:adr@tjst.edu)

*Refreshments will be provided*

Best Chapter in the Nation 2011-2012

# PHI ALPHA DELTA



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# WINE, CHEESE, & JUDGES' PET PEEVES

*Network with the members of the local Judiciary  
as they drop the gavel on bad courtroom behavior!*

**FRIDAY, NOVEMBER, 2, 2012**

**6:30 P.M. IN ROOM 323**

Please RSVP to [vargasja@tjssl.edu](mailto:vargasja@tjssl.edu)

\*\*\*\$10 for non-PAD members\*\*\*

**FORMAL RECEPTION TO  
FOLLOW ON  
THE 8TH FLOOR**

For more info, please visit [tjssl.edu/phialphadelta](http://tjssl.edu/phialphadelta) or email [pad@tjssl.edu](mailto:pad@tjssl.edu)

# October

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>21</p> <p>SBA Twitter Information Please follow SBA at <a href="http://twitter.com/tjlsba">http://twitter.com/tjlsba</a> or @tjlsba if you use Twitter to receive the latest updates.</p> 	<p>22</p>	<p>23</p>  <p><b>Legendary Lawyer Michael Tigar</b> 11:30 a.m. - 12:50 p.m. Room 323 3 - 5 p.m. Moot Courtroom</p>	<p>24</p> <p><i>Wine &amp; Refine Mixer to Hone Your Networking Skills</i> 5:30 - 7:30 Location: Vin De Syrah 901 5th Ave. SD 92101 For more information contact Carla <a href="mailto:carlawsander-son@gmail.com">carlawsander-son@gmail.com</a> or Gayani <a href="mailto:w.gayani@gmail.com">w.gayani@gmail.com</a>.</p> 	<p>25</p> <p><b>MPRE Review Workshop 6 - 9</b> Moot Court Room. Students must arrive by 5:30 p.m. to receive free books and materials.</p>	<p>26</p> <p>9 p.m.</p> 	<p>27</p>
<p>28</p> <p>Don't forget to check us out on the TJSLS Official Facebook page!</p> 	<p>29</p>	<p>30`</p> <p><b>Happy Halloween</b></p> 	<p>31</p>	<p>November 1</p> <p>6:30 p.m. Room 323</p> 	<p>2</p>	<p>3</p>
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