Monthly Highlights – November 2017

Please check the online calendar for meetings and events scheduled at the Law Center:  [LINK]

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- Admissions Open House: November 1 @ 4:30 pm, McKernan Auditorium
- Moot Court Competition Finals: November 1 @ 6 pm, Robinson Courtroom
- Staff Breakfast – Tuesday, November 21 @ 8:30 am
- Faculty Meetings: November 1, November 15, November 29
- Classes End: November 22
- Thanksgiving Holidays, Law Center Closed – November 23 and 24

CCLS and International Programs

- The video of the 40th Tucker Lecture (October 19, 2017) is accessible at [https://www.law.lsu.edu/ccls/lecture/2017-professor-rosalie-jukier/](https://www.law.lsu.edu/ccls/lecture/2017-professor-rosalie-jukier/)
- The LL.M. 2018-2019 Admission Campaign is now open. Applications can be downloaded at [https://www.law.lsu.edu/llm/](https://www.law.lsu.edu/llm/)

Clinic

- This month, students from the Immigration Law Clinic (Alex Morgan, Carmen Guidry, MJ Hernandez and prior student Hailey Glenn) assisted thirteen non-citizens in acquiring employment authorization, which will allow them to legally work in the United States and begin to contribute more substantially to our federal, state and local taxes and the Social Security program.
- Late last month, Carmen Guidry, building off of the work of 2017 LSU graduate Bentley Baker, assisted a lawful permanent resident naturalize into a U.S. citizen!
In early October, twenty student volunteers from LSU Law Center assisted Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Baton Rouge in its annual Citizenship Day, where the students assisted current lawful permanent residents fill out applications for naturalization.

**Successions/Title Clearing Clinic:** Since August, the Successions/Title Clearing clinic students (consisting of Torrie Lawson, Bryce Robinson, and Ryan Williams) have worked on at least 10 cases helping to secure disaster funding, clear titles to property, and prepare estate planning documents for indigent clients. We anticipate an economic benefit of at least $230,000 as a result of this semester’s work! Five students are currently enrolled in the clinic for the upcoming spring semester.

**Faculty Highlights**

- Professor Keith Hall will speak on the topic “The Operator” at a conference on Joint Operations and the New AAPL Form 610-2015 Model Form Operating Agreement on December 5, 2016 in Denver, Colorado.

- Dean Galligan has named Professor Baier the Law Center’s representative on the Board of the Supreme Court of Louisiana Historical Society; he also serves as Secretary of the LSCHS and a member of its Membership and Program Committees.

- Professor Keith Hall spoke on the topic “International Petroleum Exploration Agreements” at a symposium in Dubai, United Arab Emirates that was sponsored by a civil law foundation on October 10 and participated in a panel discussion of “Contracts for Production and Sale of Petroleum” at St. Joseph’s University Law School in Beirut, Lebanon on October 12, 2017.

- The 2017-18 annual edition of Professor Bill Corbett’s coauthored book was published last week: *DOUGLAS E. RAY, WILLIAM R. CORBETT & CHRISTOPHER DAVID RUIZ CAMERON, LABOR-MANAGEMENT RELATIONS: STRIKES, LOCKOUTS AND BOYCOTTS* (THOMSON REUTERS).

- On Oct. 3, Professor Bill Corbett co-presented with Judge Nakisha Ervin-Knott on developments in Louisiana Civil Procedure at the Louisiana Judicial College Fall Conference.

- On Oct. 17, Professor Bill Corbett made his annual fall CLE presentation on recent developments in labor and employment law to the New Orleans ABA/EEOC Liaison Committee meeting at the offices of Adams and Reese.
• Professor Corbett was interviewed on Oct. 23 for a Legal Ease podcast of the Louisiana Law Review. Willie Walsh and Joe Cooper interviewed him on the subject of sexual orientation employment discrimination and the Seventh Circuit’s momentous holding that such discrimination is included in Title VII’s prohibition on discrimination “because of sex.” The case is Hively v. Ivy Tech Community College of Ind., 853 F.3d 339 (7th Cir. 2017).

• Professor Baier’s Op ed, “Casper . . . The Ghost Frog,” was published online in the Farm Journal’s agweb: https://www.agweb.com/article/feds-riding-casper-the-ghost-frog-over-property-rights-naa-farm-journal-guest-editor/. It urges the Supreme Court to grant certiorari in the Dusty Gopher Frog case, which has garnered national attention.

Legal Writing

1L Writing Assignment Due Dates
• WA5 Thursday, November 16

Library

• The Judge Helen "Ginger" Berrigan Papers are now open for research use at the LSU Law Library. The collection includes correspondence, photographs, records, and memorabilia from her time in office. Berrigan, an LSU Law Alum, was Chief Judge for the Eastern District of Louisiana during Hurricane Katrina and presided over the trial of Mayor Ray Nagin. For further information, contact the library's Archivist, Travis H. Williams (twill65@lsu.edu). A detailed list of the collection's contents is available here: https://www.law.lsu.edu/library/files/2013/08/LLA0005_BerriganPapers_FindingAid.pdf

• The Law Library's Archivist and Public Services Librarian, Travis H. Williams, was awarded "Social Media Guru" at the 2017 LOUIS Library Network's Annual Conference held October 18-19 in Baton Rouge. The award was given "for his engaging social media posts that highlight the exciting activities and outstanding hard work undertaken" while managing the LSU Law Library's social media.

The next LSU Law Monthly Highlights will be distributed on December 1. Please submit any items for inclusion by November 27.