

LSU Law

Monthly Highlights – November 2018

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**IMPORTANT DATES:**

Nov. 15 – Staff Breakfast (notice to be sent)

Nov. 14 & 28 – Faculty Meetings

Nov. 21 – Classes End

Nov. 22 & 23 – Law Center Closed for Thanksgiving Break

Nov. 26 – Exams Begin

### Office of Alumni Relations & External Communications

#### **Distinguished Alumnus Awards Celebration**

Friday, March 22, 2019

Hotel Intercontinental, New Orleans

Time: Sponsors' Reception 6:15 p.m., Awards Dinner 7:00 – 10:00 p.m.

#### Faculty Highlights

Save the date: On Wednesday, November 7, from 12:40-1:40, Prof. Lockridge and Will Monroe will host a Learning and Teaching Collaborative workshop on online accessibility. Will Monroe will provide some helpful tips on troubleshooting your Moodle pages for accessibility concerns with PDF and Word documents, PowerPoint files, class videos, and a few other common Moodle issues. An email announcement with opportunity to reply for lunch will be circulated soon.

Professor Robert Lancaster testified before the United States Commission on Civil Rights on October 12, 2018 on "Barriers to Voting" in Louisiana. Lancaster is Chair of the Louisiana State Advisory Committee to the Commission. A full text of the Louisiana Committee report can be found at <https://www.usccr.gov/pubs/2018/08-20-LA-Voting-Barriers.pdf>.

Professor Keith Hall spoke at three major conferences in October 2018. He co-presented on the subject of “Crude Oil Marketing and Sales” at the International Oil & Gas Contracts Course in Houston, Texas on October 1. He spoke on the topic of “Implied Covenants in Oil & Gas Leases” at the Rocky Mountain Mineral Law Foundation’s Annual Oil & Gas Short Course on October 8 in Houston. Finally, on October 17, Professor Keith Hall spoke on the topic “Ethical Landmines for Landmen and Lawyers Who Work as or Hire Landmen” at an annual conference of the Energy & Mineral Law Foundation in Lexington, Kentucky.

Professor Christine Corcos provided “Law and Pop Culture,” the introductory presentation for the conference *Propriété intellectuelle et Pop culture : nouveaux enjeux, nouveaux défis ?*, October 9, 2018, Strasbourg. (English translation: Intellectual property and popular culture: New Issues, New Challenges?). The Center for International Intellectual Property Studies sponsored the conference. Here is a link to the program. <https://univ-droit.fr/actualites-de-la-recherche/manifestations/27408-propriete-intellectuelle-et-pop-culture-nouveaux-enjeux-nouveaux-defis>

Professor Baier will present “Smashing the Silver Platter Doctrine,” which is Chapter XXVII of his legal bio of Frederick Bernays Wiener at the ABA Criminal Justice Section Fall Institute, Nov. 1-4, 2018, Mayflower Hotel, Washington, D.C.

On November 30, Heidi Thompson and Annie Scardulla are presenting at the LWI One-Day Workshop hosted by Loyola University New Orleans College of Law. Their topic, “Using 6 Cs to Teach Writing Helps Students Crossover to Quality Writing in Practice,” shows how to connect 1L legal writing assignments to practical lawyering skills. The theme of the workshop is “‘Help Me Help You’: Improving Communication Between the Bench, the Bar, and the Academy to Produce Practice-Ready Legal Writers.”

On October 22, 2018, Professor Olivier Moréteau is a guest of honor to give a keynote address in London, at the comparative law event commemorating the 50th anniversary of the Notre Dame University Law Program in London. His paper “The Words of Comparative Law” will be published in a special issue of the Journal of International and Comparative Law. On October 23, he will discuss tort law as a tool to protect the environment, at the University of East Anglia, Norwich.

At the Annual Meeting of the International Association of Law Schools (IALS) scheduled for November 10-15, Professor Olivier Moréteau will present on legal education in Louisiana on a panel comparing the curriculum in civil law and common law jurisdictions. He will visit at the Qatar University College of Law, host of the IALS Meeting, to promote the LSU LL.M. in Comparative Law and evaluate the Qatar graduate and doctoral law programs.

Professor Moréteau will teach Comparative Tort Law at Université Jean Moulin, Lyon from November 26-30, and will visit at Aix-Marseille University on December 3, to present a comparative law paper and promote our LL.M. program.

On Saturday, October 6, Professor John Church spoke on the subject of Wine Law at the Southern Conference of Bar Presidents.

## Experiential Learning Programs

On October 16, the New Orleans Asylum Office granted asylum to a 35 year old Turkish client represented by Carter Sayers '19 and Anne Lanier '19. It was a complicated case in which Carter successfully argued his client was not subject to a mandatory bar to asylum.

Last month, the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) granted legal permanent residence status to a family of four former asylees from the Democratic Republic of Congo, who were represented by Natalie Awad '19. Natalie also convinced the USCIS to grant Special Immigrant Juvenile Status to a seventeen-year-old child from Honduras, after the agency claimed his application was insufficient. She succeeded not by providing additional evidence, but by effectively persuading the adjudicator that, in fact, the evidence previously submitted demonstrated eligibility and nothing more was required.



## CCLS & International Programs

October 8-26: Professor Francois Du Toit, University of the Western Cape, South Africa, taught a short course on Donations and Trusts. He presented on his legal system at a faculty luncheon on October 18, and to the students at an International Law Society event on October 23.

November 8, 12:40: Robinson Courtroom: the 41st Tucker Lecture in Civil Law will be given by Attila Harmathy, Professor Emeritus in Budapest. The topic is Comparative Law and the Development of Civil Law in a Country under Transformation.

***The next LSU Law Monthly Highlights will be distributed on December 1.  
Please submit any items for inclusion by November 26.***

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