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≈ Calendar of Events ≈ Week of October 16, 2006

All events will be held in Myron Taylor Hall unless otherwise noted.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 17

3:00-7:00 p.m. Room 305. Office hours for Walter Bubl , Academic Support Counselor. Details on page 6, Walter Bubl 's column.

6:00-8:00 p.m. Class of 2009 JD Students-Dinner with the Dean. Bus transportation from Myron Taylor Hall to the Schwab residence and back to Myron Taylor Hall at the conclusion of dinner will be provided. The buses will be available in the parking lot behind Myron Taylor Hall. Please contact **Krista Bowen** 255-3527 or kbb229@cornell.edu with further questions.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 18

1:00-5:00 p.m. Room 252. Counseling and Psychological Services (CAPS). Free and confidential consultation for law students with Maurice Haltom Therapist/Counselor, Counseling and Psychological Services. Details on page 6, Maurice Haltom, CAPS column.

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FROM NAN COLVIN, REGISTRAR

- **To the Classes of 2007 & 2008: On-Line Pre-Registration for Spring 2007 Law School courses** (at <https://support.law.cornell.edu/students>) **will begin soon. Students will be notified by email when the site is available.** Spring courses information is available online at the Registrar’s site now.

- **Spring 2007 Courses in Divisions Other than the Law School - Please note** that University Online CoursEnroll **is available for one week only, October 16-October 20, 2006.** Students interested in enrolling in courses in other divisions of the University during Spring 2007 may pre-enroll using the University CoursEnroll process available through Bear Access/Just the Facts. You may use CoursEnroll for non-law courses starting at **6:30 a.m. on October 16 and ending at 4:29 p.m. on October 20, 2006.** Information about CoursEnroll is available on-line at:

<http://registrar.sas.cornell.edu/Student/coursenroll.html>

The course and time roster for the University is available on-line at:

<http://www.cornell.edu/academics/courses.cfm>

Note about Advisor Key & CoursEnroll. If you use Just the Facts/CoursEnroll to pre-register for University courses, it will ask you to enter your Advisor Key. We do not use an Advisor Key at the Law School and you should just leave it blank. Your selections will be saved when you activate the submit key.

Please Note: Pre-registration does not guarantee enrollment in the course. Students enrolling in non-law courses for JD credit will also need to complete the required petition with the Law School Registrar's office, available at the Registrar’s website, Course Registration link, *Request for Credit for Outside Course*. A student electing a course outside the Law School for credit or otherwise, must also register for at least 9 credit hours in the Law School each term. Regardless of the number of courses elected outside the Law School, a student must earn 72 semester credit hours in professional law subjects. This applies to all law students, including those in joint degree programs.

- **To the Class of 2009: First-Year Practice Exam -** A practice exam is given each year for students enrolled in first-year courses during the fall semester. Each student will be given an exam in one of his or her courses. The scheduled date for the practice exam is **Wednesday, November 8, 4:30-5:20 p.m.** You are encouraged to take the practice exam, but you are not required to do so. The exam roster will be posted on in the glass-enclosed bulletin board the day before the exam.

- **Laptops for Practice Exam**

- 1L and LLM students taking the Practice Exam**

- In order to use your laptop for the Practice Exam, you must register it at the Law School Online Laptop Registration site, at <https://support.law.cornell.edu/students>. The site will be available starting at 12:00 Noon on Monday, October 16. **You must register your laptop by Monday, October 23, 2006.**

- You must also download, install and test the exam software, Securexam. You will be receiving information about installing Securexam, at your Cornell email address, directly from Software Secure, Inc. during the week of October 23. You will be required to install and test the software **by Noon on Thursday, November 2 and have the installation confirmed by Software Secure, Inc.** in order to use your laptop for the Practice Exam. Students who do not install the software will handwrite the Practice Exam.

- **Laptops for final exams. For those students who wish to use laptops for exams**, you will be receiving information about registering your laptop for exams and installing Securexam in early November.

- **Exams and dictionaries - JD students** whose native or working language is not normally English may request the use of a non-legal dictionary for examinations by submitting a written request to the Dean of Students by **Wednesday, November 22**. The non-legal dictionary must be supplied by the student and the dictionary may be in print or electronic format; provided, however, that any electronic dictionary must be a stand-alone dictionary with a set memory (e.g., a dictionary program that is loaded on a laptop computer does not qualify). All electronic dictionaries must be approved by the Registrar well in advance of the examinations. **LL.M. students** with questions regarding the use of a non-legal dictionary for examinations should contact Assistant Dean Charles Cramton.

- **Examinations - For J.D. students who are studying in English for the first time**, please make an appointment with Dean Lukingbeal, room 165, by **Wednesday, November 22**, to discuss examination procedures.

- **Examination Conflicts** - Students who have exam conflicts are reminded to notify the Law School Registrar's Office of the conflict, using the online Deferral Request link (available Monday afternoon) at the Registrar's website: <https://support.law.cornell.edu/students> by **Wednesday, November 22**.

- **Past Notices:** Refer to previous issues of *Scoops* (available on-line in the Back Issues section) for information pertaining to transcript requests, certifications, bar registration, attendance and absences, etc.

FROM ANNE LUKINGBEAL, ASSOCIATE DEAN AND DEAN OF STUDENTS, AND JOHN DEROSA, ASSISTANT DEAN FOR STUDENT AND CAREER SERVICES

Memorial Service for James Morris

All Law School Students, Faculty and Staff are invited to a **memorial service for James H. Morris '08 on Monday, October 23 at 2:30 in the chapel at Anabel Taylor Hall**. A reception will follow in the Foyer of Myron Taylor Hall.

FROM ANNE LUKINGBEAL, ASSOCIATE DEAN AND DEAN OF STUDENTS **Academic Credit Available for Exciting New January Intercession Opportunity**

To All **Second and Third Year Law Students with an Interest in Labor and Employment Law**
The **ILR School** has recently expanded its **January intercession internship program** to include 1-3 law students in a three week internship in a Massachusetts or New York unemployment office. A number of sites are available. The **internship begins on January 2, 2007**. Upon completion of the

internship, participating law students will receive one S/U law credit for the course (as well as a \$200 stipend). **Law students will be supervised by Clinical Professor Angela Cornell.** There is a brief orientation program for the internship in December in Ithaca. For more details or simply to discuss the opportunity in general, please stop by my office or see one of our career counselors as soon as possible but in any event, before **November 15.**

FROM JOHN DEROSA, ASSISTANT DEAN FOR STUDENT SERVICES, LIZ PECK, DIRECTOR OF CAREER SERVICES & STACEY WILEY, ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR FOR CAREER SERVICES

- **All Students:** On **Thursday, October 26, Major, Lindsey & Africa** (MLA), the world's largest legal search firm, will present a program on choosing a practice specialty. MLA has presented this program at many of our peer law schools. Choosing an area of practice is something you will each have to do. Learn the questions you should be asking yourself to begin thinking about this important step in your careers.
- **1Ls:** If you missed your **Career Services Orientation** on either October 3, 4, or 5, please stop by the Career Office and pick up your copy of *The Guide to Legal Specialties*, an excellent little book written by practicing lawyers about various legal specialties. It's a fantastic resource that you will use throughout your career.
- **Upperclass Students:** You should now be holding **no more than 3 offers of employment!**
Number of Offers You May Hold by Certain Dates (according to NALP):
After October 15: **3**
After November 1: **2** (w/employers consent, and only if you were previously employed by the offering firm **and** you received an offer prior to September 15)
After December 1: **1** (w/employers consent only)

The above information can be found at: <http://www.nalp.org/content/index.php?pid=28>

FROM LARRY BUSH, BERGER INTERNATIONAL LEGAL STUDIES PROGRAM

- **Thursday, October 19, 4:15 p.m. Room G81**
The Berger International Speaker Series presents **Ms. Sandra Polaski**, Director of the Trade, Equity and Development Project at the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, a Washington-based foreign policy think tank speaking on **“Labor Rights Clauses in Trade Agreements: State of Play in 2006.”**
Sandra Polaski, who negotiated some of the labor rights clauses while at the State Department and is now a senior associate at the Carnegie Endowment in Washington, DC, will assess the proliferation of labor clauses, examine their interaction, and evaluate their impact on the ground.

Ms. Polaski's work focuses on trade, development and employment policies in the context of globalization. Until April 2002, Ms. Polaski served as the US Secretary of State's Special Representative for International Labor Affairs. She holds degrees from the University of Wisconsin and Johns Hopkins University School of Advanced International Studies (SAIS). Her most recent publication is *Winners and Losers: Impact of the Doha Round on Developing Countries*, March 2006.

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- **Thursday, October 26. 4:15 p.m. Room G81**

The **Berger International Speaker Series** presents **Professor Chantal Thomas**, Fordham University Law School, "**Should the World Trade Organization Incorporate Labor and Environmental Standards?**"

Professor Thomas writes about the relationship between international law, political economy and social justice, with a focus on the areas of international trade and international development. From 1996 to 2006 Professor Thomas taught international economic law at Fordham University School of Law in New York City; earlier this year, she joined the University of Minnesota Law School as a Professor of Law. She has served on the Executive Council of the American Society of International Law and on the Board of Directors of the American Foreign Law Association.

Her most recent work includes *Developing a Domestic Strategy: Intersections with Labor and Trade Rules*, in Daniel J. Gervais ed., *Intellectual Property, Trade and Development* (Oxford University Press, forthcoming 2007)

- **Friday, October 27. 12:15 p.m., Room G85.**

The **Berger International Speaker Series** presents **Professor Dr. Otto Sandrock**, Attorney-at-Law at the Court of Appeals of Duesseldorf, Germany, "**Enforcing International Arbitration Agreements Against Non-Signatories.**"

During the last decades, attempts were increasingly made to enforce arbitration agreements against non-signatory third parties, *e.g.*, against parent companies or other affiliates of a group of companies where a subsidiary had signed an arbitration agreement. **Professor Dr. Sandrock** will analyze the various solutions developed for such situations. He will discuss how French, English, Swiss, German laws as well as US federal law cope with this problem and how an unwanted extension of arbitration agreements can be avoided.

Otto Sandrock is a professor emeritus and former Director of the Institute for International Business Law at the University of Muenster/Germany. In 1995, he was admitted as attorney to the Court of Appeals of Duesseldorf and a partner in Hoelters & Elsing, Duesseldorf. For several decades he has served as an arbitrator under various arbitration rules, including those of the ICC, UNCITRAL, DIS, and in ad hoc proceedings. His experience also includes services as a conciliator, as counsel to parties in arbitration proceedings, and as an expert in litigations before state courts, German and foreign.

He received an LLD (University of Goettingen 1955), an LLM (Yale Law School 1956) and was qualified for a professorship ("Habilitation") by the Faculty of Law of the University of Bonn in 1965. He is the author of 10 books and more than 135 articles in law reviews, German and foreign, many of them on topics of arbitration law. He is a member of the board of editors of law reviews and of many associations in the field of international law.

FROM ANNEISE RILES, DIRECTOR, CLARKE PROGRAM IN EAST ASIAN LAW AND CULTURE

- **Clarke Program in East Asian Law and Culture Colloquium Series. Jerome A Cohen**, Professor of Chinese Law, New York University School of Law will present: "**Chinese Lawyers: Past, Present, and Future,**" **October 19, 12:00 Noon-1:30 p.m., room 273.** A lunch will be served.

- **Papering Ethics, Documenting Consent: The New Bureaucracies of Virtue Symposium**

This Clarke Program Symposium, to be published in *Political and Legal Anthropology Review*, will take an ethnographic look at the enterprise of ethics.

October 26: 4:00-6:00 p.m. - Weiss Faculty Lounge

October 27: 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. - 374 Rockefeller Hall

October 28: 10:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m. - Institute for the Social Sciences Conference Room, 146 Myron Taylor Hall

For more information and registration contact **Donna Hastings**, donna-hastings@lawschool.cornell.edu

FROM THE LAWYERING FACULTY AND HONORS FELLOWS

Workshop on Legal Writing Style

First-Year Students. On **Wednesday, October 25, at 5:30 p.m., in the Mancuso Amphitheater** (room G90), the **Lawyering Program Honors Fellows** will present an **optional, one-hour workshop on legal-writing style.** The workshop will focus on some difficult aspects of legal writing. Take advantage of this great opportunity to hone your legal-writing skills. Contact your Lawyering professor with any questions.

FROM THE LEGAL AID CLINIC

Mark Your Calendars

Thursday, October 26, 3:30 - 4:30 p.m.

The Cornell Legal Aid Clinic Annual Fall Open House

Thinking of taking a clinic class? Just curious about what we do at Legal Aid? Looking for a place in the law school where collaboration is not only encouraged but necessary? Come get a scoop of chocolate or vanilla ice cream with your favorite topping in the Legal Aid Clinic and learn more about us. We're located in G40 (near the elevators on the ground floor, right across from the stairway to Hughes Dining).

Get the scoop as current and former clinic students relay tales of actual legal experience representing clients of their own. Hear how you too can help folks in Tompkins County by filing complaints, answering suits and drafting stipulations. Also, hear how you could be arguing motions, trying cases, and handling appeals in federal, state, county or family court all before you are even out of law school. Or, just hang out, look around, meet the clinic staff and take a tour. The clinic experience of working on actual cases under the supervision of clinic attorneys is invaluable to summer clerkships. It provides a learning environment in which to make those initial attempts at legal work and to learn to ask intelligent, practical questions. The experience builds your confidence and helps significantly when dealing with senior attorneys and summer assignments at firms or other summer positions. **Come and see how you can get one of the best educational experiences at Cornell Law School.** We look forward to seeing you!!

FROM WALTER BUBLÉ, ACADEMIC SUPPORT COUNSELOR

• Office hours for individual consultations on academic matters with 1L JD students

Tuesdays 3:00-7:00 p.m. and Wednesdays 5:00-7:00 p.m., room 305. Drop in or arrange an appointment by email at: wgb7@cornell.edu

• The **CD of the Outlining Workshop** is available at the Library circulation desk. LexisNexis outlines are available at <http://www.lexisnexis.com/lawschool/study/outlines/>

FROM MAURICE HALTOM, COUNSELING AND PSYCHOLOGICAL SERVICES (CAPS)

University Counseling and Psychological Services (CAPS), in collaboration with the Law School Dean of Students' Office, have arranged for the continuation of services in the Law School during the Fall 2006 semester.

When: Wednesday, August 30 through Wednesday, December 13, 1:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m., room 252 Myron Taylor Hall.

Who: Any law student registered in the Law School wanting to consult about:

- personal growth and challenges
- depression, anxiety and stress

- relationship issues
- family issues
- cultural, racial and ethnic issues
- sexual health concerns
- negotiating academic environment
- any other issue of concerns
- referral and information

How: No need to make an appointment. Just stop by and follow the instructions on the door.

Contact: Maurice Haltom, Therapist/Counselor, Counseling and Psychological Services, Gannett: Student Health Services, 255-5208, mh84@cornell.edu

STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS

- **Cornell Law Students Association (CLSA)**

Please join us for **Fall Ball. Friday, Oct. 20 9:00 p.m. 1:00 a.m.**

Location: Celebrations: <http://www.celebrationsbanquetfacility.com/> **Attire:** Semi-formal. **Tickets** will be \$15 and will be on sale in the Foyer from 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. on Wednesday, October 18 - Friday, October 20. Due to space restrictions, there will only be 300 tickets (make sure you buy early!). Also, tickets will not be sold at the door; they must be purchased in advance.

Transportation: everyone attending must take the bus! Buses will be running from Anabel Taylor Hall continuously starting at 8:45 p.m. **You cannot drive yourself. Questions?** Contact **Quinton D. Lucas**, 1L Representative, at qdl3@cornell.edu

CLSA Wine-Tour!

CLSA is sponsoring a wine tour at three of the best wineries in the Finger Lakes region.

When: Sunday October 22, 12:00 Noon to 6:00 p.m. A bus seating 47 students will depart from the Center for Performing Arts (across from CTB) at 12:00 Noon and return no later than 6:00 p.m.

Where: Seneca Lake (<http://www.fingerlakeswinecountry.com/index.asp?pageId=278>).

Why: Wine tours are fun, 1L memos aren't due that week, and you might even learn something useful about wine.

Please stop by the CLSA office to sign up now. The cost is only \$12 (because CLSA has subsidized a large portion of the cost). This includes the coach bus ride and wine tastings at three wineries. Space is limited so sign up ASAP!! **Questions?** Contact **Quinton D. Lucas**, 1L Representative, at qdl3@cornell.edu

- **Moot Court Board**

Faculty Demonstration of Oral Argument

Have you done moot court? Seen moot court? Thought about moot court? Been intimidated by moot court? Have you ever wondered what oral argument should really look like? Have you ever wanted to see your professors actually argue a case against each other? Have you ever wanted to see them face the scrutiny of other professors judging them?

On Wednesday, October 18, at 5:00 p.m. in the Moot Court Room, Professors Blume and Clymer will argue the case of *Schiro v. Landrigan*, on which the Supreme Court recently granted cert. They will be judged by Professors Johnson, Garvey, and Morrison. After the oral argument, the professors will answer questions, and then a catered reception will follow in the Atrium. We hope to see you there. You won't want to miss this!

For more information, visit <http://mootcourt.lawschool.cornell.edu/> or e-mail mw278@cornell.edu.

LAW SCHOOL AWARDS-NOMINATIONS SOUGHT

Attention second and third-year students. Please give some thought to possible nominees for the following three Law School prizes. Nominations are due to Dean Lukingbeal by **Wednesday, November 15, 2006.**

- **The Freeman Award for Civil-Human Rights** was established from the estate of Professor Emeritus Harrop A. Freeman, J.D. 1930, J.S.D. 1945. A cash prize of **\$1,500** is awarded to the law student or students (with strong preference given to third-year students) who have made the greatest contribution during their law school career to civil-human rights. Nominations, in the form of a one-page statement concerning the nominee, should be submitted to Dean Lukingbeal by **Wednesday, November 15, 2006.**
- **The Stanley E. Gould Prize for Public Interest Law** was established by Stanley E. Gould, J.D. 1954. A cash prize of **\$1,000** is awarded each spring to a third-year student or students who have shown outstanding dedication to serving public-interest law and public-interest groups. Nominations, in the form of a one-page statement concerning the nominee, should be submitted to Dean Lukingbeal by **Wednesday, November 15, 2006.**
- **The Seymour Herzog Memorial Prize** was endowed in honor of the late Seymour Herzog, LL.B. 1936. A cash prize of **\$500** is awarded each year to a student or students (with strong preference given to third-year students) who demonstrate excellence in the law and commitment to public-interest law, combined with a love of sports. Nominations, in the form of a one-page statement concerning the nominee, should be submitted to Dean Lukingbeal by **Wednesday, November 15, 2006.**

WRITING COMPETITION

Harvard Latino Law Review (HLLR) Writing Competition. HLLR seeks papers concerning legal issues affecting Latinos and Latinas in the United States for its writing competition. The first place winner will be published in our upcoming issue and receive a cash prize. The competition is open to current students (including LL.M and S.J.D. candidates) and recent graduates. Papers must be double-spaced, in 12-point font, and 5000-10000 words (including footnotes). Send submissions and questions about the competition to **Erin Archerd** (earcherd@law.harvard.edu). Include contact information current mailing address and email with your submission. Papers must be received by **November 17.**

UPCOMING LAW SCHOOL EVENT

“Mastering Oral Advocacy” - Cornell Law School proudly presents guest speaker **David C. Frederick**, on **Wednesday, November 1, 2006 at 4:00 p.m. in the Moot Courtroom.**

Mr. Frederick, award-winning advocate, author and scholar, has argued 19 cases in the United States Supreme Court, including seven in the past two terms. In addition to numerous articles, Mr. Frederick is the author of *Supreme Court and Appellate Advocacy*, *The Art of Oral Advocacy* and *Rugged Justice: The Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals and the American West*.

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