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≈ Calendar of Events ≈ Week of October 29, 2007

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

MONDAY, OCTOBER 29

12:15 p.m. Saperston Student Lounge. The **Intellectual Property and Technology Association** is proud to present **Catherine Nyarady** and **Lindsay Silber**, discussing Intellectual Property in Litigation, Transactional, and Corporate Law. Details on page 6, Student Organizations.

5:00 -6:00 p.m. Saperston Student Lounge. The **Women's Law Coalition and the Student Animal Legal Defense Fund** presents **Professor Dana Campbell** speaking on "The Link Between Domestic Violence and Animal Abuse." Details on page 6, Student Organizations.

6:00 p.m. Saperston Student Lounge. LALSA General Meeting. Details on page 6, Student Organizations.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 30

1:30-4:30 p.m. Berger Atrium. Flu Shot Clinic for the entire Law School community: faculty, staff and students. Details on page 7, Law School Flu Shot Clinic.

3:00-7:00 p.m. Room 309. Office hours for Walter Bubl , Academic Support Counselor. Details on page 5, Walter Bubl 's column.

3:30-5:00 p.m. Room 263. Office hours for students with Dean Schwab. Details on page 2, Dean Schwab's column.

4:00 p.m. Room G80. Jon Michaels, an entry level candidate for faculty appointment will be interviewing at the Law School today. **The Student Advisory Committee for Faculty Appointments (SACFA) will be meeting with Mr. Michaels at 4:00 p.m.** Please contact **Christine Kim,'08** at cwkim@gmail.com if you are interested in attending this interview. Details on page 5, Student Organizations.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 31

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 5, Maurice Haltom, CAPS column.

4:00-5:30 p.m. Law School Berger Atrium. Public Interest Expo. 1Ls!! Details on page 4, Assistant Dean Comstock's column.

5:00-7:00 p.m. Room 309. Office hours for Walter Bubl , Academic Support Counselor. Details on page 5, Walter Bubl 's column.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 1

4:00 p.m. Moot Court Room. Deans DeRosa and Comstock will conduct an informational workshop on **Planning Your First Summer Job Search.**

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 2

12:20-1:15 p.m. Room G85. The Berger International Legal Studies Program invites you to a lecture entitled, **"Drafting an International Commercial Arbitration Clause,"** by Judge Delissa Ridgway, U.S. Court of International Trade, New York City. Please **RSVP** to Dawne Peacock at dfp7@cornell.edu by **October 31.** Details on page 5, Larry Bush, Berger Program column.



FROM STEWART J. SCHWAB, THE ALLAN R. TESSLER DEAN

Office Hours for Students

I will be holding office hours for students this **Tuesday afternoon, October 30, between 3:30 p.m. and 5:00 p.m.** Students wishing to see me should sign up in advance with **Lynda Swafford** in room 263 or stop by and sign in during the office hours.

FROM NAN COLVIN, REGISTRAR

- **To the Classes of 2008 & 2009 - On-Line Pre-Registration for Spring 2008 Law School courses is taking place now.** Instructions and details for on-line Law School Course Pre-registration, updated course information, registration forms, and degree requirements are available on-line at the Registrar's site: <https://support.law.cornell.edu/students>
- **To the Classes of 2008 & 2009: University On-Line Pre-enrollment for Spring 2008 courses has ended.** You will be able to add non-law courses again during the University Online Add-Drop which begins on Thursday, January 17, 2008.
- **Tuition Statements** - Students are reminded to check their billing address, for Spring 2008 tuition statements, in the University system by using Just the Facts (JTF).
- **To the Class of 2010: 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 7, 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 November 7 First-Year Practice Exam**

- 1L and LL.M. students in First-Year courses taking the Practice Exam**

- If you wish to use your laptop for the First-Year Practice Exam, you will be asked to do two things.

- 1. Download, install and test the Fall 2007 version of the exam software, Securexam.**

- The time period for doing this ended at 4:00 p.m. on Friday, October 26, 2007.**

- Students who did not install the software, or who did not receive a Confirmation email or whose laptops do not meet the hardware and software requirements of Software Secure, Inc. will be assigned to a handwriting room for the Practice Exam.

- 2. Register for the Practice Exam at the Law School Online Laptop Registration site.** The site will be available Monday, October 29-Wednesday, October 31, 2007 for those students who received a Confirmation email from Software Secure. When you register, you will be asked to verify that your laptop meets the hardware and software requirements of Software Secure, Inc. **Students who do not register will be assigned to a handwriting room for the Practice Exam even if they have successfully installed and tested Securexam.**

- **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 the week of November 5.

- **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 as of October 15) at the Registrar's website: <https://support.law.cornell.edu/students> by **Wednesday, November 14, 2007.**

- **Exams and dictionaries - new Cornell 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 14.** 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 14,** to discuss examination procedures.

- **Winter Intersession and Summer Study** - Students may petition the faculty for permission to take law courses in summer-school programs or winter intersession programs of other ABA-approved law schools, and upon their successful completion, to receive credit toward their Cornell J.D. degree. In no case is credit in excess of 6 hours granted for all such summer or intersession law studies. **Petition forms are available on line at the Registrar's site under Course Registration/Registration Forms** (https://support.law.cornell.edu/students/forms/Summer_Winter_Credit_Petition.pdf). Interested students should submit this form request to the Law School Registrar's Office (addressed to Dean Lukingbeal) by **November 1 for winter intersession programs** and by **April 1 for summer 2008 programs.**

- **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

Extra time on exams for J.D. students studying in English for the first time. Cornell Law School has a policy which allows a student additional time on law exams if he/she has not previously **studied in English for at least a year**. If you have not previously studied in English and would like to request extra time on your exams this year, please make an appointment to see me **by November 14, 2007**. To schedule an appointment, please call my assistant, **Rosemary Lacey**, at 255-0565 or come to the Registrar's Office.

FROM KAREN COMSTOCK, ASSISTANT DEAN FOR PUBLIC SERVICE

Public Interest Expo Wednesday, October 31, 4:00-5:30 p.m. Law School Berger Atrium. 1Ls!!
Come mingle with upper class students and learn about summer public interest and government internship opportunities. Pick up a comprehensive list of 2L and 3L mentors, and enjoy Halloween snacks.

FROM JOHN DEROSA, ASSISTANT DEAN FOR STUDENT AND CAREER SERVICES AND ELIZABETH PECK, DIRECTOR OF CAREER SERVICES

- **Upperclass Students:** If you need help making a decision about offers, or if you are still seeking a summer position, please make an appointment to see a Career Services counselor ASAP.
- **Number of Offers You May Hold by Certain Dates** (according to NALP):
After October 15: 3
After December 1: 1 (w/employer consent only, and note that most employers will expect a final decision by December 1st. Please see a counselor if you are having difficulty with your final decision.)

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

- **First-year students:** On **Thursday, November 1 at 4:00 p.m.** in the **Moot Court Room**, Deans **DeRosa** and **Comstock** will conduct an informational workshop on **Planning Your First Summer Job Search**.
- **First-year students:** On **Monday, November 5 at 4:00 p.m.** in the **Mancuso Amphitheatre (room G90)**, **Elizabeth Peck** will conduct a workshop on **Drafting Resumes and Cover Letters**.

FROM THE CORNELL LEGAL AID CLINIC

Mark Your Calendars

The Cornell Legal Aid Clinic Annual Fall Open House

Thursday, November 8, 4:00-5:00 p.m.

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 THE LAW LIBRARY

2Ls and 3Ls. The Law Library is launching its annual [Student Summer Employment Survey](#) from **October 25 through November 1.** We really want to know about your research experience at your jobs this past summer so that we can gauge how legal research is changing and adjust our research instruction accordingly. Because it would be so helpful to have your survey responses, we will enter students who want to participate into a drawing for a pair of free Cornell Hockey tickets for the January 26, 2008 game against Yale. These tickets were graciously donated by Professor Germain.

The survey is quick, painless, and you can win a cool prize! What could be better? Click [HERE](#) to go to the survey. Thanks very much.

FROM LARRY BUSH, THE BERGER INTERNATIONAL STUDIES PROGRAM

Friday, November 2

12:20-1:15 p.m. Room G85

The **Berger International Legal Studies Program** invites you to a lecture by **Judge Delissa Ridgway** entitled, "**Drafting an International Commercial Arbitration Clause.**" Please **RSVP** to **Dawne Peacock** at dfp7@cornell.edu by **October 31.**

Biographical information about **Judge Delissa Ridgway** appeared in the Vol. 21 #8, October 15 issue of *Scoops*, available at the Back Issues link on the *Scoops* website:

http://support.law.cornell.edu/technology/scoops/Back_Issues_2007-2008/vol_21_08_wk_Oct_15.pdf

FROM MAURICE HALTOM, COUNSELING AND PSYCHOLOGICAL SERVICES (CAPS)

Let's Talk

Free and confidential support is available to all students.

No appointment necessary. Just drop in.

* stress * academic problems * anxiety * relationships * adjustments to a new culture

* family problems * depression * financial * other concerns

When: Wednesdays, 1:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m. (August 29 - December 12)

Where: Myron Taylor Hall, Room 252

Who: Maurice Haltom, LMSW, Counselor from Gannett Health Services

For additional hours and counselor bios: www.gannett.cornell.edu/LetsTalk

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 309.** Drop in or arrange an appointment by email at: wgb7@cornell.edu

STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS

• **Cornell Law Student Association (CLSA)**

To ALL Interested Students. The **Faculty Appointments Committee** invites entry level candidates for interviews on campus. The **Student Advisory Committee for Faculty Appointments (SACFA)** is invited to meet with these and all other faculty candidates visiting campus. Please contact **Christine**

Kim '08 at cwkim24@gmail.com if you are interested in participating in SACFA, or otherwise attend any interview.

Currently scheduled is: **Jon Michaels - Tuesday, October 30 at 4:00 p.m. in room G80.** Fields of special interest: administrative law, contracts, legislation, national security law.

Dean Schwab and the Faculty Appointments Committee consider the participation of the student body to be an important component of the faculty appointments process and encourage all students to meet with the candidates and submit their evaluations.

- **Federalist Society**

On **Thursday, November 8, 6:15 p.m.** in the **Mancuso Amphitheatre** (room G90), the **Federalist Society** presents “**Is the Death Penalty Racist? *McClesky* at 20: The Challenge of the New Scholarship on Race and the Death Penalty.**” Professor **Barry Latzer** of John Jay College of Criminal Justice will be the speaker. Professor **Sheri Lynn Johnson** will provide commentary on the speech. Co-Sponsored by the GPSAFC. Questions? Contact **Craig Minerva** at cdm29@cornell.edu

- **The Intellectual Property and Technology Association**

On **Monday, October 29, 12:15 p.m.** in the **Saperston Student Lounge**, the **Intellectual Property and Technology Association** is proud to present **Catherine Nyarady** and **Lindsay Silber**, Attorneys from Paul, Weiss, Rifkind, Wharton & Garrison, to discuss Intellectual Property in Litigation, Transactional, and Corporate Law. Questions? Contact **Andrew Keisner** at ak286@cornell.edu

- **Latino American Law Students Association (LALSA)**

LALSA General Meeting. Monday, October 29 at 6:00 p.m. in **Saperston Student Lounge**. Sponsored in part by the GPSAFC. Questions? Contact **Mirna Cardona** at mrc23@cornell.edu

- **Women's Law Coalition and the Student Animal Legal Defense Fund**

Monday, October 29 from 5:00-6:00 p.m. in **Saperston Student Lounge**. The **Women's Law Coalition and the Student Animal Legal Defense Fund** will host animal law adjunct and former prosecutor **Dana Campbell** presenting on the **link between animal abuse and domestic violence**. Studies show a correlation between animal abuse, child abuse, and domestic violence. When animals in a home are abused or neglected, it is a warning sign that others in the household may not be safe. Come and learn about this important issue. Refreshments will be provided. Questions? Contact **Deborah Press** at ddp26@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 14, 2007.**

- **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 14, 2007.**

- **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 year 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 14, 2007.**

- **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 14, 2007**.

LAW SCHOOL FLU SHOT CLINIC

Flu Shot Clinic

Tuesday, October 30

1:30-4:30 p.m. Berger Atrium

To the Law School Community: it's that time of year again when we need to start thinking about the flu season. A **Flu Shot Clinic** has been scheduled at the Law School on **Tuesday, October 30 from 1:30 4:30 p.m.** in the **Berger Atrium**. **This is free to faculty, staff and students.** For information on other locations and dates, see the Gannett Health Center's website at:

<http://www.gannett.cornell.edu/top10Topics/cold-flu-strepthroat/VaccineApptClinic/Schedule.html>

INSTITUTE FOR THE SOCIAL SCIENCES EVENT

The ISS Contentious Knowledge Team presents

Making Nike Do It: Contentious Politics and Corporate Social Responsibility

[Sarah Soule](#), Contentious Knowledge Team Member and Professor of Sociology

October 30. 12:00 Noon-1:30 p.m.

ISS Conference room (146 Myron Taylor Hall)

This talk will be about some of the ways that activists target corporations, including a discussion of different tactics and different frames used by activists when targeting firms. Using data on protests collected from the New York Times, the talk will examine the effect of protest on investor perceptions of a firm as made evident through abnormal stock price returns an indicator of stock price reaction to a focal event. Results show that protest is associated with a decline in stock price of targeted firms, likely through its ability to impose costs on the firm and undermine a corporations image. Lunch will be served.

For more on this research project: http://www.socialsciences.cornell.edu/0609/contentious_desc.html

Questions? Contact **Anneliese Truame**, ISS Administrative Coordinator: amt58@cornell.edu

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