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≈ Calendar of Events ≈ Week of September 15, 2008

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

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 15

All day. Library Reading Room. Used Book Sale. Details on page 6, Law Library column.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 16

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1:00-5:00 p.m. Room 252. Office hours for Walter Bubl , Academic Support Director. Details on page 6, Walter Bubl 's column.

1:30 p.m. Saperston Student Lounge. Semester Abroad--Spring 2009 and Fall 2009: Information Session for 2L and 3L students, moderated by Larry Bush. Details on page 4, Berger International Legal Studies Program.

2:30-5:00 p.m. Foyer. Tahira Bland, Alissa Baader, and Bethany Hamilton from the **Law Students in Action Project** (LSAP) will be available to discuss opportunities in public interest law. Details on page 3, Assistant Dean for Public Service Comstock'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.

4:15 p.m. in the Mancuso Amphitheatre (room G90). The **Women's Law Coalition** will be hosting a **"How To" Panel**. Details on page 7, Student Organizations.

6:00 p.m. Room G85. Introduction to Federal Government Careers & Honors Programs with Practitioner in Residence **Thomas J. Lang** and Assistant Dean for Public Service **Karen Comstock**. Details on page 3, Assistant Dean for Public Service Comstock's column.

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4:00 p.m. Room 290. The Business Law Society will hold its first meeting. Details on page 7, Student Organizations.

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4:00 p.m. Registrar's Office. Schedule Verification and S/U Grade Election form due.



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

Office Hours for Students

I will be holding drop-in office hours for students on **Tuesday afternoons between 3:30 p.m. and 5:00 p.m.** Students wishing to see me may sign up in advance with **Rachel Lukens** in room 263 or stop by and sign in during the office hours.

FROM NAN COLVIN, REGISTRAR

Dates to remember for fall 2008

- **Fall break for Law School**
Begins **Saturday, October 11**
Classes resume **Monday, October 20**

- After Fall break: dates to be announced
Law School Pre-registration for spring 2009
University Pre-enrollment for spring 2009
Laptop Registration for exams for fall 2008
Installation of Exam4 software for fall 2008

- **Fall Term Examination Period**
Examinations begin **Monday, December 8**
Examinations end **Friday, December 19**

- **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 PAT HALSTEAD, CERTIFICATION COORDINATOR

Multistate Professional Responsibility Examination (MPRE). The MPRE is administered three times per year and is required as partial fulfillment of the requirements for admission to practice law in most jurisdictions. Other jurisdictions may begin requiring the MPRE during 2009. Applicants are advised to contact the jurisdictions directly for the most current information regarding passing scores, rules, and policies. Websites for many of the jurisdictions can be accessed via the National Conference of Bar Examiner's website using the following address: www.ncbex.org/offices.htm

MPRE Applications are available in the Law School Registrar's Office and the following website addresses: www.act.org/mpre or www.ncbex.org

The test dates and postmark deadlines for the November 2008 exam are:

- MPRE Test Date: **November 8, 2008**
- Regular Application Receipt Deadline: **September 30, 2008**
- Late Application Receipt Deadline: **October 16, 2008**

Online registration must be received before 12:00 Midnight Central Time on the published deadline date. Paper applications must be received in the MPRE Application Department in Iowa City, by 5:00 p.m. Central Time on the published deadline date. Applicants needing accommodations due to a disability must apply by mail. See section on Testing of Applicants with Disabilities in the MPRE Information Booklet.

2009 MPRE dates are March 7, 2009, August 7, 2009 and November 7, 2009. Application deadline dates for 2009 MPRE will be forthcoming.

FROM KAREN COMSTOCK, ASSISTANT DEAN FOR PUBLIC SERVICE

- ***Introduction to Federal Government Careers & Honors Programs***
Tuesday, September 16
6:00 p.m. Room G85

Join **Distinguished Practitioner in Residence Thomas J. Lang and myself** for a discussion about the advantages of federal government practice. Learn about the wide variety of agency opportunities and how to best present your skills and experience to government employers. The program will include a demonstration of how to use the Government Honors & Internship Handbook, with details and deadlines on over 100 Summer and Fall 2009 internships and permanent post-graduate positions. Food will be served!

Mr. Lang served from September 2006 to July 2008 as Senior Litigation Counsel at the Federal Trade Commission (FTC) in Washington, D.C. where he led or co-led FTC trial teams in recent federal court challenges to mergers in the gasoline refining and supermarket industries. He joined the FTC from the Antitrust and Competition practice of Kirkland & Ellis LLP. Mr. Lang worked as a professional staff member on the U.S. Senate Select Committee on POW Affairs during 1991-92. He also served for 15 years as a Military Intelligence Officer in the U.S. Army Reserves and Army National Guard before reaching the rank of Major. This semester he is teaching Antitrust Issues in Mergers and Acquisitions.

- **Law Students in Action Project**

Tahira Bland, Alissa Baader, and Bethany Hamilton from the **Law Students in Action Project (LSAP)** will be in the **Foyer on Tuesday, September 16 from 2:30-5:00 p.m.** They will be available to discuss unique opportunities available in public interest law. Additionally, LSAP has externships available for the fall semester throughout Western New York, including Ithaca, Rochester, and Geneva NY, some of which do not require commuting. LSAP also offers several programs which allow students to build their resume without the commitment of a full semester-long externship.

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

- **1Ls:** The Career Services Office will be presenting an **orientation to services** later this month. At your orientation, you will meet the counseling staff and learn more about our services, resources, and programs. **You have been assigned to an orientation session by your small section.** Attendance is strongly encouraged!

Sections **A & E** -- **Monday, September 29** from **2:30-3:30 p.m.** in G90

Sections **B & F** -- **Tuesday, September 30** from **4-5 p.m.** in G90

Sections **C & D** -- **Wednesday, October 1** from **4-5 p.m.** in G85

- **2Ls and 3Ls:** Please remember the following dates for upcoming OCI and regional job fairs. **If you have an OCI interview**, these interviews will take place in faculty, administrator, and student organization offices and classrooms in **Myron Taylor Hall**. On the day of the interview, **check the Career Office door** to find your interview room.

The **Chicago Job Fair** will be held at the **Embassy Suites Hotel Chicago Downtown** (600 North State Street) on **Friday, September 19**.

The **Dallas Job Fair** will be held at the **Magnolia Hotel** (1401 Commerce St.) on **Friday, September 19**.

The **Atlanta Job Fair** will be held on **Monday, September 22**. Interviews will take place at employers' offices.

OCI #4 will be held in **Myron Taylor Hall** from 9:00 a.m.-5:10 p.m. on **Monday, September 22 and Tuesday, September 23**.

FROM LARRY BUSH, BERGER INTERNATIONAL LEGAL STUDIES PROGRAM

- **Semester Abroad Information Session**

Tuesday, September 16

1:30 p.m. Saperston Student Lounge

Annual information session for 2L and 3L students interested in participating in a semester abroad during the Spring 2009 semester (both 2L and 3L students are eligible) or the Fall 2009 semester (for current 2L students) at one of our partner law schools (list follows on next page).

Individual Study Abroad Placements may be made with non-partner schools, subject to approval of the director. **All placements are subject to the final approval of the Graduate and International Committee.** Please consult our Semester Abroad web site for information about partner schools and about the program standards and procedures:

http://www.lawschool.cornell.edu/international/study_abroad/semester_abroad/index.cfm

PDF applications are available on-line at the URL given above. **Application deadlines:**
Spring 2009 semester--October 1, 2008; Fall 2009 semester--January 20, 2009

Bucerius Law School, Hamburg, Germany (English language--not available in Spring 2009; two places available in Fall 2009)

University of Cape Town, South Africa (English language--not available in Spring 2009; four places available in Fall 2009)

Central European University, Budapest, Hungary (English-language--two places available in Spring 2009, two places available in Fall 2009)

ESADE, Barcelona, Spain (Spanish fluency required, but some English-language courses; not available in Spring 2009; four places available in Fall 2009)

Heidelberg University, Germany (German fluency required; academic calendar precludes Spring 2009 placements; Fall 2009 placements, with approval of director)

University of Hong Kong (English language--not available in Spring 2009; four places available in Fall 2009)

Humboldt University, Berlin, Germany (German fluency required; academic calendar precludes Spring 2009 placements; Fall 2009 placements, with approval of director)

Keio University, Tokyo, Japan (Japanese fluency required, but some English-language courses--academic calendar precludes Spring 2009 placements; four places available in Fall 2009)

University of Paris I, France (French fluency required; calendar precludes Spring 2009 placements; Fall 2009 placements, with approval of director)

Peking University (English language--not available in Spring 2009; four places available in Fall 2009)

Pompeu Fabra University, Barcelona, Spain (Spanish fluency required; two places available in Spring 2009; four places available in Fall 2009)

University of Sydney, Australia (English language--not available in Spring 2009; four places available in Fall 2009)

Tel Aviv University, Israel (English language--two places, possibly more, available in Spring 2009; not available in Fall 2009)

Semester in London, University College London, England (English language--no Spring 2009 placements; ten places available in Fall 2009)

Waseda University, Tokyo, Japan (Japanese fluency required, but some English-language courses--academic calendar precludes Spring 2009 placements; four places available in Fall 2009)

- **Speakers Series**

Friday, September 19

9:00 a.m. Room 279

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The event scheduled on Monday, September 22, at 12:15 p.m. in the Berger Atrium, has been cancelled.

Monday, September 29

2:30 p.m. Room 276

The **Clarke Fund for the Middle East Lecture** present **Bassam Tibi**, A.D. White Professor-at-Large speaking on “*The Reinterpretation of Shari’a from Civil Law to State Law.*”

FROM THE LAW LIBRARY

Used Book Sale. There will be a used book sale in the library **Monday, September 15 through Wednesday, September 17** located near the Circulation Desk in the Reading Room. The books will cost \$1.00 per volume and exact change is necessary. Primarily the books are legal, with many study aids and some fiction.

FROM WALTER BUBLÉ, ACADEMIC SUPPORT COUNSELOR

- *Maximize Your Success in Law School*

Thursday, September 18

3:00-4:00 p.m. Room 290

A panel of second- and third-year students and I will present various techniques for getting the most out of your long days and hard work. Co-sponsored by CLSA.

- **Office hours** for individual consultations on academic matters with 1L JD students. This Thursday the office hours will be **1:00-2:45 p.m.** and **4:15-5:00 p.m.** due to the Workshop mentioned above. Drop in or arrange an appointment by email at: wgb7@cornell.edu

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.-4:30 p.m. September 3 - December 17

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

STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS

- **Business Law Society**

The Business Law Society will hold its first meeting of the semester in **room 290** on **Wednesday September 17 at 4:00 p.m.** We will elect 1L reps and discuss a calendar of events for the semester. Questions? Contact **Sam Charlton** at shc76@cornell.edu

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

LALSA (Latino American Law Students Association) reminds you that **Sunday, September 14** marks the beginning of **Hispanic Heritage Month**. Events and speakers will include the following (times and rooms will be announced later):

LALSA Annual Hispanic Heritage Month **Food Fair**

Professor Cristina Rodriguez, NYU Professor of Law Friday, September 26

Judge Sonia Sotomayor, 2nd Circuit Court of Appeals Wednesday, October 8

Justice Rivera-Soto, New Jersey Supreme Court Friday, October 24

For more information, contact **Marina Gruber**, LALSA President at mcg66@cornell.edu

- **Women's Law Coalition**

On **Tuesday, September 16** the **Women's Law Coalition** will host a **"How To" Panel at 4:15 p.m.** in the **Mancuso Amphitheatre** (room G90). The panel will be made up of 2L and 3L students who will answer questions regarding the work/life balance of a 1L. Questions? Contact **Margot Dickson** at mmd52@cornell.edu

LAW SCHOOL EVENT

Frank Irvine Endowed Lecture Series

Thursday, September 18

4:00 p.m. Mancuso Amphitheatre (room G90)

Gunther Teubner, Professor of Private Law and Legal Sociology, University of Frankfurt/Main, and Centennial Professor, London School of Economics presents: **"Self-Subversive Justice: Contingency or Transcendence Formula of Law."** A reception will follow immediately in the Foyer.

POSITIONS AVAILABLE

- **Professor Blume** intends to hire one or more research assistants to work on several ongoing criminal procedure projects. Interested students should submit a resume to Karen Wilson in room 115

- **Professor Martin** seeks one or more assistants to aid his research into the current level and models of electronic filing implementation in state courts, including issues of privacy associated with online access to the resulting digital records. Most of the research will entail work with materials on the Web rather than more conventional legal sources. Interested students should send a resume, the names of 1 or 2 law faculty references, and a short statement of relevant experience, if any, to: peter-martin@lawschool.cornell.edu

- **TA Positions Available.** A number of positions are available for 2L and 3L students to serve as teaching assistants in the spring for Government 313, The Nature, Functions, and Limits of Law. Serving as a TA will involve leading one small section discussion per week, as well as helping with the grading. Some preliminary work this semester to help compile the syllabus may also be involved. TAs must be free in the spring semester from 2:55 to 4:10 p.m. on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays and must be willing remain in Ithaca for a few days to assist with grading at the end of the examination period. TAs may opt either to receive two units of supervised teaching credit or to be paid at the law schools hourly wage. To apply, please put a copy of your transcript (unofficial or printed out will be fine), resume, and a cover letter in **Professor Chafetz's** mailbox by this **Friday, September 19.**

FROM THE CORNELL LAW SCHOOL ALUMNI AFFAIRS OFFICE

SEPTEMBER AND OCTOBER EVENTS

- **Tuesday, September 23 - Chicago, IL**

Food: A Feast of Legal Controversies

A discussion by **Eric F. Greenberg, JD '83** of current public policy and food safety issues, presented by Cornell Law School and hosted by McDonnell, Boehnen, Hulbert and Berghoff, LLP.

- **Thursday, September 25 - Buffalo, NY**

Bridges and Partnerships, Cornell Law School: Its Present and its Future

Join us for a Cornell Law School and Cornell Law Association Alumni Luncheon & Reception as **Stewart J. Schwab**, The Allan R. Tessler Dean and Professor of Law, discusses the latest about the Law School and how Cornell continues to meet its historical mission of training a new generation of "lawyers in the best sense" to face the challenges of today.

- **Tuesday, October 7 - Rochester, NY**

Rochester Alumni Reception & Luncheon, featuring Rochester Mayor, **Robert J. Duffy**

You are invited to a Cornell Law School and Cornell Law Association Alumni Luncheon with special guest speaker Mayor Robert J. Duffy. Special thanks to **Duncan W. O'Dwyer, JD '63** for hosting this event. Co-sponsored with the New York/Ontario Regional Office.

- **Tuesday, October 14 - New York, NY**

Women's Careers: Timeouts and Transitions

Our diverse and experienced panelists will discuss the unique challenges facing women in the legal field, focusing on strategies for pursuing part-time/flex-time work, alternative careers, and transitioning back into the workforce after taking time off to raise a family or care for elderly parents. Moderated by **Katherine Ward Feld, MBA '82, JD '83**.

- **The Cornell Law School will continue its international outreach by visiting our alumni and friends in Japan, China, and Hong Kong.** Please join us and take this opportunity to meet and greet Cornell Law School and University faculty and administrators:

Tuesday, October 14

Tokyo Alumni

Reception

Tokyo, Japan

Friday, October 17

Shanghai Alumni

Reception

Shanghai, PRC

Monday, October 20

Beijing Alumni

Reception

Beijing, PRC

Wednesday, October 22

Hong Kong Alumni

Reception

Hong Kong

- **Tuesday, October 28 - New York, NY**

Curia Dinner

Cornell Law School's 78th Annual dinner of the Curia Society will host keynote speaker **Robert M. Morgenthau**, the district attorney for New York County, New York.

- **Wednesday, October 29 - Washington, DC**

Passion, Power, and Politics: Washington's Premier Lobbyist, **Gerry Cassidy, JD '67**

Mr. Cassidy, Founder and Executive Chairman of Cassidy & Associates, will share his story on lessons learned, challenges in DC, and an insider's perspective on today's key players in Washington, DC and on presidential election predictions. Opening remarks and an introduction by **Stewart J. Schwab**, The Allan R. Tessler Dean and Professor of Law.

For more information or to register, please visit www.lawschool.cornell.edu/alumni or call Alumni Affairs at (607) 255-5251.

UNIVERSITY EVENT

Friday, September 19

4:00 p.m. Beck Center, Statler Hall

Fooling Some of the People All of the Time

A presentation with author and Cornell alumnus, **David Einhorn** AB '91 will be held Friday September 19, 2008 at 4:00 p.m. in the Beck Center Lecture Hall 196 at Statler Hall. A reception and book signing will follow Mr. Einhorn's talk.

The founder of Greenlight Capital, Inc., Mr. Einhorn, in his recently published work, *Fooling Some of the People All of the Time: A Long Short Story* (Wiley, May 2008), offers his readers insights into the battles surrounding hedge funds. Einhorn's work has been described as a "gripping chronicle of the ongoing saga between author David Einhorn's hedge fund, Greenlight Capital, and Allied Capital, a leader in the private finance industry. Page by page, it delves deep inside Wall Street, showing why the \$6 billion hedge fund decided to short shares of Allied Capital and how Allied responded with a Washington, D.C.-style spin-job attacking Einhorn and disseminating half-truths and outright lies."

David Einhorn is the Chairman of Greenlight Capital Re, Ltd. (Nasdaq: GLRE) and serves on the boards of the Michael J. Fox Foundation for Parkinson's Research and Hillel: The Foundation for Jewish Campus Life. Einhorn has pledged his entire personal share of the profits from Greenlight's short-sale of Allied and this book to charity.

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