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≈ Calendar of Events ≈ Week of March 30, 2009

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

TUESDAY, MARCH 31

1:00-5:00 p.m. Room 252. Office hours for Walter Bubl , Academic Support Director. Details on page 7, 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.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 1

12:00 Noon-1:30 p.m. Room 276. The Clarke Program in East Asian Law and Culture Colloquium Series with **Mingli Kuo**, *Lay Participation in the Taiwan Judicial System* and **Chih-Ming Hsieh**, *Transformation of the Prosecutors Role in Taiwan*. Lunch will be served. RSVPs required for lunch. Details on page 7, Clarke Program column.

1:00-4:30 p.m. Room 252. Counseling and Psychological Services (CAPS). Free and confidential consultation for law students. Details on page 8, CAPS column.

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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

- **University Course Pre-registration** for fall 2009
Courses in Divisions Other than the Law School - Students interested in enrolling in courses in other divisions of the University for the fall 2009 semester may pre-enroll using the University Enrollment process. Law students will use the University system to select their non-law courses. **The pre-registration period for law students to select non-law courses is scheduled for April 13-15, 2009.** To pre-enroll you must use the Student Center at: <http://studentcenter.cornell.edu> .

If you do not know how to use the University Online Enrollment process, you should visit the University site that explains the process: <http://registrar.sas.cornell.edu/Student/courseenroll-FAQ.html>

Please Note: Pre-enrollment 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, at the Registrars website (<https://support.law.cornell.edu/students>), 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.

- **Law School Course Pre-registration** for fall 2009 - **To the Classes of 2010 & 2011** - On-Line Pre-Registration for fall 2009 Law School courses will take place in early summer. You will be notified by email to your Cornell NetID email account when the pre-registration site is available. Instructions and details for on-line Law School Course Pre-registration, updated course information, registration forms, and degree requirements will be available on-line.

- A **Course Forum** will be scheduled later in April for interested students to learn about the curriculum for the 2009-10 academic year. Students will be notified by email of the date.

- **Spring Term Examination Period**

Examinations begin **Monday, April 27**

Examinations end **Tuesday, May 12**

- **Using your lap top for spring 2009 exams - Installation of Exam4 software: April 1-8, 2009.** You will receive information about the process by email to your Cornell NetID email address during the week of March 30. All students who wish to use their laptops for final exams will be required to download, install and test the Spring 2009 version of Exam4.

- **Spring 09 Final Examinations - Exam Conflicts** - Students who have **exam conflicts** are reminded to notify the Law School Registrar's Office, in writing, using the online Deferral Request link at the Registrars website: <https://support.law.cornell.edu/students> by **Wednesday, April 8, 2009**, of the conflict, and should note which exam they wish rescheduled. The exam schedule is available at the Registrars website at: https://support.law.cornell.edu/students/forms/Spring_Exam_Schedule.pdf

- **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, April 8, 2009**. **JD students who have previously received permission to use a non-legal dictionary previously do not need to make another request.** 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**.

FROM PAT HALSTEAD, CERTIFICATION COORDINATOR

Reminders To All Graduating Students

- **New York Bar Application information** will be discussed at the handwriting sessions scheduled on **Wednesday, April 1 at 3:30 p.m. in the Mancuso Amphitheater (room G90.) and Thursday, April 2 at 11:30 p.m. in room G85.**

On-line applications and instructions for submitting the New York State Bar application will be available **April 1-April 30, 2009** at: <http://www.nybarexam.org> . Please print the Specimen of Applicants Handwriting form and bring it to one of the handwriting sessions. Those who are unable to attend either session should stop by the Registrar's Office to make an appointment to complete the handwriting specimen.

- **Certificates of Attendance/Graduation.** A certificate of law school attendance/graduation is required by most state bar authorities. Some states require that the certificate be made on a form they provide, and others require it on Law School letterhead. Certificates are completed and mailed directly from the Law School Registrars Office. **Certificates of graduation will be sent after May 24, 2009.**

- **Official Transcripts.** Please remember that they are not processed at Cornell Law School. Students can request an official transcript (**including Spring 09 grades**) in **May** at the University Registrar's Office, B7 Day Hall. The request should include the following information: **Hold for Grades and Degree - Graduating Law** and where you want it sent.

- **Applications Requiring Fingerprinting (not all bar applications require fingerprinting)**
Fingerprinting is available on campus at the Public Safety Office, G-2 Barton Hall, 24 hours a day and at the Ithaca Police Department, 120 E. Clinton St. Ithaca, NY. You will need to take the fingerprint card from your bar application packet with you, and **two** forms of picture ID. The Ithaca Police Department is only available to process the cards on Wednesdays from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and charge a \$10.00 fee. Their number is (607) 272-9973 (Records Department-Option 0.)

FROM ANNE LUKINGBEAL, ASSOCIATE DEAN AND DEAN OF STUDENTS

Multicultural Work Environments I & II

2010 and 2011 JD students with F1 Visas. The law faculty offers a course in the law school to encourage multicultural work experience: **Multicultural Work Environments I & II.** This course **does** enable international students in F-1 visa status to use Curricular Practical Training work authorization.

Eligibility & Procedures: The course is open only to those students who will be working during the summer in a country other than that of their citizenship. Course II is open only to those students who have completed course I. Each is a one (1)-credit, S/U course and may be taken as an elective in addition to the required degree credits. The course grade will appear on the student's transcript.

Registration occurs in the spring, with a grade posted in the fall after the requirements are satisfied.

Registration is online at: <http://www.isso.cornell.edu/immigration/f1/law673.php> **until June 1, 2009.**

Prior to registering for the course, students must obtain a summer internship offer. The internship may be in an organization which previously employed the student, but the position and work assignments should not substantially duplicate earlier work for the organization. Once that has been done, registration can be done online.

After you register on line for the course, you will receive an approval email from Sarah Hilsman at the International Students & Scholars Office. The email will explain that you need to bring a copy of that email along with your job offer letter to the ISSO (B50 Caldwell Hall) in order to obtain your work authorization. More information about Curricular Practical Training work authorization is available on the ISSO website at: <http://www.isso.cornell.edu/immigration/f1/law673.php>. The ISSO contact is **Sarah Hilsman** (email sw57@cornell.edu; phone 255-8735).

You must notify the Law Schools Registrar if you change or drop the internship after registration. The internship may not be extended beyond the summer, and you may not drop the course after performing the internship without invalidating your work authorization.

Objective & Assignment: The goal of this course is to promote an understanding of the challenges encountered in the work environment as a result of cultural differences. To that end, students are required to complete a ten-page paper by September 15 following their summer internship.

For more information about this course, stop by the Registrar's Office and ask for the one-page handout.

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

• **All Students:** Dean DeRosa, Elizabeth Peck, and Suzanne Hess will be out of the office from Tuesday, March 31 through Friday, April 3 in order to attend the annual NALP conference. The Career Services Office will remain open during normal business hours should you need to utilize our resources. If you have an issue that requires immediate attention, please speak to Lisa Carberry or Donna Dingy.

• **1Ls:** Please mark your calendars for the “*Introduction to Fall Recruiting*” program, which will take place on Thursday, April 16 at 4:00 p.m. in the Anabel Taylor Hall Auditorium (next door to Myron Taylor Hall). Dean DeRosa will provide an overview of the fall recruiting process, including:

- The recruiting timeline and description of events
- The bidding/lottery process for interview
- Summer appointments and fall recruiting preparation

If you plan to participate in fall recruiting, your attendance at this event is strongly encouraged.

• **2Ls:** Dean DeRosa will present his annual program entitled “*How to Succeed as a Summer Associate*” on Monday, April 13 at 6:00 p.m. in the Mancuso Amphitheater (room G90). We encourage all students who will be summering at firms to come learn about how to impress your employer with both your substantive work and your behavior at social events.

FROM KARLA VARGAS, DIRECTOR OF FINANCIAL AID

How To Renew Your Financial Aid

Follow these easy steps to renew your Federal Loans:

- File your tax returns
- Complete your FAFSA no later April 15, 2009
- Send a copy of your Tax return or Non-filing statement to the Financial Aid Office.
- Complete the Federal Verification Worksheet

Please note: If you complete your FAFSA later than April 15, and do not alert the Financial Aid Office, we cannot ensure timely payment of loan funds.

Follow this easy step to renew your Private Loans:

- Contact your lender and apply for a new loan for 2009-2010

Follow this easy step to renew your Graduate PLUS LOAN:

- Download and submit the 2009-2010 application form.

Grants do not need to be renewed

FROM CHARLES CRAMTON, ASSISTANT DEAN FOR THE GRADUATE LEGAL STUDIES PROGRAM

Thursday, April 2

12:15 p.m. Room G85

The Graduate Legal Studies Program and the LL.M. Association present Shawn Novel, LL.M. Candidate, May 2009, speaking on “*Sharia-Compliant Banking: An understanding of equity finance in the light of the crunch*” and Kenneth Yiu-Fung Hui, LL.M. Candidate, May 2009 speaking on “*Hong Kong and China: Past and Future Relations.*” Please RSVP to Dawne Peacock, dfp7@cornell.edu for the luncheon.

FROM LARRY BUSH, THE BERGER INTERNATIONAL STUDIES PROGRAM

- **Monday, April 6**

12:15 p.m. Room 276

The Berger International Legal Studies Program Speaker Series present **Matthew F. McHugh**, former World Bank, former Congressman, speaking on “*Initial Thoughts on President Obama and the Prospects for Change.*” Please **RSVP** to Dawne Peacock, dfp7@cornell.edu for the luncheon.

Biographical information about Mr. McHugh appeared in the March 23 issue of *Scoops*, available online at the Back Issues link: http://support.law.cornell.edu/technology/scoops/Back_Issues_2008-2009/

- **Tuesday, April 7**

12:20 p.m. Room 276

The Berger International Legal Studies Program Speaker Series presents **Pascal de Vareilles-Sommières**, Professor of Law, University of Paris I, speaking on “*The Public Policy Defense and Foreign Arbitral Awards: A Conflict of Laws Look at the ‘Second Look’ Doctrine.*” Please **RSVP** to Dawne Peacock, dfp7@cornell.edu for the luncheon.

Professor P. de Vareilles-Sommières is a professor of private international law and international trade law at Université Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne. He is a co-author of *Droit international privé*, 9th ed. Dalloz 2007, with late Yvon Loussouarn and Pierre Bourel. He is currently on sabbatical leave, and is to be in residence at Cornell during April and May 2009, preparing a course on “Public policy defense in private international law” to be held in summer 2009 at The Hague Academy of International Law.

- **Wednesday, April 8**

12:20 p.m. Room 285

The Berger International Legal Studies Program presents **Professor Don Wallace**, Georgetown University Law School, speaking on “*Investment Disputes Settlement.*” Lecture in Professor Ndulo’s International Foreign Investment class.

Don Wallace is a professor at Georgetown University Law School. Prof. Wallace graduated from Yale College and Harvard Law School. He has been a delegate to the United Nations Commission for International Trade Law (UNCITRAL) for over 20 years and has worked on projects in Egypt, China, and Indonesia. He is the Chairman of the International Law Institute, an organization currently active in East Africa, Nigeria, Cairo and Chile. Prof. Wallace has served as an arbitrator in international investment disputes and has been an advisor in three NAFTA Chapter 11 dispute proceedings including—Loewen (a Canadian funeral company which sought hundreds of millions of dollars on a claim that a Mississippi jury trial verdict against it violated its investment rights protected under NAFTA); Methanex (a Canadian company seeking a billion dollars on a claim the State of California violated its NAFTA rights by phasing out the use of a gasoline additive to reduce exhaust emissions); and Bayview (Texas ranchers claiming damages for diversion of Rio Grande waters).

- **Thursday, April 9**

12:20 p.m. Room 276

The Berger International Legal Studies Program Speaker Series presents **Jean Louis Halperin**, Professor and Director of the Department of Social Sciences, L’Ecole Normale Supérieure (ENS), Paris, speaking on “*Custom: Is it the Infancy of Law or a By-product of Law?*” Please **RSVP** to Dawne Peacock, dfp7@cornell.edu for the luncheon.

- **Friday, April 10**

12:15 p.m. Room 279

The Berger International Legal Studies Program Speaker Series presents **Judge Juan Osuna**, Chairman of the Board of Immigration Appeals, speaking on “*The Immigration Court System: Where*

We Have Been and Where We Are Going.” Please **RSVP** to Dawne Peacock, dfp7@cornell.edu for the luncheon.

Juan P. Osuna is the Chairman of the Board of Immigration Appeals (BIA), an agency within the United States Department of Justice. Judge Osuna has been a Member of the BIA since August 2000. Comprised of 15 Board Members, the BIA is the highest administrative tribunal in the United States on immigration matters. Before joining the BIA, Judge Osuna was Senior Principal Attorney Editor for West Group, the largest legal publisher in the United States. In the past he has served as a legal consultant for various public interest organizations, primarily the Catholic Legal Immigration Network, Inc., and as an instructor for the Federal Judicial Center and American University. Judge Osuna holds J.D. and M.A. degrees from American University and a B.A. from George Washington University.

CLARKE PROGRAM IN EAST ASIAN LAW AND CULTURE COLLOQUIUM SERIES

Wednesday, April 1

12:00 Noon-1:30 p.m. Room 276

The Clarke Program in East Asian Law and Culture Colloquium Series: **Mingli Kuo**, Visiting Researcher Taiwan Ministry of Justice Program *Lay Participation in the Taiwan Judicial System* and **Chih-Ming Hsieh**, Visiting Researcher Taiwan Ministry of Justice Program *Transformation of the Prosecutors Role in Taiwan*. Lunch will be served. Please RSVP to **Donna Hastings**, donna-hastings@lawschool.cornell.edu

FROM THE LAW LIBRARY

Legal Research 2.0

Ready? Before you know it, the school year will be over and you'll be in the midst of your new employment. To help prepare you the Law Library is offering **Legal Research 2.0: Beyond Law School**. This annual event kicks off on **April 2 and continues through April 8**. Two 55 minute sessions give general research tips to prepare you for your summer job.

- **Lawyering Goes to Work, preparing for your summer of legal research.** These sessions are part of the Lawyering Program and are scheduled for **April 2 in room 290**. All 1L's will attend one session, presented by librarian **Pat Court**. **Sections A, D, and E meet at 2:30** and **Sections B, C, and F meet at 11:15**.
- **After the Budget Cuts** gives free and low-cost alternatives to Lexis and Westlaw. This session will be taught by Research Attorney **Amy Emerson**, and is scheduled for **April 8, 5:00-5:55 p.m.**, in **room 277**.

Research Consultations can be made throughout the year, but are more valuable before you leave for summer employment. Consultations offer in-depth, customized research tips specifically tailored to the area(s) of practice you will face during the summer. Appointments are easily requested online at: <http://library.lawschool.cornell.edu/WhatWeDo/HelpStudents/Research-Appointment.cfm> or at the Reference Desk in the Reading Room.

FROM WALTER BUBLÉ, ACADEMIC SUPPORT COUNSELOR

Office hours for individual consultations on academic matters with 1L JD students **Tuesdays and Thursdays 1:00-5:00 p.m., room 252**. Drop in or arrange an appointment by email at wgb7@cornell.edu

Please note: I will **not be available** for meetings on **Thursday, April 2**.

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, 1:00-4:30 p.m. (January 21 through May 20, 2009)

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

WRITING COMPETITIONS

The **Victoria Fisher Memorial Prize**, offered by the Faculty of Law, University of Leicester, is intended to stimulate and encourage interest in the topic of Women and the Law, an area with which Victoria Fisher herself was closely involved. A prize of £250 is offered annually to the best essay submitted on a topic related to Women and the Law. Entries are encouraged from people regardless of age, experience, qualifications or place of residence. The only requirement is that candidates should never have had work published in a learned journal or as a non-fiction book. Submissions are due no later than **September 30, 2009**. For complete competitions guidelines, visit the website at:

<http://www.le.ac.uk/law/news/fisher.html>

FROM THE AVON GLOBAL CENTER FOR WOMEN AND JUSTICE

Summer Research Intern Position Available

The **Avon Global Center for Women and Justice at Cornell Law School** (Center) works with judges, legal professionals, governmental and non-governmental organizations to improve access to justice for survivors of gender-based violence in an effort to eliminate violence against women and girls. One important online resource that the Center will offer is a legal resource toolkit or guide for judges and other professionals to access the international, regional and domestic legal frameworks to protect women and girls against gender-based violence. In addition, the Center compiles useful links to organizations and online resources in the field of gender-based violence and women's rights.

The **Center is seeking a law student summer research intern** who will be responsible for researching and compiling the treaties, constitutions, laws, cases and other important documents for the legal framework to protect women and girls. In addition, the legal research intern will work under the supervision of the Executive Director and the Women and Justice Fellow to build the legal resource toolkit and populate the online resource page.

Students are encouraged to apply for a summer public interest funding (PIF) grant for compensation. However, some funding is available for students who do not receive a PIF grant. Students will be supervised by **Professor Kalantry**, Faculty Director of the Avon Center and **Jocelyn Getgen**, Women and Justice Fellow.

Applicants are expected to have strong legal research and writing skills. Experience or a demonstrated interest in gender or women's issues is a plus. Students with prior knowledge of international human rights law, international comparative law and/or language skills are strongly encouraged to apply.

Deadline: Decisions will be made on a rolling basis, but no later than May 1, 2009. To apply:

Please send a cover letter, resume and unofficial transcript to: womenandjustice@cornell.edu

Questions? Please contact **Jocelyn Getgen** at: womenandjustice@cornell.edu

POSITION AVAILABLE

A **S.J.D. candidate at American University** (Washington College of Law) from Upstate NY who is making the final edits to his dissertation **would like to hire a law student**, preferably one with Review or Journal experience, **to correct his footnotes** so that they comply with BlueBook format. The S.J.D. candidate can be reached at 607-546-2311 or bitter@lightlink.com. He is willing to pay the regular law student research rate (\$11.75/hour) or a flat rate for the entire project.

STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS

- **The Cornell Law School Muslim Society**

“The 4-1-1 on Your Muslim Co-Workers and Clients: A Panel by CLS Muslim Students”

Wednesday, April 1

4:15-5:50 p.m. Mancuso Amphitheater (room G90)

Need some info on future Muslim clients and co-workers? Want to know more about the religion of Islam? A panel of Muslim law students at CLS are here to help! We will be touching on the basics of the faith, our varied personal views on our identities, answering any questions you may have, and offering practical advice for the work environment. Catered food and drinks will also be provided.

Questions? Contact **Yousef Mian** at yumm9@cornell.edu

- **Cornell's Legal Information Institute Bulletin**

Save the Date! LII Writing Competition, April 10-April 13

Cornell's Legal Information Institute Bulletin (LIIBULLETIN) will hold its **annual writing competition** to select Associate Editors from the Class of 2011. The competition will **begin on Friday, April 10** and **end on Monday, April 13**. Be on the lookout for more information on LIIBULLETIN's writing competition and interview process. Meanwhile, visit www.law.cornell.edu/bulletin

Questions about LII? Ask Editor-in-Chief **Lauren Jones** (lej34@cornell.edu), Executive Editor **Katie Worthington** (kaw245@cornell.edu), or Managing Editors **Lara Haddad** (lh347@cornell.edu), **James McConnell** (jhm263@cornell.edu), **Lucienne Pierre** (lp259@cornell.edu), and **Joe Rancour** (jmr376@cornell.edu). We hope you consider joining LIIBULLETIN!

- **Cornell Student Animal Legal Defense Fund**

“What Ithaca Does for Animals”

Wednesday, April 1

5:00 p.m. Saperston Student Lounge

The Cornell Student Animal Legal Defense Fund presents *“What Ithaca Does for Animals.”* Panelists **Gwen Wilkinson**, Tompkins County District Attorney, **Frank Proto**, Tompkins County District 7 Legislator, **Abigail Smith**, Director of Tompkins County SPCA will discuss recent successes in animal protection as well as opportunities for local institutional coordination. **Questions?** Contact

Deborah Press at ddp26@cornell.edu

- **Public Interest Law Union (PILU)**

“Behind Bars: Issues in Incarceration”

Wednesday, April 1

4:00-5:00 p.m. (with reception to follow) **Room 285**

Speaker: Elizabeth Gaynes

Liz Gaynes, Executive Director of the **Osborne Association** will be discussing issues relating to incarcerated parents and the difficulties of keeping families intact during incarceration. For more on The Osborne Association: <http://www.osborneny.org/index.html>. Sponsored by PILU and the Clarke Program on Feminist Jurisprudence

Thursday, April 2

11:15-12:15 p.m. Room 285

Prison Panel Discussion

Join us for a panel discussion and pizza! Panelists include:

Betsy Sterling, Director of Special Litigation, Prisoners' Legal Services of New York

Mary Katzenstein, Stephen and Evalyn Milman Professor of American Studies, Cornell University
Government Department and Cornell At Auburn Program

Patricia Warth, Co-Director of Justice Strategies, Center for Community Alternatives

Alan Rosenthal, Co-Director of Justice Strategies, Center for Community Alternatives

Liz Gaynes, Executive Director, The Osborne Association

Topics will include mental health services, access to education, keeping families intact, and re-entry and employment post-incarceration. Sponsored by PILU and GPSAFC.

Friday, April 3

Elmira Prison Tour

If you're signed up for the tour, please be on the look-out for emails from **Lauren Mitchell** (lam288@cornell.edu).

Questions? Contact **Lauren Mitchell** at: lam288@cornell.edu

FROM THE CORNELL LAW SCHOOL ALUMNI AFFAIRS OFFICE

- **Cornell Law School Moot Court Alumni Reception**

Saturday, April 4

Join us for the **inaugural Moot Court Club reunion!** Invited guests include Moot Court Alumni as well as current Law School students who have spent the past year competing in the 2008-2009 competitions. Reunite with your teammates and alumni and share your strategies. Whether it was The Cuccia Cup, The Winter Cup, or The Langfan First-Year competition -you've got a story to tell.

4:00-5:30 p.m.

Cornell Law School, Myron Taylor Hall Foyer

Cost: an exciting story

Immediately following the reception, The Langfan First-Year competition will commence at 6:00 p.m. in the John W. MacDonald Moot Court Room. **RSVPs** required.

- **Cornell Law School Alumni Networking Reception in Miami**

Monday, April 6

You are invited to a Cornell Law School and Cornell Law Association Alumni Networking Reception, co-Sponsored with the Southeast Regional Office.

Join Cornell Law School alumni for a special evening of networking, cocktails and hors d'oeuvres. An "open mic" session will be offered throughout the evening, enhancing your networking opportunities.

6:00-8:00 p.m.

White & Case LLP

Wachovia Financial Center, 200 South Biscayne Blvd., Suite 4900, Miami, Florida

Cost: \$15 per person advance registration; \$20 per person at the door.

A special thanks to **Jaime Bianchi**, JD '91 and White & Case for hosting this event!

Please **RSVP** by **Monday, March 30**

- **"Staying Strong in Turbulent Times: Cornell Law School and CLS Alumni"**

Tuesday, April 7

You are invited to a Cornell Law School and Cornell Law Association Alumni Reception and Program Presented by **Stewart J. Schwab**, The Allan R. Tessler Dean and Professor of Law

6:00 p.m. Reception & 7:00 p.m. Presentation begins

Paul Hastings, 191 N. Wacker Drive, 30th Floor, Chicago, IL

Cost: \$20 per person

Special thanks to **Stacey Kern**, JD '96 and Paul Hastings for hosting this event.

Please RSVP by Tuesday, **March 31**

• ***“In the Matter of Color: Race and the Supreme Court of New Jersey”***

Tuesday, April 21

You are invited to the Cornell Law School and Cornell Law Association New Jersey Annual Dinner Presented by Justice **Roberto Rivera-Soto**, JD '77, Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of New Jersey

6:00 p.m. Reception & 7:00-9:00 p.m. Dinner & Speaker

Maplewood Country Club, 28 Baker Street, Maplewood, New Jersey

Cost: \$50 per person / \$35 public service and young alumni (1998-2008)

Please **RSVP** by **Tuesday, April 14**

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

UNIVERSITY EVENT

Wednesday, April 1

5:30 p.m. Goldwin Smith Hall, HEC Auditorium

Feminists for Life Speaker **Karen Shablin** **“Abortion: A Betrayal of Feminism”**

Karen Shablin will address the impact of healthcare policymaking on abortion, including the controversial implementation of the family cap in welfare reform. Founded in 1972, FFL is a national non-sectarian, grassroots organization that continues the efforts of the early American feminists, including Susan B. Anthony and Elizabeth Cady Stanton, to systematically eliminate the root causes that drive women to abortion by facilitating practical solutions. Most recently, FFL's efforts on college campuses have inspired the introduction of the Elizabeth Cady Stanton Pregnant and Parenting Student Services Act, which would provide grants to eligible institutions of higher education to establish student services offices for students who are pregnant or parenting, students anticipating a birth or adoption, and students who place a child for adoption.

The lecture is sponsored by Cornell Coalition for Life. For more information contact **Katie Weible** at 630-881-9010. FFL's website is www.feministsforlife.org

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