≈ Calendar of Events ≈
Week of February 27, 2012

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

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 27
6:00-8:00 p.m. Reception for ALSA students and faculty at Associate Dean Lukingbeal’s home. Everyone welcome. Details on page 2, Associate Dean Lukingbeal’s column.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 28
3:30-5:00 p.m. Room 263. Office hours for students with Dean Schwab. Details on page 2, Dean Schwab’s column.

6:00 p.m. Saperston Student Lounge. Women’s Law Coalition (WLC) screening of Miss Representation. Details on page 6, Student Organizations.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 29

2:30-4:30 p.m. Room G59. Counseling and Psychological Services (CAPS). Free and confidential consultation for law students. Details on page 6, Wai-Kwong Wong’s/CAPS column.

3:00-4:00 p.m. Foyer. The Weekly Perk-Faculty/Student Coffee. Stop by for a cup! Details on page 3, Associate Dean Lukingbeal’s column.
FROM STEWART J. SCHWAB, THE ALLAN R. TESSLER DEAN
Office Hours for Students
I will be holding office hours for students on Tuesday afternoons between 3:30 p.m. and 5:00 p.m. Students wishing to see me may either sign up in advance with Liz Flint in room 263, by email (es232@cornell.edu) or by phone (607-255-3539).

FROM NAN COLVIN, REGISTRAR

Spring 12
• Summer School Study - Students may petition the faculty for permission to take courses in law summer school programs of ABA-approved law schools and, upon their successful completion, to receive credit toward the Cornell J.D. degree. Such petitions are considered on an individual basis, and in no case is credit in excess of six hours granted for all such summer school law study. For timely consideration of the petition, interested students should submit their petitions to the Law School Registrar's Office (addressed to Dean Lukingbeal) prior to April 1. Petition forms are available in the Law School Registrars Office and online at the Registrar’s site: http://registrar.lawschool.cornell.edu at the Forms and Requests tab/Summer/Winter Intersession Course Credit Request.

• 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 2012. Check with the Board of Bar Examiners in the state in which you plan to seek admissions to the bar for updated information on MPRE requirements. Passing scores, which are established by each jurisdiction, are subject to change. It is held at established test centers across the country. Ramada Ithaca Executive Conference Center, 2310 N. Triphammer Rd., Ithaca, NY 14850 is the March test center for the Ithaca area. The exam is scheduled for Saturday, March 17, 2012, approximately 9:00 a.m.

All applicants must report to the test center by 9:00 a.m. Testing will begin as soon as all applicants have been checked in and seated. If you arrive after testing has begun, you will not be admitted. NCBE cannot be responsible if you are delayed or unable to reach the test center because of weather or road conditions. Beginning and ending testing times may vary depending on the size of the test center and the number of rooms used. Applicants can expect testing to be completed 2-1/2 to 3 hours after the time noted above.

In order to be admitted to the test center, you must present your test center Admission Ticket with your photograph attached, as well as a current form of identification bearing your photograph and signature. Please bring a #2 pencil to the exam with you. If an Admission Ticket is misplaced, the examinee must contact the MPRE Application Department in Iowa City, IA, before the test date. Please be sure to check the MPRE Information booklet for what not to bring into the exam.

FROM ANNE LUINKINGBEAL, ASSOCIATE DEAN AND DEAN OF STUDENTS
• Reception for ALSA students and faculty
Monday, February 27
6:00-8:00 p.m. at my home
Hosted by the Asian Pacific American Law Students (APALSA), Native American Law Students, Association (NALSA), Black Law Students Association (BLSA), Latino American Law Students,
Association (LALSA), South Asian Law Students Association (SALSA) and LAMBDA. Everyone welcome. For maps to my home, stop by the Registrar’s Office.

- **The Weekly Perk for Faculty and Students**
  **Wednesday, February 29**
  **3:00-4:00 p.m. in the Foyer**
  Sponsored by the Dean’s Office, the Dean of Students Office, and CLSA. Enjoy a cup of coffee with your faculty and friends, every Wednesday at 3:00 except during spring break.

FROM KAREN COMSTOCK, ASSISTANT DEAN FOR PUBLIC SERVICE AND LIZ PECK, DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SERVICE

- 1Ls and 2Ls
  The 2012 PIF Summer Grant application deadline is Thursday, March 1
  - Go to: [http://support.law.cornell.edu/career/PIF/index.cfm](http://support.law.cornell.edu/career/PIF/index.cfm) Access is Net ID-authenticated.
  - You must complete and submit as much of the application as you can by **Thursday, March 1**
  - If you have not found a job by March 1, that’s OK! As soon as your summer placement is finalized, you can return to your initial application and update the information.
  - If you do not submit the application by March 1, you will not be eligible for a PIF grant.
  - If you change your mind later and decide not to take the PIF grant, that’s OK. Just let us know.
  - Once your application is finalized and processed, we will contact you to set up a brief mandatory meeting to explain how you will be paid, and, if applicable, the work-study paperwork your employer will need to complete.
  - Let us know if you have any questions.

FROM JOHN DEROSA, ASSISTANT DEAN FOR STUDENT AND CAREER SERVICES, TIFFANY SEPULVEDA, DIRECTOR OF CAREER SERVICES AND LYNDSEY BULLOCK, ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF CAREER SERVICES

- All Students
  Career Services Programs
  **Tuesday, March 13**
  **12:15-1:15 p.m.**
  **Out at Work, with LAMBDA and White & Case**
Wednesday, March 28
12:15-1:15 p.m.
Super-Attorney! Chat with David Altoff of Marvel Entertainment

Tuesday, April 24
12:15-1:15 p.m.
How to Succeed as a Summer Associate

- 1L Students
  Spring 2012 Law Firm Receptions
  During the course of this semester law firms will host on-campus receptions in order to introduce you to their attorneys, practice areas, and summer program in advance of 2L fall recruiting. The event is open for you to mingle with the attorneys, ask any questions you may have, and enjoy some food and drinks.
  Upcoming law firm receptions will take place on:
  - Thursday, March 1
  - Tuesday, March 6
  - Wednesday, March 14
  Please watch your email for additional law firm reception invitations throughout the semester.

1L Career Services Programs
Tuesday, April 10
4:00 p.m.
Introduction to Fall Recruiting

Thursday, April 12
4:00 p.m.
To Wear or Not to Wear? (We Have the Answer): Mastering Interview Attire

Monday, April 16
12:15-1:15 p.m.
Alternative Fall Recruiting Strategies

Thursday, April 26
4:00 p.m.
Effective Interviewing Workshop

- 2012 Fall Recruiting Dates
  August New York Job Fair: Monday-Wednesday, August 6-8
  Boston Job Fair: Monday, August 13
  Los Angeles Job Fair: Friday, August 17
  Washington, DC Job Fair: Friday, August 31

  On-Campus:
  #1 – Monday-Wednesday, August 27-29
  #2 – Wednesday-Thursday, September 5-6
  #3 – Monday-Wednesday, September 10-12
  #4 – Wednesday-Thursday, September 19-20
THE CLARKE PROGRAM IN EAST ASIAN LAW AND CULTURE  
COLLOQUIUM SERIES  
Wednesday February 29  
12:20-1:15 p.m.  
Room 277  
Yohihisa Hayakawa, Professor of Law, Rikkyo University, “UNCITRAL Online Dispute Resolution WG – An Ambitious Challenge by UN for Making New World-Wide Uniform Rules.” Lunch will be served. Please RSVP to Donna Hastings dkh25@cornell.edu

FROM THE ALUMNI IN TEACHING COMMITTEE  
March 7  
12:15-1:15 p.m.  
Mancuso Amphitheater (room G90)  
“Thinking About a Career in Law Teaching? Learn Strategies for Law School and Beyond”  
Refreshments will be served.  
Panelists include: Joel Atlas, Clinical Professor of Law, Cornell Law School; Josh Chafetz, Associate Professor of Law, Cornell Law School; Michael Dorf, Robert S. Stevens Professor of Law, Cornell Law School; Michael Frakes, Assistant Professor of Law, Cornell Law School; Bernadette Meyler, Professor of Law, Cornell Law School; Gregory Parks JD ’08, Assistant Professor of Law, Wake Forest University School of Law.

Moderator: Valerie Hans (Chair of Alumni in Teaching Committee), Professor of Law, Cornell Law School.

FROM PATINA JANISKO, DIRECTOR OF FINANCIAL AID  
- Drop In Office Hours for the Academic Year 2011-2012  
  Monday: 2:00-3:00 p.m.  
  Tuesday: 2:00-3:00 p.m.  
  Wednesday: 10:00-11:00 a.m., 2:00-3:00 p.m.  
  Thursday: 2:00-3:00 p.m.  
  Friday: 10:00-11:00 a.m.  
  Or by appointment: (607) 255-5141 or financialaid@lawschool.cornell.edu  
The financial aid staff is also available to help with any questions that you may have if I am unavailable.

- Loan Repayment Seminar  
  March 7  
  4:00 to 6:00 p.m.  
  Mancuso Amphitheater (room G90)  
  Are you concerned about your student loans and how you'll manage repaying them? You’re probably not alone. The good news is that repayment can be manageable (and affordable) if you have a strategy for success. We are sponsoring a two-hour seminar on loan repayment for all interested students. We've invited Dr. Jeffrey E. Hanson to come speak with you about this important issue. He is a nationally recognized expert on student loan repayment and the options that are available to you in managing this important financial responsibility.

This interactive session will focus on the following elements in developing your own strategy and provides suggestions for loan repayment success:
- Understanding your loan terms and conditions
- Knowing how much you have to repay and to whom
Defining your short- and long-term financial goals
Developing an affordable budget plan and estimating affordable monthly payments
Selecting the repayment plan that best achieves your financial goals
Understanding your options if you cannot afford to make a loan payment when one is due
Taking advantage of loan forgiveness programs when you qualify for them
Keeping good financial records

The seminar will be presented on March 7, 2012 from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. in the Mancuso Amphitheater (room G90). Cookies, Coffee and water will be served. All students are invited to attend this seminar. We particularly encourage all students who are graduating this spring to attend. Doing so will give you very useful information and get you started on the right path to managing loan repayment. Please RSVP by sending an email to financialaid@lawschool.cornell.edu if you plan to attend. If you are unsure if you will be joining us and will decide closer to the seminar, please RSVP so we can count you in and then come if you can. Contact us if you have any questions.

FROM WAI-KWONG WONG, 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, 2:30 to 4:30 p.m.
Where: Myron Taylor Hall, Room G59
Who: Wai-Kwong Wong, Ph.D., Counselor from Gannett Health Services
For additional hours and counselor biographies: www.gannett.cornell.edu/LetsTalk

STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS
• Asian Pacific American Law Students Association (APALSA)
  Monday, March 5
  4:00 p.m.
  Saperston Student Lounge
  The Asian Pacific American Law Students Association will be hosting a discussion with Andrew (Andy) Hahn, a Partner at Duane Morris LLP, on tips for success in the legal profession. Mr. Hahn focuses his practice on commercial litigation matters involving contract disputes, including franchising, insurance, commercial leases, banking, employment, and software licensing matters and other corporate disputes. Mr. Hahn received his J.D. from Cornell Law School in 1986, and a B.A. in History, cum laude, from Cornell University in 1983. Refreshments will be served. Questions? Contact Jun Li at jl2649@cornell.edu.

• Women’s Law Coalition (WLC)
  Tuesday, February 28
  6:00 p.m.
  Saperston Student Lounge
  WLC invites you to a screening of Miss Representation, an award-winning and thoughtful documentary that examines the media’s portrayal of women and the lack of powerful female role models in the public consciousness. Please join us to view and discuss this Sundance film festival featured film. Food will be provided. Questions? Contact Connie Lam at cyl39@cornell.edu
WRITING COMPETITIONS

• The Supreme Court of Oklahoma, the Oklahoma Indian Affairs Commission, the Sovereignty Symposium, Inc., and the Oklahoma Arts Council are sponsoring the Chief Justice John B. Doolin Writing Competition. The subject matter may be on any area of the law relating to Native Americans or other indigenous peoples. Entries must be received no later than March 31, 2012. Information about the competition is available at the Registrar’s Office.

• The University of Connecticut School of Law has established a Student Legal Writing Competition to encourage and reward original student writing on legal issues affecting persons struggling with homelessness, mental illness, addiction, or substance abuse. Papers will be accepted from any student enrolled for the 2011-12 academic year in an ABA-accredited law school in the United States or Canada. All students intending to enter the competition must register by April 16, 2012. Entries must be received by 5:00 p.m. on June 1, 2012. Information about the competition is available at the Registrar’s Office.

• Notre Dame Law School announces its annual Smith-Doheny Legal Ethics Writing Competition on the topic of legal ethics. The competition is open to all law students at U.S. and Canadian law schools. Entries must be received before 5:00 p.m. on Friday, April 27, 2012. For information on the competition, visit the website at: http://www.nd.edu/~ndlaw/writing_competitions smith_doheny.pdf

• The International Association of Defense Counsel announces its Legal Writing Contest is open to JD students who, at the time of submission of their entries, are enrolled for the 2011-12 academic year in an accredited law school. Entries must be submitted in the English language on a subject of practical concern to lawyers engaged in the defense or management of the defense of civil litigation, such as relevant aspects of tort law, insurance law, civil procedure, evidence, damages, alternative dispute resolution procedures, and professional ethics. Submission deadline is May 18, 2012. Contest rules, writing guidelines, and the entry form are available at: http://www.iadclaw.org/publications/contest.aspx

• The Theodore Tannenwald, Jr. Foundation for Excellence in Tax Scholarship and the American College of Tax Counsel announce their 2012 Tannenwald Writing Competition. Papers may be submitted by JD, LLM or JSD students. Submitted papers may focus on any federal or state tax-related topic. Deadline for submission: July 3, 2012. Complete competition rules are available online at: http://www.tannenwald.org/competition/

POSITIONS AVAILABLE

• Professor Jacobson seeks a part-time Summer Research Assistant to assist on personal research projects related to securities arbitration. No prior securities law experience needed. Can be conducted remotely, no need to be in Ithaca. Paid at law school research rate. Submit resume, letter of interest, and (unofficial) transcript as soon as possible to Professor William Jacobson, waj24@cornell.edu

• The Avon Global Center for Women and Justice at Cornell Law School seeks several research associates for the summer. Students will work on a variety of international legal research and outreach projects relating to the Center’s gender justice work. Applicants are encouraged to apply for a summer public interest funding (PIF) grant and seek federal work study grants for compensation. To apply, please email a cover letter, resume and (unofficial) transcript to womenandjustice@lawschool.cornell.edu, ideally by March 2, 2012. Decisions will be made on a rolling basis, and early application is encouraged.

• The Securities Law Clinic seeks a full or part-time Summer Clinic Intern to work on existing cases and projects, for approximately 8-10 weeks. No prior securities law experience needed. Requires at least some presence in Ithaca over the summer. Paid at law school research rate. Submit resume, letter of
interest, and (unofficial) transcript as soon as possible to **Professor William Jacobson**, waj24@cornell.edu

**UNIVERSITY EVENT**

**Friday, March 2**

5:45 p.m.

Statler Auditorium

**Annual Meeting of the President’s Council of Cornell Women**

**Keynote Speaker U.S. Senator Kirsten Gillibrand (N.Y.)**

Open to the Cornell community. **The talk is free but requires preregistration by emailing cornell@gillibrand.senate.gov**

**Senator Gillibrand** (pronounced (JILL-uh-brand) has been the junior senator of New York since former N.Y. Gov. David Paterson appointed her in January 2009 to replace Hillary Clinton, now the U.S. Secretary of State.

Prior to her appointment as U.S. senator, Gillibrand was an upstate New York congresswoman known for bold political moves and centrist policies. A Democrat representing the state's heavily Republican 20th district, Gillibrand has advocated for gay marriage and women's rights and opposed gun control. Prior to her political career, she was a securities lawyer. She lives in Greenport, N.Y.

**Doors will open March 2 at 5:15 p.m.** All names will be checked at the door; organizers recommend that those planning to attend arrive early.

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