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EVENTS & LECTURES

AFL-CIO COUNSEL VISITS THIS WEEK

Attorney Marsha Berzon is visiting the Law School this week as part of the Law School's Practitioner-In-Residence Program. Ms. Berzon serves as Associate General Counsel for the AFL-CIO and is an Early Neutral Evaluator and mediator for the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of California. Ms. Berzon was nominated to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit by President Clinton in January, 1998, and is awaiting confirmation.

During her visit, Ms. Berzon will be participating in several law classes, including Women in the Law, Employment Law, Legal Professions and Trial Process. On Wednesday, October 14, 1998 she will have breakfast with the presidents of the Law School student organizations. Ms. Berzon will meet with members of PILF and the Women's Law Caucus the same day at 4:15 p.m. (both events will be held in the 3rd floor Faculty Lounge). On Thursday, October 15, Ms. Berzon will discuss her legal career and the judicial confirmation process. The talk will be held at 12:00 p.m. in Room 122; all students are invited to attend. Questions regarding Ms. Berzon's visit may be directed to Professor Aviva Orenstein or Associate Dean Kelly Townes.

INDIANA CIVIL LIBERTIES UNION PRESENTS PANEL DISCUSSION ON PROS AND CONS OF GUN CONTROL

The Indiana Civil Liberties Union will present a panel discussion on the Pros and Cons of Gun Control, Tuesday, October 13, at 7:00 p.m. in the Law School Faculty Lounge. Speakers include the Law School's resident sportsman, Earl Singleton. Law students and the public are invited.
On Tuesday, October 13, George T. Patton, Jr. of Bose McKinney & Evans will present a discussion on the oral advocacy in Room 123 (Moot Court Room) at 4:30 p.m. The Moot Court Board is sponsoring the event.

George T. Patton, Jr., is a graduate of Indiana University School of Law, cum laude 1987, and practices primarily in appellate litigation, voting rights, and administrative law. He was an Adjunct Assistant Professor of Appellate Advocacy at the Indiana University School of Law - Bloomington for five years and has been the author of three annual articles in the Indiana Law Review on appellate procedure. He also co-authored a chapter on appellate briefs in The Attorney's Guide to the Seventh Circuit Court of Appeals. Prior to joining the firm, he served for two years as a judicial law clerk to Indiana Chief Justice Randall T. Shepard. Mr. Patton is currently Chairperson of the Appellate Practice Section, Indiana State Bar Association.

Mr. Patton's discussions in previous years have focused on the "deadly sins" of oral advocacy. This discussion should be both entertaining and informative. We encourage all interested students to attend.

**FACULTY AND NINTH CIRCUIT COURT OF APPEALS NOMINEE DEMONSTRATE THE ART OF APPELLATE ADVOCACY**

On Thursday, October 15, Professors Aviva A. Orenstein and Seth Lahn and Practitioner-in-Residence Marsha Berzon will demonstrate the art of appellate advocacy in Room 123 (Moot Court Room) at 7:00 p.m.

Professor Orenstein teaches in the areas of Evidence, Legal Professions, and Children and the Law. Professor Orenstein received her J.D. from Cornell Law School and clerked for the Honorable Judge Edward R. Becker in the Third Circuit Court of Appeals from 1987 to 1988. She was a member of the faculty at Rutgers Law School before joining IU Law Faculty.

Professor Seth Lahn joined the Law School in 1995 and teaches Legal Research and Writing. He also is the Assistant Director of the Child Advocacy Clinic. Professor Lahn received his J.D. from Yale Law School and clerked for the Honorable Edward Cahn. He then entered private practice with Webster & Sheffield in New York from 1983 to 1989. After private practice, Professor Lahn served as Assistant Commissioner at the Indiana Department of Human Services, Deputy General Counsel with the Indiana Family and Social Services Administration, and Deputy Attorney General for the State of Indiana.

Ms. Berzon serves as Associate General Counsel for the AFL-CIO and has been nominated to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit by President Clinton. Her legal career includes clerk ing for Justice William J. Brennan, Jr., of the U.S. Supreme Court and for Judge James R. Browning of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit.

The Moot Court Board encourages all who are interested to attend what promises to be a very informative demonstration.

**JUDICIAL CLERKSHIP INFORMATION SESSION**
The Committee on Career Services and Judicial Clerkships cordially invites you to attend an information session on judicial clerkships on Wednesday, October 14, 1998, at noon in the Moot Court Room. Every student considering applying for a clerkship in the federal courts should attend this session. The session will include presentations by ’98 IU grads, Carla Garino and Jason Basile, who have clerkships in the United States District Court for the Southern District of Indiana. Ms. Garino and Mr. Basile will describe their clerkship experiences and the reasons why they opted to start their post-graduation careers with clerkships. They also will take questions from students. In addition, Professors Sophia Goodman and Sarah Jane Hughes will discuss the clerkship application process and schedule. Clerkships in the federal courts are prestigious ways to begin legal careers and lead to employment opportunities with major law firms, the Department of Justice, and the various United States Attorneys Offices around the country. Clerkships are considered highly desirable for persons interested in teaching, particularly in teaching in law schools. In recent years, two IU graduates who have had Federal Court of Appeals clerkships have gone on to teach law, including Kellye Testy (who will be a visiting professor here in the Spring) and Scott Idleman. Dean Fred Aman, Associate Dean Lauren Robel, and Professors Gene Shreve, David Williams, Susan Williams, Joe Hoffmann, Bruce Markell, Aviva Orenstein, Dan Conkle, Craig Bradley, Bob Heidt, Dawn Johnsen, and Sophia Goodman, among other faculty, had federal court clerkships before joining the faculty. Members of the Committee on Career Services and Judicial Clerkships and staff of the Career Services Office are available to assist every interested student in finalizing their applications for judicial clerkships. If you have questions about clerkships or the application process, we urge you first to come to the briefing session on October 14, or to view the tape of the session that will be available in the CSO.

Students interested primarily in clerkships with federal bankruptcy and magistrate judges and with state court judges are welcome at the October 14th session. CSO will arrange another orientation session covering these clerkships in mid-January. Applications for these positions typically are due in the late winter or early spring.

NEWS FROM THE RECORDER

SECOND SEMESTER 1998-99 REGISTRATION

As usual, law students will register for Law School courses for the second semester in-house. Joint degree students and those taking an outside (non-law) course may pick up their admission ticket from the Recorder's Office, starting Monday, October 19. Students will then be able to use this ticket to register for those outside courses with the University at scheduled times on October 22 and 23 for priority consideration. Registering at a later date for these courses remains a possibility. In addition, students who are not joint degree students will need to have Dean Fromm's prior approval to register for an outside course. Approval forms are in Rooms 022 and 024.

Here is the schedule for in-house registration for all law courses:

3Ls (May & August 1999 graduates) - Wednesday, October 21
1Ls - Friday, October 23 (students will learn to which sections they have been assigned when they go through registration in the Recorder's Office, Room 022)

2Ls - Monday, October 26

LLM, MCL, SJD, Certificate of Legal Studies, Exchange students - Monday, Oct. 26

Usual priority rules will apply for second- and third-year students. Priority will be lost, however, if students miss registering during their assigned October 21 and 26 dates. As usual, there is no priority given for first-in-line to register during the assigned days.

Schedule grids and course descriptions (2Ls and 3Ls) will be placed in the mail slots. Some additional information will be posted on the Student Affairs bulletin board adjacent to the mail slots.

INDIANA STATE BAR APPLICATIONS

Indiana State Bar applications for the February 1999 exam are available in the Recorder's Office. The filing deadline is November 15, 1998.

NEWS FROM STUDENT AFFAIRS OFFICE

MPRE (Multi-state Professional Responsibility Exam)

The MPRE is scheduled for Friday, November 13. It will be held again in March, August, and November of 1999. The deadline for applying for this coming November is October 16, with November 4 being a late application deadline upon the payment of an extra fee. Application packets are available in Room 024.

Each year rumors abound about how the exam is changing. Indeed, the examination coverage is changing somewhat, starting with the March exam. Those changes are enumerated on the bulletin boards adjacent to the mail slots and across the corridor from Room 022. However, there is no accuracy to the rumor that the exam will become an essay exam; it will continue to be multiple choice.

Also, please note that Indiana and some other states permit the taking of this exam within two years of graduation; i.e., one could take it during the second year of law school. But, please note especially that Illinois and some other states require that the exam be taken no earlier than the third year of law school. Florida currently does not permit one to take this exam until the regular bar exam has been taken.

Finally, BAR/BRI will be holding a review session for the November MPRE exam approximately a week before the exam. Representatives will be taking applications shortly.

LAWYER'S BAR REVIEW FOR INDIANA BAR EXAM - NEWS
The Lawyer's Bar Review, the Indiana-based bar review that most of our graduates have taken, has announced that it has been purchased by BAR/BRI. It will continue to service students, but under the BAR/BRI ownership. BAR/BRI is apparently now in all 50 states.

GRADUATE PICTURE TAKING

Graduation picture taking for the composite graduation pictures (see the second floor corridor walls) will take place on November 4 and again on November 10 for students graduating this December, next May, and next August. This includes all the JD graduates, and all the MCL, LLM, and SJD graduates as well. The sign-up sheets for reserving your picture-taking time are on the bulletin board in the corridor across from Room 022. Thanks.

SMOKER ALERT

When smoking on the garden patio, please exercise prudence regarding the volume level of animated conversation when noticing that a class is being held in the adjacent Room 121.

NEWS FROM CAREER SERVICES

UPCOMING EVENTS & CAREER FAIR

Benefits of the Bar Association

*October 13, noon, Room 121*

The Indiana State Bar Association's Opportunities for Minorities Committee and the Young Lawyers Division present a panel discussion on how the bar association can assist you in your career. Please join us for insights from practicing attorneys. Pizza will be served!

Federal Judicial Clerkships

*October 14, noon, Moot Court Room*

Current clerks will discuss their experiences as a Federal law clerk. We will also cover the application process, timing and strategies. If you are interested in obtaining a post-graduate federal clerkship, or just want to find out more, please join us.

Practitioner in Residence Marsha Berzon

*October 15, 12:15 p.m., Mt. Ct. Room*

Ms. Berzon has had a distinguished career, including serving as a law clerk to Justice William Brennan, Jr., and for Judge James R. Browning of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit. She presently serves as Associate General Counsel of the AFL-CIO. In addition, she has been nominated to the United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit in January 1998 and is awaiting confirmation. She will discuss her career and the judicial confirmation process.
Career Fair

October 20, 11:45-12:30, Lobby

Our third annual Career Fair brings in a number of attorneys from a variety of practice areas and settings to talk one-on-one with students in the main foyer. Stop by each attorney's table and learn about his or her practice area, career path and practice setting. Receive helpful tips on how to conduct a productive job search. Learn to network by actually doing it!

NEWS FROM STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS

FEDERALIST SOCIETY LAWYERS AT THE LION

The Federalist Society will sponsor the first in a series of Lawyers at the Lion presentations this week. Professor Roger Dworkin will be speaking on "New Genetic Technologies: Ethics and Law" at The Irish Lion, 212 E. Kirkwood Ave., on Wednesday, October 14 at 6:30 p.m. For more information please contact Brian Bailey at 331-9173 or brebaile@indiana.edu.

OUTLAW MEETING AND ELECTIONS

The Law School's gay and lesbian organization will meet Thursday, October 15, at 5:30 in Room 216. Elections will be held. We will be discussing the upcoming newsletter as well as issues which may soon be before the state legislature, such as same-sex couple adoptions. Everyone interested in furthering the rights of gays and lesbians, please join us.

PUBLIC INTEREST LAW FOUNDATION MEETING - UPCOMING EVENTS

PILF will have a meeting on Tuesday, October 13, at 12:15 p.m. in Room 122 (please note the room change). We will discuss upcoming events, including a Happy Hour with the Environmental Law Society (October 14, 6 p.m. at Nick's) and the NAPIL Conference.

PROTECTIVE ORDER PROJECT ETHICS 101 BROWN BAG

All Protective Order Project volunteers are invited to attend a meeting in Room 120 at noon on Tuesday, October 13, to discuss ethical issues that are likely to arise during the course of your work with our clients. Bring your lunch and any case-related questions.

SHERMAN MINTON MOOT COURT COMPETITION ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. Brief Grading Seminar
A seminar is scheduled on October 12 at 5:15 in Room 120 for those Board members who are involved in brief grading. Fall & Spring Problem Editors and members of the External Team should attend. Contact Leah Krider or Ximen Wolf if you have questions.
2. Oral Argument Schedule
On Tuesday, October 13, the Moot Court Board will post sign-up sheets for oral arguments. The sign-up sheets will be posted at 8:00 a.m. on the Moot Court bulletin board next to Room 011. Competitors will have the opportunity to select days and times of their oral arguments. Arguments will be held at 6:00 and 8:00 p.m. during the weeks of October 19-23, October 26-30, and November 2-6. Competitors should consult with their partners before choosing a specific date and time.

3. Meeting for All Bailiffs
A mandatory meeting is scheduled on October 15 from 12:00 to 1:00 p.m. in Room 121 for anyone serving as a bailiff in the Moot Court Competition. If you have any questions, contact Sarah Hogan (3L) (sbhogan).

STUDENT LAW ASSOCIATION BOOKSTORE

Students who have submitted textbooks to the bookstore which are not currently being used because of new editions should retrieve these books in the bookstore during regular office hours. A list of outdated texts will be posted soon. These texts will be recycled sometime early next semester, and a formal policy will be written stating how long SLA will keep an edition if it is not sold or becomes outdated. Questions can be answered at the SLA bookstore during regular bookstore hours.

WOMEN'S LAW CAUCUS MEETING

The Women's Law Caucus will hold a meeting on Wednesday, October 14, at 12:00 in Room 121. We will be signing up for committees. Come find out where you would like to serve this year!

WOMEN'S LAW CAUCUS, BUSINESS & LAW SOCIETY, AND INTERNATIONAL LAW ASSOCIATION ANTJE PETERSEN TO SPEAK

WLC, B&LS, and ILA are co-sponsoring a speaking event with Antje C. Petersen on Wednesday, October 14, at 4:30 p.m. in Room 125. Ms. Petersen is an international business lawyer at Ice Miller Donadio & Ryan in Indianapolis, and her talk is entitled "Practicing International Law in a Regional Firm." Pizza and drinks will be served. For more information about Ms. Petersen, see the ILA board in the Student Lounge.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

TRIAL ADVOCACY COMPETITION SELECTIONS

Selections for the Trial Competition teams will be posted next to the class announcement bulletin board on the 1st Floor by 5:00 p.m., Monday, Oct 12. Thanks to everyone for their enthusiastic participation.
AROUND TOWN

PROTECTIVE ORDER PROJECT SPONSORS DONATION DRIVE FOR MY SISTER'S CLOSET

A group of women in the community are organizing My Sister's Closet as a lending closet of clothing especially for the purpose of providing workforce attire for women pursuing employment in a job search program. The Closet, when it opens within a few weeks, will supply interview clothing and will continue to support women in the first weeks of employment until they become self-sufficient in providing their own work clothing. The organizers need donations of work attire--blazers, skirts, blouses, sweaters, tailored trousers, and footwear. They also need money donations to procure hosiery and to pay cleaning expenses and rent for the "store." At this point, anyone wishing to donate should contact the group at The Rise, the residential facility on South Washington operated by Middle Way House, or leave items with the P.O.P. in Room 010 during office hours from noon to 1:00 p.m. on weekdays. Or call 355-3745 for more information about volunteering and donating to the future of women in the community.

CALENDAR

Monday, October 12, Moot Court Brief Grading Seminar, 5:15 p.m., Room 120

Tuesday, October 13, Sign-up sheets for Moot Court Oral Arguments will be posted on the Moot Court bulletin board

Tuesday, October 13, Benefits of the Bar Association, noon, Room 121

Tuesday, October 13, P.O.P. Brown Bag, presentation on ethics, noon, Room 120

Tuesday, October 13, PILF meeting, 12:15 p.m., Room 122

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Tuesday, October 13, Panel Discussion on Pros and Cons of Gun Control, 7:00 p.m., Faculty Lounge

Wednesday, October 14, Judicial Clerkship Information Session, noon, Moot Court Room

Wednesday, October 14, WLC Meeting, 12:00 p.m., Room 121

Wednesday, October 14, Women's Law Caucus and PILF reception with Practitioner-In-Residence Marsha Berzon, 4:15 p.m., Faculty Lounge, 3rd Floor

Wednesday, October 14, "Practicing International Law in a Regional Firm"
by Antje C. Petersen, 4:30, Room TBA

Wednesday, October 14, ELS/PILF/EMA Happy Hour, Nick's, 6:00 to 8:00 p.m.

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