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Distinguished Service Award recipients announced

Jeffrey Kennedy, '67; Martin Montes, '95; Susan B. Noyes, '83; and Courtney Tobin, '92, will be presented with the Law School's Distinguished Service Award on Friday, Oct. 27. The four recipients were chosen for their service to their communities and the school in ways that far exceed traditional business, professional and civic duties. Kennedy is recognized for his service to the school as a long-term member of its Board of Visitors and to his local community. Montes has served on the Alumni Board and as a leader of the Latino Alumni Advisory Board. Noyes has championed the concept of social entrepreneurship and her work at Make it Better. Tobin is recognized for her outstanding service to the school and enduring commitment in leadership roles on the Alumni Board. The four recipients will be honored at a luncheon ceremony in the Indiana Memorial Union's Federal Room.

Robel elected to ABF Board of Directors
The American Bar Foundation (ABF) announced this week the election of Lauren K. Robel, '83, to its 15-member board of directors. Robel was named provost of Indiana University Bloomington and IU executive vice president in 2012. She is also the Val Nolan Professor of Law at the Law School, where she served as dean from 2002 to 2011 and as associate dean from 1991 to 2002. Robel will serve a five-year term that ends in August 2022. The ABF is among the world's leading research institutes for the empirical and interdisciplinary study of law. The organization has another Indiana Law connection: former Professor Ajay Mehrotra now serves as its director and research professor.

Richardson to receive IU's highest alumni honor
Five Indiana University alumni, including John F. "Jeff" Richardson, '77, will receive IU's Distinguished Alumni Service Award on Oct. 12. It is the university's highest award given to an alumna or alumnus. Richardson earned three degrees from IU, becoming the first full-time student elected to the Bloomington City Council, where he worked to found the city's youth shelter, pass landlord/tenant laws that still endure, and get handicapped accessibility and bike paths in place on campus. "His activity goes far beyond personal service, to lasting policy changes," said former Bloomington mayor Tomi Allison, who also served with Richardson on the city council. "That is his legacy." Richardson was previously inducted into the Law School's Academy of Law Alumni Fellows and a recipient of the school's Distinguished Service Award.

Intersession course on deliberative leadership debuts next month
Up to 18 2L and 3L students will head to Chicago next month for the Law School's first intersession course, which will take place over fall break. Taught by Randy Kiser, the course emphasizes the "soft skills" of judgment, communication, wisdom, leadership, persuasion, self-assessment, self-development and professionalism. Grounded in empirical studies of human behavior, the course is designed to promote client service, legal ethics and professional values. The course will be taught at Chapman and Cutler LLP and is being offered to students at no cost.

In brief...

- The Hon. Larry McKinney, '69, senior judge on the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Indiana, passed away Sept. 21. He is being remembered for his intelligence and sense of humor. Our thoughts go out to the McKinney family.
- Assistant Dean of Students Catherine Mathews and Director of Student Affairs Liz Ferrufino presented "Law School Mentoring Model: How Student Affairs Professionals Can Use Mentoring Principles to Support Marginalized Students" at
the 2017 National Association of Law Student Affairs Professionals Conference in Los Angeles.


• Prof. Jeannine Bell spoke with the Indianapolis Star about what constitutes a hate crime in Indiana.

• Prof. David Gamage has a new Tax Note, "Using Taxes to Support Multiple Health Insurance Risk Pools," on SSRN. He is ranked seventh among U.S. tax scholars for recent SSRN downloads.

• Several Indiana Law alumni will be participating in the Center for Applied Cybersecurity Research's annual Cybersecurity Summit on Oct. 19. The event is open to the public.

Upcoming alumni events

• Indianapolis -- Thursday, September 28. 5:30 - 6:30 p.m. Sheraton at Keystone Crossing (Suites 11 and 12).

• Washington, DC -- Wednesday, November 15. 5:30 - 7:30 p.m. IU Office of the VP for Government Relations, 1455 Pennsylvania Avenue Northwest.

Visit the events calendar for details as they become available and to RSVP. Contact lawalum@indiana.edu for further information.

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