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PRO BONO AND YOU

Our rules of professional responsibility set as an aspirational goal for every attorney, no matter what his or her practice area, the provision of *pro bono publico* services. Indiana's rule asks lawyers to meet that obligation through providing legal services at no or reduced cost to persons of limited means; by providing legal services to charitable groups or organizations; by serving in activities for improving the law, the legal system, or the legal profession; and by financial support for organizations that provide legal service to persons of limited means.

As the comment to Indiana's Rule 6.1 notes, "The basic responsibility for providing legal services for those unable to pay ultimately rests upon the individual lawyer, and personal involvement in the problems of the disadvantaged can be one of the most rewarding experiences in the life of a lawyer. Every lawyer, regardless of professional prominence or professional workload, should find time to participate in or otherwise support the provision of legal services to the disadvantaged." Pro bono publico service expresses our professional commitment to the rule of law, by working to assure access to justice regardless of means.

About 200 Indiana law students every year are involved in pro bono services. Here are some ways you can be involved here at the law school:

Environmental Law Research Group: The ELRG provides research assistance and advice to citizens and groups with environmental questions. Open to all students. Contact Andrew Yoder.

Inmate Legal Assistance Project: The ILAP offers students an opportunity to provide legal assistance under the supervision of an attorney to prisoners in the federal penitentiary at Terre Haute. Students visit the prison, interview prisoners, and provide legal advice and materials. Open to all students. Contact Kristin Herrmann.

Outreach for Legal Literacy: Outreach provides public education in law to fifth grade classes throughout the county. Students teach children about legal concepts and work with them to do a mock trial. Open to all students. Contact Kaarin Stahl.

Public Interest Law Foundation: PILF provides summer fellowships and other support to students who are interested in public interest careers, and does community service projects in Bloomington. Open to all students. Contact Angela Kolver

Protective Order Project: The POP provides free legal services to victims of abuse. Students work directly with local attorneys in providing client services, including interviewing clients, drafting pleadings and other documents, and appearing in court. Open to all students. Contact John Halstead.

Once you have completed your first year, two clinics, both of which are operated for credit, are available for you.

Child Advocacy Clinic: The CAC represents children in custody disputes before the Monroe County Circuit Court, on appointment by that court. Under the supervision of an attorney, students conduct investigations and make recommendations to the court on custody determinations. The course involves work with other disciplines, such as social work and psychology, and court appearances. Open to second- and third-year students. Contact Professor Amy Applegate.

Community Legal Clinic: The CLC represents low-income citizens in family law matters. Under the supervision of an attorney, students perform investigations, draft pleadings and other documents, conduct discovery, and conduct court hearings. Open to students who have completed 43 hours toward graduation, taken Evidence, and have completed or are taking the Legal Professions course.

EVENTS & LECTURES

ROMANIAN AMBASSADOR VISITS IU TODAY

The Honorable Sorin Dumitru Ducaru, Romanian Ambassador to the United States, will visit the Indiana University Bloomington campus on Monday, Feb. 18, to give a lecture on

"Romania's Evolving Role in the International Environment: Choices, Challenges, Changes," at 4 p.m. in the Walnut Room of the Indiana Memorial Union. The lecture is sponsored by the IU Russian and East European Institute.

VISITING SCHOLAR TO ADDRESS DIVERSITY AND LAW IN KAZAKHSTAN

Dana Saparbayeva, visiting scholar from Kazakhstan, will speak about that country's ethnic diversity and constitutional history on Feb. 21, at 4:30 p.m., in room 124.

POYNTER CENTER SEMINAR ON SELF-DEFENSE

Professor Marcia Baron, from the IU Department of Philosophy, will give a presentation on "Self- Defense, The Reasonable Belief Requirement" on Thursday, Feb. 21, at 4:00 p.m., at the Poynter Center (618 E. Third Street). Baron's paper defends an objective standard of 'reasonably believes' as the right standard to employ for self-defense in criminal law. It is often supposed that we need to employ a subjective standard if we are to do justice to the self-defense claims of battered women who kill their batterers when the batterer is asleep. However, an objective standard, properly understood, is adequate to the task, provided that we abandon the imminence requirement in favor of a necessity requirement.

Light refreshments will be served. Please RSVP to Kathy Jacobson (855-0261) or poynter@indiana.edu

YVONNE CRIPPS TO INAUGURATE CHAIR WITH TALK ON GENETIC ENGINEERING

On Feb. 27, Professor Cripps will inaugurate the Harry T. Ice Chair with a lecture titled "Combinations and Recombinations: A Lawyer's View of the Science and Art of Genetic Engineering." The lecture, at 4:00 p.m. in the Moot Court Room, will be followed by a reception in the faculty lounge.

NEWS FROM THE FACULTY

Professor Stake has published "Pushing Evolutionary Analysis of Law" in the *Florida Law Review*. Any student wanting a copy should ask his secretary, Marjorie Young (on the third floor).

NEWS FROM STUDENT AFFAIRS OFFICE

SCHOLARSHIP AVAILABLE FOR RESEARCH IN ENGLAND

Earl A. Snyder, an alumnus of Indiana University School of Law and Cambridge University, has generously provided support for an IU law student (current 2L or 3L) to work at the Research Centre for International Law of Cambridge University during the fall of 2002 (September through November). A current 2L, if selected, would need to take a leave of absence for the fall semester.

Mr. Snyder will provide airfare, housing, meal allowance, and a small stipend. The Centre expects that the Snyder Scholar will be in residence for about three months and will conduct independent scholarly research with a view toward publishing the results of the research. Because the Centre expects the Snyder Scholar to work on an international law project, applicants must have had international law or equivalent courses. The Snyder Scholar should also be committed to further study of or practice in international law. Demonstrating a commitment can be done by listing courses taken in the international law area, research in

international law topics, employment in the international arena, knowledge of languages, career goals, extracurricular activities and so on.

Applicants should provide a resume, a statement of commitment to international law, and a personal research agenda.

Return completed applications to Dale Calabrese, in room 024 by Monday, Feb. 25, 2002.

The preliminary selection committee will be composed of faculty. The final selection will be made by Mr. Lauterpacht, Cambridge University professor and one of the premier lawyers on the international front, in late March. See Dale or Dean Fromm with questions.

NEWS FROM THE RECORDER'S OFFICE

GRADUATION FORMS DUE FEB. 20

All tentative May and August 2002 graduates need to complete a graduation data form in the Recorder's Office. The deadline for this form is Tuesday, February 20.

BAR APPLICATIONS & FINGERPRINTING

Indiana bar applications are available in our office. On Wednesday, Feb. 20, the IU Police will be in the student lounge to assist you in completing your fingerprint card for the bar application. Times for this will be posted. If you are not able to make this time, you can go to the IU Police on any Friday and have your fingerprint card completed.

Students taking other state bars, should bring their dean certificates of graduation to the Recorder's Office for our office to process upon graduation.

NEWS FROM STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS

BARRISTER'S BALL THIS SATURDAY

The Black Law Students Association invites you to attend the 14th Annual Barrister's Ball, "Mardi Gras: A Night of Magical Masquerade," on Feb. 23 from 6:00 p.m. to midnight. The ball will be held at Chapman's Restaurant & Banquet Center

(300 S.R. 446), with a dinner buffet from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., followed by a DJ and dancing. Tickets are available through Thursday, Feb. 20, at \$30 per person, or \$50 per couple.

PHI DELTA PHI MEETING WEDNESDAY

Phi Delta Phi members: Please come to our next meeting at noon on Wednesday, Feb. 20, in room 120 we will finalize plans for the semester, discuss the upcoming March 20 initiation ceremony, and plan for new officer elections.

PILF SINGING FOR SUMMER SALARIES FUNDRAISER

What better way to repay one of our esteemed professors for the fun we had last semester than to choose one of them to serenade the entire Law School? For the next week, there will be jars with the professors' names on them in the lobby during lunch. Just drop whatever money you can spend into the jar of the professor you would most like to see sing. On Tuesday, Feb. 27, at noon, the professor with the most money will sing karaoke in the Moot Court Room. All of the money raised will go toward PILF Summer Fellowships to provide for our classmates who take non-paying public interest positions this summer. **CAST YOUR VOTE IN THE LOBBY THIS WEEK!**

PAD MEETING ON THURSDAY

There will be a PAD meeting on Thursday, Feb. 21, at 5:00 p.m. at Kilroy's. Topics to be discussed will include this semester's service projects and the PAD biennial convention. All PAD members should please attend and welcome in the new officers!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

MOOT COURT COMPETITION RESUMES

Beginning Monday, Feb. 18, the Moot Court Competition will resume. Arguments will be every evening during the week at 6:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m. The final round is on March 1, at 7:00 p.m. Please come and support your classmates this is an excellent opportunity to see oral argument at its finest!

EVENTS CALENDAR / ROOM SCHEDULING

To schedule classrooms in the law building, send e-mail to bl-law-events (for Outlook users) or bl-events-law@exchange.indiana.edu (for non-Outlook users). Please include date and time of event, length of time room will be needed, classroom requested and number of people attending event. Requests should be sent at least one week prior to event and include name of person requesting, organization planning the event and an e-mail address. Confirmations will be sent by reply e-mail.

AUDIO - VIDEO SERVICES

Requests for AV services may be sent to Beth at av@exchange.indiana.edu. Please include the name of your group and the e-mail address of the contact person, a description of what you want to do, and the date, location, starting time and duration of the event. Requests must be made at least 48 hours in advance and will be confirmed by e-mail.

CALENDAR

Feb. 18: Romanian ambassador, 4:00 p.m., Walnut Room at IMU

Feb. 20: Phi Delta Phi meeting, noon, room 120

Graduation forms due

Feb. 21: Self-Defense: The Reasonable Belief Requirement, 4:00 p.m., Poynter Center

Dana Saporbayeva, 4:30 p.m., room 124

PAD meeting, 5:00 p.m., Kilroy's

Feb. 23: Barrister's Ball, 6:00 p.m. midnight, Chapman's Restaurant

Feb. 25: Snyder Scholarship applications due

Feb. 27: PILF Singing for Summer Salaries, noon, Moot Court Room

Ice Lecture: Yvonne Cripps, 4:00 p.m., Moot Court Room

ILA: Please visit our Web site at www.law.indiana.edu/pubs/ila/ilacurrent.html. The ILA is published every Monday with news about the coming week. If you have questions about an item appearing in the ILA, please contact Leora Baude (e-mail lbaude@indiana.edu or phone 855-2426).

Submissions: Information and articles for the ILA should be submitted by **Friday at 10 a.m.** for inclusion in Monday's edition. Please e-mail all submissions to ila@indiana.edu.

Letters to the Editor: Letters should be submitted **Thursday at 5 p.m.** for possible inclusion in Monday's issue.