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This Week in the Law School

Welcome back!

ILA welcomes you back to campus. Best wishes for a successful spring semester!

Congratulations to Dean Lauren Robel

The Dean was elected president-elect of the Association of American Law Schools on January 7, 2011.

Indiana Law on Facebook

Remember to check out Indiana University — Maurer School of Law on Facebook for up-to-the-minute postings.

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Wednesday, January 19

Volunteer Income Tax Assistance Callout

The IU Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) program helps low-income citizens and IU students with their federal and state income tax returns. You can meet one-on-one with a client, or pair up with another student. VITA meets with clients on Mondays and Thursdays during February and March for three hours each night. A call-out meeting will be held at noon in room 120. A training session will follow on Saturday January 22nd from 1 to 4 pm in the Moot Court Room. If you are unable to attend the callout session, you can still attend the training session on the 22nd! For more information, e-mail Daniel Huntley at danhuntl@indiana.edu.

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Thursday, January 20

Barrister's Ball: Dress to Impress

Join Professor **Donald Gjerdingen** on behalf of the Black Law Student Association's annual Barrister's Ball for a presentation on how to dress for a black-tie affair. He will also show examples of appropriate interview attire. Room 120, noon - 1:00.

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Announcements

Congratulations, Dean Robel!

Dean Robel was elected president-elect of the Association of American Law Schools on January 7, 2011. She will serve a one-year term as AALS president beginning in January 2012. Founded in 1900, the AALS is a non-profit educational association of 171 law schools representing more than 10,000 law faculty in the United States. The purpose of the AALS is the improvement of the legal profession through legal education. The AALS is legal education's principal representative to the federal government and to other national higher-education and learned societies.

Admissions Tour Guides Needed

The Admissions Office is expecting an increase in the number of prospective student visitors this semester and will need additional assistance from tour guides. Responsibilities include escorting prospective students to a class and providing a tour of the Law School building. This is a great way to participate in the building of next year's class. If you previously served as a tour guide, please stop by the Admissions Office to sign up for the spring semester. If you are interested in serving as a tour guide for the first time, please contact Dani Weatherford

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Coming Events

Women's Law Caucus Auction

Please join your classmates and professors at the annual Women's Law Caucus auction. Plenty of professor packages will be available for you and your friends to bid on, so start getting your groups together now and get ready to bid. All proceeds benefit Middleway House and the Protective Order Project. Please plan to attend on Friday, Feb. 4, at the Bluebird.

Can Parents Have Too Much Choice? Federalist Society Debate and Free Chick-Fil-A Lunch

On November 3, 2010, the U.S. Supreme Court heard oral argument in *Arizona Christian School Tuition Organization v. Winn*, which asks whether and to what extent religious organizations (such as parochial schools) can participate in funding programs operated by governments and ostensibly open to both secular and religious organizations. The Federalist Society will be hosting a panel discussion featuring Peter Kirsanow, a member of the U.S. Commission on Civil

Rights, as well as Indiana Law Professors **J. Alexander Tanford** and **Daniel Conkle**. Free Chick-Fil-A lunch will be provided! Monday, January 24, Moot Court Room, noon - 1:00.

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Faculty News

Professor **Sarah Jane Hughes** published, with her longtime co-author Stephen T. Middlebrook, an article in the Survey of Cyberspace Law in the November 2007 issue of *The Business Lawyer*, which the American Bar Association publishes. The article is titled "Developments in the Laws Governing Electronic Payments Made through Gift Cards, Debit and Prepaid Cards, and Direct Deposit of Federal Benefits." *The Business Lawyer* has a subscription base of 65,000 readers and is a peer-reviewed journal.

The *Minnesota Law Review* has published **Professor Robert Fischman's** article, "Adaptive Management in the Courts." You can read it (or a brief abstract) here:

http://papers.ssrn.com/sol3/papers.cfm?abstract_id=1542632

On November 19, 2010, Professor **Leandra Lederman** organized and moderated a panel on "Tax Compliance and Evasion" at the National Tax Association's 103rd Annual Conference on Taxation in Chicago.

How to Schedule an Event

An [online form](#) is available to plan and schedule meetings. Please use this form to request a room, notify Indiana Law Annotated, and send other information about your event. You will receive confirmation that your room has been reserved after your request has been processed. When filling out your event description, please provide all information possible, especially if you are requesting that the event be publicized.

ILA Submissions

The *Indiana Law Annotated (ILA)* is published every Monday while school is in session with news about the coming week. Information and articles for the *ILA* should be submitted to ila@indiana.edu by **Thursday at noon** for inclusion in Monday's edition. Length of submission is limited to 150 words, unless otherwise approved. If you have questions about an item appearing in the *ILA*, please contact Ken Turchi (kturchi@indiana.edu; phone 856-4044). *Indiana Law Annotated* is archived [online](#).

Audio-Video Services

Requests for AV services should be sent to Max Exter (av@exchange.iu.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.

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