May 2011
FACULTY HIGHLIGHTS

Full-Time Faculty

❖ Professor Susan Daicoff

Professor Susan Daicoff has been invited to speak on “How Preventive Law Relates To Professional Responsibility and Emerging Structural Changes in the Legal Profession” at the Association of American Law Schools Annual Meeting in January, 2012 as part of its “Crosscutting Program: Preventing Legal Problems.” She has also been invited to present a day-long workshop on comprehensive law, lawyer wellbeing, and the future of the legal profession for practicing lawyers titled “Lawyer as Peacemaker: The Quest for Justice for Clients and Professionals,” sponsored by the Center for Principled Family Advocacy in Cleveland, Ohio in June. In April, she served as a celebrity judge for the Region VIII Invitational “Lincoln-Douglas” Debate (by high school students) sponsored by the National Christian Forensics and Communications Association (www.ncfca.org) at the First Baptist Church in downtown Jacksonville, Florida.

❖ Professor Elizabeth DeCoux

Elizabeth DeCoux spoke to the Animal Law Conference of the International Research Group in Animal Law (GRIDA), held on Parliament Hill in Ottawa, Canada on May 20, 2011. Her topic was the connection between the movement to abolish the property status of animals, and other social justice movements.

❖ Professor Caroline Herman

Professor Carolyn Herman was re-elected for a two-year term to the Executive Council of the Entertainment, Arts, and Sports Law Section of the Florida Bar.

❖ Professor Richard Karcher

Professor Karcher spoke on a panel at the Sports Lawyers Association 37th Annual Conference discussing legal ethics issues arising from the dual representation of players, coaches and professional team/university management (May 20, 2011).
Professor Thomas Hornsby

Professor Tom Hornsby was the plenary session speaker and panelist at the "Best Practices in Child Custody" session on 4/3/2011 at a conference at Florida State University sponsored by "The National Organization for Men Against Sexism (NOMAS)" and "Men Advocating Responsible Conduct (MARC)". Co-sponsors for the conference were "Sexual Violence Task Force of Tampa Bay", "Feminist Women's Health Center", "SATF (Oregon Attorney General's Sexual Assault Task Force", "Equality Florida", "Equal Rights Alliance", "VCS Community Change Project", "Florida Coalition Against Sexual Violence" and Florida State University. The topic presented was "Domestic Violence Issues and Solutions".

Professor Rick Karcher


Professor John Knechtle

Professor Knechtle delivered a paper at Ohio State University Law School titled "Why the UN's Efforts to Prohibit the Defamation of Religion are Misguided."

Professor Knechtle delivered a paper at the University of St. Louis Law School titled "When can the U.S. Invade Another Country Under International Law? Does it Matter?"

With the assistance of Professor Pimentel, Professor Knechtle has expanded the International Criminal Law Externships to the ICTY's Rule 11 bis courts in Sarajevo, Bosnia.

Professor Michael Lewyn

Michael Lewyn spoke at two conferences in May: the International Association for Planning Law and Property Rights conference at the University of Alberta and a conference on teaching land use and environmental law at Pace Law School.

Professor Alexander Moody

Professor Sander Moody presented at the Annual Raymond Ehrlich Trial Advocacy Seminar presented by the Jacksonville Bar Association at EverBank Field. Professor Moody’s presentation discussed recent federal court developments regarding the law of Evidence and electronically stored information (ESI).

Professor David Pimentel

Professor Pimentel had several speaking engagements in diverse places:

- **Constitutional Complaint International Symposium**, Hukuk Adamları Birliği (Turkish Judges’ Union), Ankara, Turkey (May 13, 2011)
  “Individual Application to the Constitutional Court in Other Countries”
- **International Congress on Constitutional Law**, Istanbul, Turkey (May 12, 2011)
  Chaired panel on “The Rule of Law, Judicial Reform, Independence and Impartiality of the Judiciary”; presented paper on “Judicial Governance: Independence and Accountability as a Product of Constitutional Structure”
- **Amity University, Institute for Advanced Legal Studies**, “Religion and Governance in a Secular State,” New Delhi, India (May 9, 2011)
  Chaired the panel on Judicial Independence and made presentation on “Rethinking the Tension between Judicial Independence and Accountability: the Role of Court Structure”
  Chaired panels and made presentations on “Judicial Independence in the New Nepali Constitution,” “Rule of Law in Post-Conflict Nepal,” and “Property Rights Under the New Constitution.”
- **University of Tuzla**, Tuzla, Bosnia and Herzegovina (April 6, 2011)
  “Comparative Legal Culture and the Role of the Judiciary – Lessons for Rule of Law Reform”

In early May, he also visiting Hong Kong University, meeting with the Dean and the Director for the Center for Comparative and Public Law, and received an invitation to return to Hong Kong in December 2011 to present a paper at the 4th Asian Constitutional Law Forum: “Major Constitutional Developments in Asia in the First Decade of the 21st Century.”
❖ **Professor Brad Shannon**

Professor Shannon’s article, “I Have Federal Pleading All Figured Out,” has been published at 61 *Case Western Reserve L. Rev.* 453 (2011).

❖ **Professor Cynthia Stroud**

In May Professor Cynthia Stroud served as an Assistant Editor for Volume 17 of The Journal of the Legal Writing Institute. Professor Stroud also served as a reviewer for the annual best brief award for Scribes, The American Society of Legal Writers.

❖ **Professor Alan G. Williams**

Professor Alan G. Williams’s law review article, "The Cure for What Ails: A Realistic Remedy for the Medical Malpractice Crisis," will be published in the forthcoming issue of the *Stanford Law and Policy Review*. The article proposes a federal medical malpractice law pre-empting state laws in an effort to level the playing field for physicians and patients nationwide.
Adjunct Faculty

- Adjunct Professor Suzanne Bass

Suzanne Bass was selected as one of six applicants whose names were submitted to Gov. Scott for consideration for appointment to Circuit Judge, Fourth Judicial Circuit. The Judicial Nominating Commission was the interviewing body who submitted the names. This judicial vacancy was due to Judge Jeff Morrow's unfortunate passing. The Governor has not made his decision on the appointment. The names went up on May 3, 2011. The Governor has 60 days to make the appointment from May 3, 2011.