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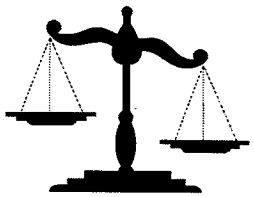

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FROM THE ASSOCIATE DEAN

As most of you are aware, it has been the tradition of the College of Law to celebrate an Honors Day to recognize our students who have demonstrated outstanding merit and academic achievement. Thanks to the efforts of Brenda Cornelius, the Student Life Coordinator, this year's Honors Day was particularly exceptional.

For the first time, WHO'S WHO AMONG STUDENTS IN AMERICAN UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES selected 7 students from the College of Law to include in its 1994 edition. The selections were based on academic achievement, service to the community, leadership in extra-curricular activities, and potential for continued success. The seven students chosen were:

Penny Brown-Artis
Greg B. Cutler
Pamela F. Everett
Susan F. Motter
Lesli R. Seta
James R. Westbury
Angelyn Wright

Other award winners at Honors Day were:

GEORGIA CIVIL JUSTICE FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP

Rhonda L. Byers
Christine A. Koehler

ATTORNEYS' TITLE GUARANTY FUND SCHOLARSHIP

Sally B. Terrell

REGENTS' OPPORTUNITY SCHOLARSHIP

Loretta D. Patrick

ABA LAW STUDENT DIVISION BRONZE KEY AWARD

Lesli R. Seta

GEORGIA FEDERAL TAX CONFERENCE AWARD

Steven R. Fehlenberg

TRAMMELL FOUNDATION AWARD

Brenda G. Bates

LABOR & EMPLOYMENT LAW STUDENT SCHOLAR AWARD

Augustus B. Cochran

OUTER BARRISTERS' GUILD AWARD

Jonathan M. Adelman
Nancy E. Baer
Stephen R. Chance
Pamela C. Corley
Scott C. Crowley
Charles F. Fenton
Jeffrey A. Hannah
Leonard J. Hope
Leila-Ann Lawlor
Deborah L. O'Neal
Carolyn A. Rigot
Josie R. Tajer
Daniel E. Turner
David H. Wilson
Amy R. Wolverton
Angelyn Wright

PUBLIC INTEREST LAW ASSOCIATION FELLOWSHIP

Maurine W. McCain
Nancy L. Turner

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF PUBLIC INTEREST LAW NATIONAL AWARD

Linda F. Aronson

STUDENT TRIAL LAWYERS ASSOCIATION

Charlton Allen
Rhonda L. Byers
Cynthia Zebrowitz
Monte K. Davis
Tony DelCampo
Bonnie Ellis
Heidi M. Geiger
Rebecca Grant
Richard S. Griffin
Hobart M. Hind
Stephen W. Johnson
Molly P. Lee
Christine A. Koehler
Jasloveline Lall
Robin R. McLean
David J. Marmins
Kelley M. Matthews
Devon A. Orland
Tracey M. Moore
Karen L. Morgan
Julie M. Pomerantz
Dawn R. Petruschke
Brett E. Pinion
Paul J. Vignos
Jonathan A. Pope
Lesli R. Seta
Daniel J. Whitworth
Charles S. Conklin, III
Kent Webb
Janice D. Ward

Congratulations! The Law School is extremely proud of all of you.

Corneill A. Stephens

Notes from the "New" SBA

The officers of the 1994-95 Student Bar Association were installed on April 6th, and are planning an active and productive year. After a busy strategic planning session on Thursday, the SBA has created a list of "top priority" projects to work on this summer.

In just the past two days, SBA has created a suggestion box, an "Incident Report" form (for tracking problems within and around GSU), and passed a resolution creating a Student/Faculty Task force. We are also busy making preparations for Brief Encounters, the "Buddy" system, and comprehensive Professor Evaluations. You can look forward to some exciting changes around the Law School this fall!

In the meantime, we are actively seeking volunteers for several appointed committee positions, including Academic Affairs, Communications, and Fundraising. We are also recruiting volunteers for our 1L "Buddy" System and the "Brief Encounters" session on June 10th. If you are interested in joining our ranks, please complete a Volunteer Information sheet from the SBA Bulletin Board, or see an SBA officer.

The 1994-95 SBA Officers are:
President -- Vicki Bell
Vice-President -- Sue Doman
Treasurer -- Laura Schilling
Secretary -- Rebecca Blackstock
3L At Large Senator -- Sung Lee
3L Part-time Senator -- Jacqueline Bazy
2L At Large Senator -- Kevin Demer
2L Full-time Senator -- Stephanie Duncan-Brent

The new Honor Court Justices are:
3L: Kirsten Cook, Richard Wayne, Roderick Wilkerson
2L: Bill Little, David Smith

SBA maintains an "open door" philosophy. However, with our small ranks, we cannot always staff the SBA office. If you need to talk to an SBA rep., our numbers are posted on the SBA door. You may also call me at home at 426-7181 (8 am - 10 pm) or page me at 703-2985. We are here to serve your interests -- stay in touch!

Vicki Bell, SBA President

Voice your opinion about GSU's proposed Student Fee Increases

On Thursday, April 14th, the GSU administration will hold a "public hearing" concerning proposed increases in the Student Activity Fee and the Student Athletic Fee.

Currently, the University's fee structure is much lower than similarly situated universities, and the committee which allocates the fees consistently runs short on funds (requests are double the available funds). Because of this, the university would like to increase the fees in the following manner (per quarter/semester):

*Student Activity Fee -- raise from $23 to $30
*Student Athletic Fee -- raise from $23 to $33 or $38
*Student Health Fee -- create at a fee of $5

At the hearing on the 14th, the Administration will take comments regarding these increases/new fees. The hearings will be held in the Student Lounge, third floor, University Center (next to the "big" cafeteria). They will begin at 10:00 am and again at 5:30 pm and run for approximately one hour.

If you are unable to attend (and they have been informed that these times are inconvenient for law students), please submit your comments **in writing** to the SBA office **no later than** 10 am that morning, and they will be submitted to President Patton directly. Please keep your comments short, specific and civil -- pro or con (and thanks for your input).

STLA NEWS

Congratulations
Rhonda Byers
&
Christine Koehler
Litigation Scholarship Winners

Rhonda Byers and Christine Koehler were the joint winners of a new scholarship given by the Civil Justice Foundation of the Georgia Bar Association. The Scholarship will be awarded annually for a "propensity" and skill in litigation. This year's recipients both have litigation experience outside the College of Law, are actively involved in the Student Trial Lawyers Association, the National Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers - GSU Chapter, and the Moot Court Board. Recognition of their organizational and speaking skills is appropriate. They are two of GSU's best and brightest. Congratulations.

The Federalist Society for Law and Public Policy Studies
presents

Monday, April 11th
PROF. ROY SOBELSON
"The Pros & Cons of Mandatory Pro Bono"
12:15pm Rm330
and
Tuesday, April 19th
DEAN MARJORIE GIRTH
"Comments on the Commission for Racial & Gender Bias"
12:00pm Rm 230

PUBLIC INTEREST LAW ASSOCIATION

The Public Interest Law Association is pleased to announce the officers for 1994-95:

* President - Nancy Turner
* Vice-President - Laura Schilling
* Fellowship Chairperson - Mimi McCain
* Treasurer/Auction Coordinator - Mary Sharp

We are also very proud to award summer fellowships to **Mimi McCain** and **Nancy Turner**. They will be volunteering for public interest law

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LEGAL ETHICS WEEK

Speakers to include:

HON. C. THEODORE LEE
Chairman, State Ethics Commission
Tuesday, April 12th
12:00 noon
Rm 230

WILLIAM McKINNON, JR.
Assistant United States Attorney
Wednesday, April 13th
12:00 noon
Rm 230

The BLSA Announces
its
Annual Awards Banquet
April 16th
The Barclay Hotel
89 Luckie Street, NW
6pm
See any member for tickets

and

End of The Year Picnic
April 21st
See Maureen McCleod or stop by the BLSA office.

FORGET RACE JUDICATA, THIS YEAR
DELTA THETA PHI
presents
VOLLEYLAW!
April 23rd * Hurt Park * 1:00pm
Teams of 6 will compete for T- Shirts and consolation prizes for the losers! Cheaper than Race Judicata! Only $5.00 per person.
Sign up in teams with at least 2 members of opposite gender (from other 4, not each other)
Sign up by April 15th
at the Delta Theta Phi office.

THE DOCKET

The Docket encourages all students to submit articles for publication. Please submit work on 3 1/2" disks saved in any format. Disks will be returned.

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John A. Creasy, Editor

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organizations this summer, and will each receive a $2,000 stipend. Mimi will be working at the Georgia Indigent Defense Council and Nancy will be working for the Truancy Project. We were very impressed with the caliber of the applications, and encourage all law students to apply next spring for 1995 summer fellowships.

Thanks to everyone who supported us throughout the year. It is only through your support that we are able to award our summer fellowships.

ASSOCIATION OF WOMEN LAW STUDENTS
Mary Margaret Oliver to speak on April 20th

State Senator Mary Margaret Oliver, Chair of the Senate Judiciary Committee, will speak at a program sponsored by the GSU Association of Women Law Students on April 20th, from 12:00 noon until 1:00 pm in Room 230.

Senator Oliver chaired one of the most influential committees in the Legislature during the past two sessions. The committee was assigned such explosive legislation as the gun control bill, the child support act, and the Governor's crime package. She will share her insights and experiences of the past two years, and look ahead at the 1995 session. This is a program that should not be missed - but get there early (and bring your lunch) -- AWLS expects a standing room only crowd!

IBM PC and compatibles - Lexis commands you wish you knew:

by Paul Vignos

Focus Feature to find/search for particular text

.FO initiates the Focus Feature.

Use the Focus Feature to highlight words in LEXSEE retrieved documents. Use the Focus Feature to change the highlighted words in regular search mode retrieved documents.

How does this work? Simple

.FO <enter>

WORD OR OTHER OR THIRD OR FINAL <enter>

LEXIS will then highlight those words between the or connectors in either full (.FU) or kwik (.KW) format.

The focus feature is particularly useful when retrieving LEXSEE documents because with focus there are no highlighted words.

The focus feature is also available when your document is retrieved through a standard LEXIS word search. If you want to change the focus of your search just initiate the Focus Feature and enter new words to highlight.

For example, if you search the Georgia library case file for FIRST AMEND! AND ZONING AND GEORGIA AND DATE AFT 1992 you may begin to read Pel Asso v. Joseph, 262 Ga. 904 (1993). The highlighted terms will be your search terms: First Amendment, Zoning, Georgia and the date.

To highlight different terms you might enter:

.FO;NUDE OR LICENS! OR DANCE;.KW <enter>

Now the highlighted terms will change to reflect your narrowed interest.

To exit the FOCUS service enter .EF or .EX -- do not enter .ES -- especially if your case came up as a result of a Lexsee search -- .ES is the dot command to EXIT SERVICE.

Related command:

.VK # (vary the key word context) changes the amount of text surrounding the highlighted words in KWIC (key word in context). The default is 25 words. If you would like to see more or less text than previously, enter a larger or smaller number after the dot command. For example:

.VK 5

LEXIS will change the amount of text surrounding your key focus or search words to five words before and five words after. LEXIS does not count noise words such as and, or, a, the so the total text surrounding your focus or search word will be about 1.7x the number of words defined by the .VK command.

SPRING SPEAKERS for the GSU Pre-Law Club

April 19th
Prof. Stephen Wermiel
GSU College of Law
"Current ConLaw Issues"

April 28th
Ansley Barton
Director,
Ga. Office for Dispute Resolution
"Alternative Dispute Resolution"

May 5th
Gilbert Deitch
Partner, Bauer & Deitch
"Personal Injury Law & Ethics"

May 19th
Doug Ammar
Georgia Justice Project
"Justice for the Poor"

May 26th
Bill Florence
Attorney for the State Judiciary Committee
"How Politics Influence the Law"

All dates are Thursdays,
Room 1004-G at 10:00AM
Call 651-3152 for more info.

FROM THE OFFICE OF STUDENT LIFE...

August 16, 1993, law students began to make their way down the Tax Clinic hallway to find the Office of Student and this person that was going to give them a life. We have survived mailbox stuffings, bulletin board changes, signs on "Tom's walls",

student organization renewal forms, missing receipts for travel, invoices over 30 days, room and table reservations, notes left under and on the door, a hooding ceremony and honors day program, just to name a few. I would like to take this opportunity to sincerely thank all the students in the College of Law for continued support and most of all for accepting me as one of your own. This year has been an experience to say the least but one I would not trade. I am looking forward to great times ahead. THANKS FOR THE MEMORIES,

Brenda Cornelius

UPCOMING EVENTS...

April 11 - 15 12-1p.m. 230 U.L.
Speakers
Celebration of Ethics Week
April 12 Teddy Lee
State Ethics Commission

April 13 William McKinnon, Jr.
Asst. U.S. Attorney

April 16 10a.m. 140 U.L.
Final Round of RWA Elimination
Moot Court Competition

April 19 12-1p.m. 230 U.L. Speaker
Dean Marjorie Girth
Racial & Ethnic Bias Commission

April 20 12-1p.m. 230 U.L. Speaker
The Honorable Mary Margaret Oliver,
Chair of the Senate Judiciary
Committee

April 21 12-1p.m. 100 U.L. Speaker
Planned Parenthood "Abortion Under
Proposed Health Care Plan"

April 23 1p.m. Hurt Park
VolleyLaw Game

April 25 Last day of regularly
scheduled classes

May 23 Summer Term
classes begin

June 10 Brief Encounter

June 24 7p.m.
Spring Hooding Ceremony
Sports Arena

June 25 3p.m.
University Commencement
Sports Arena

August 15 Orientation and classes
begin for 1L's

August 22 Fall Semester
classes begin

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ATTENTION ALL FIRST YEARS...

(1L-full-time AND 1L & 2L-part-time)

The Career Planning Office introduces:

THE SHADOW PROGRAM

A program in which GSU College of Law Alumni will sponsor a 1st year law student to "shadow" them at the office for one week.

A program like this will enable 1st years who have little or no legal experience, to gain both insight and experience in the legal world. This program will not only enhance your legal experience, it will enhance your resume and networking skills. This is an opportunity to meet and work with attorneys practicing in your area(s) of interest.

The Shadow Week will be May 23-27, 1994!

Applications will be due on Monday, April 18, 1994 in order to begin matching students' interests with sponsors' practice areas.

DATES TO REMEMBER:

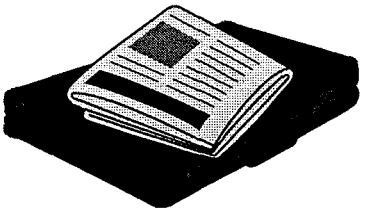
April 7, 1994 - Informational Meeting
April 18, 1994 - Applications Due
May 23-27, 1994 - Shadow Week

1994 Southeastern Minority Job Fair

Friday, August 19 - Saturday, August 20, 1994
Embassy Suites Airport Hotel
Atlanta, GA

Pre-Registration Forms are available in the Career Planning Office and are DUE APRIL 30, 1994.

All Students must Pre-Register in order to receive Registration Packets. The Registration Packets will be mailed to pre-registered students in early May. The Student Registration Deadline will be May 27, 1994. If you do not receive your registration materials by May 20, 1994, call your career services office.



Career Planning & Placement Surveys

Surveys were placed in your mailbox this week. Please take the time to fill out and return these surveys to the Career Planning Office. Your ideas about Career Planning services are valuable contributions to our program planning. The surveys are totally anonymous to encourage frankness.

Students Graduating Spring 1994

Employment Statistics Reports were placed in your mailbox this week. Please take a moment to fill out the survey. This Employment Stat survey is very important for the following reasons:

1. The Career Planning Office is required by Federal law to keep accurate records of employment for each graduate of the College of Law;

2. Most perspective students are quite interested in our employment statistics;

3. Knowing where graduates will be working greatly assists us in assessing the market.

If you would like to schedule an appointment with us to discuss your job search, please call 651-2062. We look forward to assisting you in the pursuit of your career goal.

Both surveys are short and will only take a few minutes to fill out, please take the time to complete and return them to us. Thank you!

TOP 10 RECENT STUDENT JOB LISTINGS

1. #3427
   Posted 4/01/94
   Legal File Clerk
   Home Depot
2. #3427
   Posted 4/01/94
   Receptionist/Typist
   Long & Holder
3. #3421
   Posted 3/29/94
   Files Clerk
   Blind Listing
4. #3418
   Posted 3/24/94
   Legal Secretary/Paralegal
   Law Offices of E.L Munson
5. #3416
   Posted 3/23/94
   Research Asst.
   Dr. Steve Langston
6. #3415
   Posted 3/23/94
   Summer Internship
   Legal Aid Society of Northeastern New York
7. #3411
   Posted 3/17/94
   Research Project Work
   McKenzie, Martin, Taylor & McConnaughey
8. #3410
   Posted 3/17/94
   Law Clerk
   Lefco & Blumenthal
9. #3407
   Posted 3/16/94
   Law Clerk
   Jin Choi, Esq.
10. #3405
    Posted 3/15/94
    Law Clerk
    Starkey, Land & Crowley

These job listings and more are listed as they are received in the "Blue Books". The Blue Books are kept in the Career Planning Office during office hours and are available in the evening and on weekends at the Cir. Desk in the Law Library.

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