

Rodney Max Mediation Fellowship

The Cumberland Community Mediation Center (CCMC) is inviting students to apply for the **Rodney Max Mediation Fellowship**. Established by Rodney A. Max, a nationally renowned mediator and a 1975 graduate of Cumberland School of Law, the fellowship recognizes the interest, achievements and scholarship of Cumberland students in the area of mediation.

The Rodney Max Fellow will receive a \$5,000 fellowship award for the 2010-2011 academic year. The Fellow will work under the direction of the Director of the CCMC with primary responsibilities being: Manage the Samford Residence Life Mediation Project; co-mediate disputes as assigned by the Director of the CCMC; research and writing projects as assigned.

Applicants for the fellowship must have a strong interest in mediation and must have completed the Mediator Practice course (Law 805-01) or enrolled in the course for Fall 2010. Applicants are to submit a resume and a statement of interest to Cassandra W. Adams, Director, Cumberland Community Mediation Center & Public Interest Project. The statement should describe any relevant experience as well as the applicant's academic and professional interest and achievements in mediation.

A selection committee will review applications. An interview may be required. Questions about the Rodney Max Mediation Fellowship and/or the application process should be directed to **Cassandra Adams** at ceadams@samford.edu or stop by the CCMC office in Room 215. Application deadline is **Friday, September 10, 2010 at 4:00 PM.**

Women in Law

Women in Law is hosting an informational meeting/first meeting of the semester on Tuesday August 31 at 6:00 PM in room 120. This meeting is open to all interested students, and food will be provided for those who attend! Please contact **Brittany Waggene** with questions.

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U.S. Navy JAG Corps

Interested in Navy JAG opportunities? Lt. Jason Ayeroff of the U.S. Navy JAG Corps, will be at the law school on Thursday, September 2 to present information and answer questions regarding the U.S. Navy JAG.

Stop by the Dean's Conference Room between 11:00 AM and 1:00 PM on September 2 if you are interested in learning more.

Lunch with a Lawyer

On Thursday, September 2, Career Development will present its next "Lunch with a Lawyer" program. Cumberland alumnus Mike Alfano ('08) will discuss his work as an agent in the IRS's Criminal Investigation branch and describe the process of applying for federal jobs through the usajobs.gov website. The program will begin at 11:50 AM and will take place in the Great Room. If you wish to attend, please sign up in the Career Development Office by Wednesday, September 1 at NOON.

Cumberland Tallahassee Alumni Gathering & Samford University Alumni Pre-Game Tailgate



Samford vs. FSU Game



Please join Dean John L. Carroll, '74 and fellow Tallahassee area Cumberland alumni for a student and alumni gathering Home of Peggy '84 and Lo Bielby '83

Friday, September 3, 2010 • 5:30 to 7:30 PM

Join Samford University President Andrew Westmoreland and Fellow Samford Alumni for a Pre-Game Tailgate Breakfast at the Tallahassee Civic Center • 505 West Pensacola Street
Saturday, September 4, 2010 • 9:30 to 11:00 AM
Open to Students

For more information about these events, please contact the Cumberland School of Law Alumni Office at lawalum@samford.edu

Street Law

Street Law returns for Fall 2010. Street Law is a volunteer program for the law students to go into local schools for six consecutive weeks and teach lessons that directly affect the lives of youth from the *Play by the Rules: Alabama Laws for Youth*. These interactions will help enhance the volunteers' skills of breaking down legal jargon into words an average person can understand and also removes some nervousness of public speaking. There is no need for the volunteers to be worried about time constraints or making lesson plans, because the one hour Monday night training class completely prepares them. **We will begin with Orientation on September 7, 2010 at 6:30 PM in the Great Room.** Each Monday night class, September 21 through October 26, will begin promptly at 6:30 PM. If you have any questions, please contact Brittney Hardison at bhardison@aclce.org or 205.726.2433.

Called to the Bar

On **September 8, 2010** at **noon** in the Moot Court Room, **Doug Jones '79** will be the first of the *Called to the Bar* speakers for the 2010-11 academic year. He is a former United States Attorney for the Northern District of Alabama and is currently with the Haskell Slaughter Young & Rediker, LLC firm in Birmingham where he represents individual, institutional and corporate clients in complex civil and criminal litigation.



DOUG JONES '79

Mr. Jones, along with **Professor Don Cochran** of our faculty, prosecuted the persons accused of the Sixteenth Street Baptist Church bombing on September 15, 1963 some 40 years after the bombing occurred. The bombing resulted in the deaths of four young girls. The prosecution of those bombers will be the subject of Mr. Jones' talk.

Moot Court National Teams

Congratulations to this year's Moot Court National Team Members:

Oral Advocates

Katie Kimbrell
Mallory Schneider
Brie Stanley

Ryan Letson
Tatum Davis

Brief Writers

Shadé Hyché
Sean Goldfarb
Zachary Starnes

2010 Race for the Cure



Please join **Women in Law** for the annual Susan G. Komen Birmingham Race for the Cure, a nationwide event to raise funds and awareness about breast cancer, on **Saturday, October 9, 2010** at Linn Park.

Women in Law has started a team for this year's Race for the Cure, and the deadline for registration is September 27. The race is a 5K (3.1 miles) run/walk and a 1-mile fun run/walk. If you are not interested in running or cannot be present at the event, you can still join the team and "Sleep for the Cure." The team is open to all students, faculty, staff and friends and family.

Our team name is "Cumberland School of Law" and can be accessed at:

<http://2010komenalabamaracefortheure.kintera.org/faf/search/searchTeamPart.asp?ievent=341678&team=3877438>

The main page for the Race for the Cure event is: <http://www.komenncalabama.org/>

If you have any questions about the event or the team please contact **Brittany Waggener**, Women in Law President, at: bwaggene@samford.edu

Fall International Experience Meeting



If you're interested in international study OR if you spent time abroad in the past 12 months (or both), please join us for a discussion of Cumberland's International offerings and opportunities. We will convene at noon on **Thursday, September 9** in **Room 123**. Students will share their past experiences, and we'll outline the programs for the coming year.

If you'd like a sneak preview of some of the attractions, take a look at: <http://cumberland.samford.edu/foreign-programs>.

The brochures there (click on the blue links) are for the past summer. The 2011 programs will be similar; we're working

on updated brochures and some program enhancements for 2011.

Professor Floyd, Dean Lewis, Ms. Nelson, and Ms. Carroll are also always happy to answer any questions you might have about these opportunities.

Government Career Fair

The Career Development Office has held a Public Interest Career Fair during the spring semester each year. This career fair, which included both government and non-profit employers, has grown to the point that we decided it would be best to divide the groups and host a Government Career Fair during the fall semester and a Public Interest Career Fair (for non-governmental organizations) in the spring.

The first annual Government Career Fair will be held on Monday, September 27 from 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM in the Great Room. A list of participating employers will be available closer to the date of the fair. The application process for summer positions with many government offices takes place during the fall semester and we hope that this career fair will help educate our students about government opportunities in time to meet these early deadlines.

Volunteer Opportunity

Alabama Appleseed (Montgomery, AL) is seeking immediate assistance from a volunteer (or team of volunteers) with computer skills for a mapping project to be completed by October 30, 2010.

Assignment: Build an internet-based map overlaying poverty demographics and payday lending store fronts for 6 counties (Montgomery and the 5 county greater Birmingham area). There is no research required; all data will be supplied by Appleseed.

Again, this is a non-paid volunteer opportunity. No travel is required; all work can be done from your home/school. If you are interested or would like more information, please contact Shay Farley at shay.farley@alabamaappleseed.org or 334.263.0086.



SONIA NAZARIO

Cordell Hull Lecture • Sonia Nazario

On Thursday, September 16, Cumberland will host Sonia Nazario, author of the book entitled "Enrique's Journey." Ms. Nazario's visit will be the first guest lecture for the law school's Cordell Hull Lecture series.

Her presentation will be at 6:00 PM in the Moot Court Room of Robinson Hall, and her talk gives a very different perspective about the very challenging immigration issue that our country is facing.

ABOUT THE AUTHOR

Sonia Nazario has spent 20 years reporting and writing about social issues, most recently as a projects reporter for the Los Angeles Times. Her stories have tackled some of this country's most intractable problems: hunger, drug addiction, immigration.

She has won numerous national journalism and book awards. In 2003, her story of a Honduran boy's struggle to find his mother in the U.S., entitled "Enrique's Journey," won more than a dozen awards, among them the Pulitzer Prize for feature writing, the George Polk Award for International Reporting, the Grand Prize of the Robert F. Kennedy Journalism Award, and the National Assn. of Hispanic Journalists Guillermo Martinez-Marquez Award for Overall Excellence.

Expanded into a book, Enrique's Journey became a national bestseller and won two book awards. It is now required reading for incoming freshmen at dozens of colleges and high schools across the U.S.

In 1998, Nazario was a Pulitzer Prize finalist for a series on children of drug addicted parents. And in 1994, she won a George Polk Award for Local Reporting for a series about hunger among school children in California.

Nazario has been named among the most influential Latinos by Hispanic Business Magazine and a "trendsetter" by Hispanic Magazine.

Nazario, who grew up in Kansas and in Argentina, has written extensively from Latin America and about Latinos in the United States. She is now at work on her second book. She began her career at the Wall Street Journal, where she reported from four bureaus: New York, Atlanta, Miami, and Los Angeles. In 1993, she joined the Los Angeles Times. She serves on the advisory boards of the University of North Texas Mayborn Literary Non-fiction Writer's Conference and of Catch the Next, a non-profit working to double the number of Latinos enrolling in college. She is also on the board of Kids In Need of Defense, a non-profit launched by Microsoft and Angelina Jolie to provide pro-bono attorneys to unaccompanied immigrant children.

She is a graduate of Williams College and has a master's degree in Latin American studies from the University of California, Berkeley. In 2010, Nazario received an honorary doctorate from Mount St. Mary's College.

CORDELL HULL

LECTURE

FEATURED

SPEAKER:

SONIA NAZARIO

THURSDAY

SEPTEMBER 16

6:00 PM

MOOT

COURT ROOM

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PROFESSOR BOB GREENE

Bob Greene, Visiting Professor of Law, returned to Ukraine on a Fulbright Follow-On Grant in May and June. During this visit he spoke extensively on American oil spill liability issues concerning the Deepwater Horizon spill in the Gulf of Mexico. Professor Greene spoke at the National Academy of Nature Protection and Resort Building in Simferopol; the Odessa National Academy of Law and the International Humanitarian University in Odessa; and the National Aviation University and the Institute of International Relations of Kyiv National University in Kyiv.

In addition, was a panelist for a webinar and teleconference on May 11, entitled, “What Young Lawyers Need to Know about Being an Environmental Lawyer”, presented by the Business Law Section of the American Bar Association.

PROFESSOR DAVID LANGUM

The Second Circuit Court of Appeals just cited **Professor David Langum’s** book, *Crossing Over the Line: Legislating Morality and the Mann Act*, as authority to support a particular interpretation of one provision of the Mann Act, and quoted a bit of the book as well. U.S. v. Broxmeyer, 2nd Cir. No. 09-1457-cr, head-note 8, decided August 3, 2010.

PROFESSOR LAVONE WARREN

Professor LaVone Warren spoke at the Annual Meeting of the Association for CLE (ACLEA) in New York City, July 24-27, on “Electronic Course Materials for CLE.” She was also appointed to the planning committee for the Mid-Year meeting which will be held on January 22-25, 2011 in San Francisco.

PROFESSOR BRAD BISHOP

Professor Brad Bishop’s latest journal article, “Municipal Safe Streets Act: To Tow or Not to Tow—That is the Question” has been published in the Alabama Municipal Journal (Volume 68, Number 1, July 2010, pp 9-12).

The 2010 supplement to Professor Bishop’s book, The Prosecution and Defense of DUI Cases (published in 2004) should be available in October.

As chair of the Supreme Court Advisory Commission on Municipal Courts, Professor Bishop will chair and present two sessions, “Anonymous Tips in DUI Cases” and “Forensic Analysis and the Right to Confrontation.”

PROFESSOR DEBORAH YOUNG

Professor Deborah Young taught Evidence this summer as a visiting professor at Vermont Law School in South Royalton, Vermont.

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PROFESSOR ALYSSA DIRUSSO

Professor Alyssa A. DiRusso presented as part of a panel on "Retirement Planning: From the Last Day of Work to the Last Day of Life" at the annual conference of the Southeastern Association of Law Schools (SEALS) in Palm Beach, Florida, on August 3. Her presentation addressed estate tax developments and was titled: "The Reason Why Retirement is Preferable to Death: Taxes."

Professor DiRusso presented a poster on "Comparative Philanthropy Law and the Tax-Centrism of the American Third Sector" at the biannual conference of the International Society for Third Sector Research (ISTR) on July 9. The conference was hosted at Kadir Has University in Istanbul, Turkey.

PROFESSOR PAUL KURUK

Professor Paul Kuruk presented two papers on June 18-19, 2010 on Customary Law and Traditional Knowledge at the National University of Ireland in Galway.

Also, Professor Kuruk participated and spoke as an expert on the subject matter of traditional knowledge at a conference in Geneva on July 19-23. The conference was organized by the Intellectual Property Organization.



PROFESSOR DAVID SMOLIN

Professor David Smolin participated in the Third Meeting of the Special Commission to review the practical operation of The Hague Convention on Protection of Children and Co-operation in Respect of Intercountry Adoption which took place at The Hague from June 17 through June 25. This was the largest meeting ever held at The Hague and involved delegates from 88 countries and 15 international organizations.

The first day of the Special Commission meeting was devoted to a discussion on the abduction, sale and traffic of children in the context of adoption. Professor Smolin addressed the meeting on that topic and was the only American law professor to speak to the meeting. He also submitted a background paper which was made available to the delegates.

Professor Smolin gave three presentations on the subject of adoption in Seoul, Korea on July 23. He spoke at the Korean Women's Development Institute where he discussed the paper he presented at the Hague. Then he spoke at the Overseas Korean Forum at Air University. Lastly, he spoke at an event held at a guest house for returning Korean adoptees. A cosponsor of that event was the International Association of Korean Lawyers.

While in Korea, Professor Smolin taught a course in Children's Rights for two weeks at Handong International Law School. His final presentation during his time in Korea was at SISKAS (the Second International Symposium on Korean Adoption Studies) in Seoul.

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PROFESSOR WENDY GREENE

In August, **Professor Wendy Greene** presented a paper entitled “Race No More? Race, Color, and American Race Relations in the 21st Century” at the Southeastern Association of Law Schools Conference.

During the Law and Society Association Annual Meeting held in Chicago, she served as the moderator and discussant for an Author Meets Reader panel examining The Long Lingered Shadow: Law, Liberalism and Cultures of Racial Hierarchy and Identity in the Americas by Robert Cottrol and Tanya Hernandez.

Professor Greene also served as a panelist at the American Association of Law Schools Mid-Year Meeting on Race and Law where she presented on “Race and the First Year Property Course: The Fundamentals.”

Lastly, in July she traveled to Rio de Janeiro, Brazil as a participant in the Latino/Latina Critical Race Theory, Inc., Study Space Program where she spent a week examining cultural diversity, property, and environmental issues.

JUDGE JOHN L. CARROLL

Judge Carroll was a featured speaker at a workshop at the Alabama State Bar Association meeting in July entitled “To D or not to D: A Debate on Diversity”. The other featured speaker was Larry Purdy, a lawyer from Minnesota who was trial counsel for the plaintiffs in two landmark Supreme Court cases involving admissions practices at the University of Michigan.

He also moderated a panel at the Southeastern Association of Law Schools meeting in July on the admissibility of electronically stored evidence.

PROFESSOR BRANNON DENNING

Professor Brannon Denning was a featured speaker on a panel at the Southeastern Association of Law Schools Constitutional Law Workshop in July. The panel topic was “The Rehnquist Federalism Revolution: Where Are We Now?”

PROFESSOR HOWARD WALTHALL

Professor Howard Walthall was a featured speaker on a panel at the Southeastern Association of Law Schools Constitutional Law Workshop in July. The panel topic was “The Past, Present, and Future of State Constitutional Law.”

Program for 1Ls • Sponsored by Kaplan PMBR

You’ve heard about outlining and how important it is for your success on finals - but do you know how to do it? Attend the free “How to Outline” seminar on **Monday, September 13, 2010 at 11:50 AM in Room 114**. Featured as part of academic support for 1Ls at multiple schools, you will learn how to structure and create your own outlines, and how to incorporate the voluminous information from cases and class for exam success! Featured case: Snyder v. Turk, 627 N.E.2d 1053 (1993). Please review prior to the seminar. Lunch will be provided. If you have another questions, please contact Leigh Hearn at leigh.hearn@kaplanpmb.com.

Emergency Signage & Educational Handout

The University's emergency management leadership team has been working during the last year to develop a campus-wide emergency management response plan. As part of the plan, every student and employee will be given an Emergency Management Quick Reference Guide.

In addition, laminated signs have been placed in Robinson Hall and the Law Library adjacent to the doors to the stairwells. The signs provide instructions for evacuation in the event of a fire, provide locations for shelter in place in the event of severe weather and direct folks to the nearest AED (defibrillators - used in the event someone's heart stops beating).

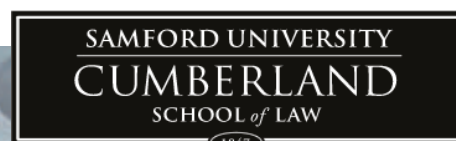


The AED installed in Robinson Hall is located on the 2nd floor outside of room 233 - near the Breezeway. Mike Coppage, Director of Public Safety, has designated rally points across campus as part of the evacuation procedures, and our rally point is the Quad in front of Davis Library.

Labor Day Holiday

In observance of Labor Day, the University will be closed **Monday, September 6, 2010.**

Have a safe holiday!



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