



FAWL Panel

ST. THOMAS LAW GATEWAY TO GREAT LEGAL CAREERS

Christian Ferrer, a 3L student, has accepted a paid law clerk position with Pacin Levine, P.A. in Miami (see p. 3).

Carolina Nuche, a 3L student, has accepted a paid law clerk position with Ainsworth & Clancy (see p. 3).

Jordan Rosales, a 2016 graduate, has accepted an Associate position with Martinez, Roman, Goehl, P.A. in Miami Lakes (see p. 4).

END OF SEMESTER PREPARATIONS

Students are reminded that the last day of classes is November 21, 2016. This semester is rapidly drawing to a close. For all students, but especially for the new 1L students, that means you need to make sure you are now positioning yourself to be prepared and ready for final examinations, which begin November 28, 2016. Students need to remember to complete their outlines, clear up any confusion regarding the concepts covered in class, and review the final examination schedule. Students need to plan ahead. Some upper-level students have examinations on sequential days, with no break in between; structure your study schedule accordingly. “All nighters” do not work in law school; you need to arrive fresh and ready to take on the challenge of a long and complicated examination.

Students in seminar classes or undertaking Independent Research Projects need to be in the final stages of those projects. Students need to make sure they are aware of all deadlines, and of their professors’ expectations. Any student in a class with a “take home” examination needs to be aware of those deadlines as well.

Graduating students need to make sure they have completed all of the requirements for graduation. This includes submitting the appropriate paperwork to document *pro bono* hours with the Career Development Office. Graduating students also need to conduct an exit interview with Career Development. Finally, all graduates should make sure that they have no outstanding

WHAT’S GOING ON

November 10:	An Evening of Hope, Room CPD-113 @ 6:15 p.m.
November 15 & 22:	Creating Calm, Room 219 @ 12:15 p.m.
November 15:	Prayers and Reflection, Room 109A @ noon
November 21:	Last Day of Classes
November 28 – December 8:	Final Exam Period

balance or unpaid parking citations due to the University Business Office, nor any materials overdue at the Law Library or Main Library.

If any student needs any guidance or assistance, please contact the Assistant Dean for Student Affairs, John F. Hernandez, at jhernandez@stu.edu, and he will respond to your concerns.

GUS MACHADO SCHOOL OF BUSINESS DISTINGUISHED SPEAKER SERIES

The Gus Machado School of Business MBA and Graduate Programs are sponsoring a Distinguished Speaker: Perspectives from the Capital of the Americas: Miami and South Florida Series “Foundations for Leadership.” Alan S. Becker, Founding Shareholder of the Law Firm of Becker & Poliakoff, P.A. will be the speaker.

The Law School community is invited to this event, which is scheduled for Thursday, November 10, 2016, at 7:00 p.m., in the School of Science, Technology, and Engineering Management building in Room CCL 100.

DONOR SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION

Information regarding 2016-2017 Donor Scholarships was e-mailed to all J.D. students by Assistant Dean John Hernandez on November 8, 2016. The **applications deadline is November 21, 2016**. Donor scholarships are monies donated by alumni(ae) and others to provide scholarships to current students. The amounts of the scholarships and their eligibility criteria vary. Scholarships range from \$600 to \$10,000 for the school year, and awards may be split between the fall and spring semesters. In some cases, the award is given entirely in the spring semester.

Students are encouraged to apply for as many scholarships as may be applicable to them. If a student is already receiving the maximum amount (cost of attendance) via loans, scholarships, or a combination of both, then receipt of a donor scholarship acts to reduce outstanding debt; otherwise, the scholarship will result in a refund to the student (usually in the spring semester). Decisions regarding recipients are made by a committee, and the recipients will be notified by December 15, 2016.

INTERCULTURAL HUMAN RIGHTS LAW SYMPOSIUM: “REVIEW RIGHT TO BEAR ARMS?”

On October 28, 2016, the *Intercultural Human Rights Law Review* hosted a panel discussion on the “The Right to Bear Arms.” The panel engaged in a mutual dialogue on gun control. The discussion was moderated by Associate Dean **Tamara Lawson**. The panelists included: Hans Ottinot, City Attorney, Sunny Isles Beach; Jonathan Osborne, AUSA, Southern District of Florida; Katie Carmon, AFPD, Southern District of Florida; Shahab Khan, Associate Professor of Law, Nova Southeastern University; Queen Esther Brown, Community Activist; and Jesse Panuccio, Partner, Foley & Larnder, LLP.



CARIBBEAN BAR ASSOCIATION 20 ANNUAL SCHOLARSHIP BANQUET

On October 29, 2016, St. Thomas Law students and **Laura Varela** from the Office of Career Development attended the Caribbean Bar Association's 20th Annual Scholarship Banquet. The students in attendance were: **Leighton Regis**, CLSA Treasurer; **Jenny Galeas**; **Natacha Bien-Aime**; **Samuel Rony**, CLSA President; **Johanne Larosiliere**, CLSA Vice-president; **Esther Adams**; **Andrea Aruz**; **Chanae Woods**; **Ashley-Ann Palmer**, and **Herboo R. Marceau**, who was honored as one of only two recipients of the CBA's Summer 2016 Scholarship Program, in support of his internship at the Legal Services of Greater Miami, Inc.



THE BUSINESS OF LAW

On November 1, Carlos L. Alvarez, Senior Chair of Greenberg Traurig spoke at *The Legal Eagle Lecture Series Inaugural Event* at St. Thomas Law. His presentation was both informational and inspirational, and he captivated his audience of more than 70 on the topic of "The Business of Law." During his tenure as CEO, Mr. Alvarez directed Greenberg Traurig's growth from 325 lawyers in eight offices to approximately 1850 attorneys and government professionals in more than 36 locations in the United States, Europe, Asia and Latin America. This event was hosted by the St. Thomas Law Tax Clinic.



STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS

Christian Ferrer, a 3L student, has accepted a paid law clerk position with Pacin Levine, P.A. in Miami, which specializes in Plaintiffs' Personal Injury and PIP.

Carolina Nuche, a 3L student, has accepted a paid law clerk position with Ainsworth & Clancy, a Miami business litigation and immigration firm.

ALUMNI(AE) NEWS

Edward Armellino, a 2014 graduate, Assistant Public Defender with the Law Office of the Public Defender, was recently promoted to the Felony Division with Judge Raag Singhal.

Josue Garcia, a 2015 graduate, has accepted a position with Carnival Cruise Line in their Compliance Global Legal Department.

Robert Kerr, a 2007 graduate, an attorney at Glover, Blount & Kerr in Augusta, Georgia, and a staunch advocate for the welfare of children, was appointed as the special assistant to the Attorney General of the State of Georgia. In this position, Mr. Kerr will represent the Department of Family and Children Services (DFCS) in Richmond, Columbia and Burke counties during legal dependency proceedings.

Alain Roman, a 2015 graduate, has accepted an Associate position with Guttenmacher, Bohatch & Peñaranda, P.A. in South Miami, specializing in tax law.

Jordan Rosales, a 2016 graduate, has accepted an Associate position with Martinez, Roman,

Goehl, P.A. in Miami Lakes, specializing in Workers' Compensation.

Faculty Announcements

Professor **Marcia Narine Weldon** will be presenting on November 11, at the ABA Labor and Enforcement Annual Meeting in Chicago on "Preparing For a Whistleblower Investigation," with a panel of plaintiffs' and defense counsel.

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