



Annette Boyd Pitts ,Dean **Alfredo Garcia**, **Tom Graham '10**, and Assistant Dean **Peter Kelly** at 1L Academic Workshop

ST. THOMAS LAW GATEWAY TO GREAT LEGAL CAREERS

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GUIDELINES ON CHOOSING THE PROPER FORM FOR FILING WITH THE FLORIDA BOARD OF BAR EXAMINERS

All students intending to sit for the Florida Bar will have to complete a Bar Application. The way in which the forms are designated on the Florida Board of Bar Examiners Website is a bit confusing. If you are a first-year student or an **upper level student** who has not previously filed with the Florida Bar and who is **not** planning to sit for the Florida Bar examination before February 2018, you will use the form entitled "Register as a First Year Student." This means 2L students still use this portal. The "Registration" is actually the application, not just a "registration." If you are filing for the first time and you plan to sit for the February or July 2017 exam, then you would use the form entitled "File a Bar Application."

If you previously filed a student or CLI registration, and you plan to sit for the February or July 2017 exam, use the form entitled, "Convert a Student Registration or CLI Registration to Pursue Admission to the Florida Bar."

All of the forms listed above are available under the "Checklists, Forms, Study Guides, and Information" tab on the main page of the Florida Board of Bar Examiners Website. If you have

WHAT'S GOING ON

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| September 15: | L & L Exploring Small Firm 102 @ noon |
| September 15: | Prayers and Reflection, Room 109A @ noon |
| September 16: | Anti-Human Trafficking Conference, Moot Courtroom @ 8:30 a.m. |
| September 20: | L & L Jose Baez, Room Moot Courtroom @ noon |
| September 23: | Professionalism Day, Moot Courtroom @ 9:00 a.m. |
| September 27: | L & L Miami-Dade Commission on Ethics and Public Trust, Room A-111 @ noon |

any questions or need assistance, contact Assistant Dean **Barbara Singer** at bsinger@stu.edu or Assistant Dean **John Hernandez** at jhernandez@stu.edu

Representative from the Florida Board of Bar Examiners will be making a presentation from 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. on Friday, September 23, 2016, in the Moot Courtroom. All 1L students are required to attend. Any 2L or 3L student who has not yet filed the bar application may want to attend as well. There is a question and answer session at the end of the presentation.

HISPANIC NATIONAL BAR ASSOCIATION 5TH ANNUAL ANTI-HUMAN TRAFFICKING CONFERENCE

The Hispanic National Bar Association (HNBA) of Florida is hosting its 5th Annual Anti-Human Trafficking Conference at St. Thomas University School of Law on Friday, September 16, 2016, in the Moot Courtroom. The conference will cover the Congressional report on trafficking in Latin America, the relationship between environmental destruction and human trafficking, labor trafficking, the financial industry identifies patterns of money laundering by traffickers, the role of religious organizations for survivors, how hospitals are identifying victims of trafficking and protecting their medical information, the Women's Fund joins the fight against human trafficking in Florida, and a report regarding a recent study on human trafficking in the Congo.

Registration is free, and a light breakfast will be served. Florida Bar CLE credits will be available for attorneys attending the conference.

Please RSVP to: mvargas@hinshawlaw.com

DECEMBER GRADUATION INFORMATION

December graduation is scheduled for Saturday, December 17, 2016, at St. Thomas University, in the Fernandez Family Center for Leadership and Wellness, at 10:00 a.m. The Graduation Mass is scheduled for Friday, December 16, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. at St. Thomas University, in the Chapel of Saint Anthony.

Law School graduation registration is September 26 through 30, 2017, in the Registrar's Office. Joint degree students must register with both the law school and the university Registrar. The deadline to register with the University is September 30, 2016.

FIRST LUNCH AND LEARN: U.S. SECURITIES AND EXCHANGES COMMISSION

The Office for Career Development began its 2016-2017 Lunch & Learns on August 23, 2016 by hosting the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission. The speakers were Lisa T. Roberts, Chief, Attorney Advisor; and Jacqueline M. O'Reilly, Attorney with the SEC Miami Regional Office. They shared information on internship and employment opportunities including the Spring 2017 Honors Program and the Summer 2017 Honors Program. More than 60 students were in attendance.



EXPLORING SMALL FIRM PRACTICE

The Office of Career Development presents... "Exploring Small Firm Practice" lunch and learn, on Thursday, September 15, 2016, in Room 102 at noon. Representatives from the Solo and Small

Firm Section of the Florida Bar will give a brief overview of small firm practices. Please RSVP to Assistant Dean **Lourdes B. Fernandez** atlbfernandez@stu.edu if you would like to attend the meeting. Lunch will be provided.

WEEKLY OPPORTUNITY FOR PRAYER AND REFLECTION

The St. Thomas More Catholic Law Society invites the law school community to gather for a few moments of prayer and reflection every Thursday at noon, for 10 minutes, in Room 109A (seminar room in the rear of the law library). All faiths are welcomed for prayer, reflection, and meditation.

21ST ANNUAL BUSINESS LAW SECTION LABOR DAY RETREAT

Four St. Thomas Law students, **Robert Ibarra** (3L), **Yamila Lorenzo** (2L), **Leighton Regis** (3L), and **Jeremy Solorzano** (3L) attended the 21st Annual Business Law Section 2016 Labor Day Retreat in Naples. Their attendance was made possible by the generous financial contributions of The Business Law Section of the Florida Bar's Scholars Program and St. Thomas Law. The students participated in workshops, meetings, receptions, and dinners regarding "business" related topics. They networked and made a substantial number of connections.



Pictured: Robert Ibarra, Jeremy Solorzano, Paul Singerman (Partner of Berger Singerman LLP), Yamila Lorenzo, and Leighton Regis.

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS

Ian Corp, a 2L student, accepted a law clerk position at Gazitua Letelier, a lobbying firm in Coral Gables. Gazitua Letelier is a Miami Government Relations and Miami Lobbying firm serving elected officials, businesses, international clients, technology organizations, and trade associations.

Marc Rapaport, a 3L student, accepted a law clerk position at Friedland Vining, PA, a boutique intellectual property firm. Friedland Vining serves clients in advising, negotiating, and executing acquisition transactions involving patents, trademarks, copyrights, trade secrets, and domain names. It advises clients on how to obtain, protect, commercialize, and transfer intellectual property rights.

ALUMNI(AE) NEWS

Andrea Aguilar, a 2016 graduate, was accepted into to Georgetown's LL.M. Tax program.

Monika H. Entin, a 2001 graduate, was promoted to Partner at Bercow Radell & Fernandez, one of South Florida's premier boutique law firms specializing in land use, zoning, and environmental matters. Entin's practice covers land use and zoning matters throughout Miami-Dade County, with a primary concentration in Miami Beach.

Jenelle La Chuisa, a 1994 graduate, opened her own practice in Miami. La Chuisa Law is located at 1001 Brickell Bay Drive. Jenelle's specialties include arbitration, business law, start-up services, commercial litigation, and appeals.

Albert Li, a 2015 graduate, has accepted an Associate position with Cole Scott & Kissane in Miami. A full-service law firm, Cole, Scott & Kissane, P.A., provides its clients with experienced

counsel and services in numerous areas of the law.

Louisa Ramsammy, a 2015 graduate, has accepted an Associate position with Rudd & Diamond, P.A., in Hollywood.

Faculty Announcements

Adjunct Professor **Attilio Costabel**'s article "International Sales Under the CISG Convention in Cuba," *International Law Quarterly*, published by the International Law Committee of the Florida Bar, Cuban Law Subcommittee, will be appearing online momentarily. Professor Costabel contributed Chapter 7-Charter Parties and Chapter 11-Sales of Vessels, in the 5th edition of *Maritime Law and Practice* Publication of the Florida Bar, which was updated on August 26, 2016.

Professor **Douglas Ray**, with Professor Cameron of Southwestern, has just published an article, Revisiting the Offensive Bargaining Lockout on the Fiftieth Anniversary of *American Ship Building Company v. NLRB*, 31 ABA Journal of Labor and Employment Law 325-361 (2016).

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