



St. Thomas Law News

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New Law School Adjunct Professors

This week in our adjunct professor segment, we feature the 10th President of St. Thomas University, David A. Armstrong, who is teaching Sports Law on Wednesday evening.

President Armstrong comes to St. Thomas University from Thomas More College, a Catholic liberal arts school belonging to the Diocese of Covington, Kentucky, where he was president from 2013 until leaving to head St. Thomas University. Born and raised in Cleveland, Ohio, President Armstrong holds a Juris Doctor from Cleveland-Marshall College of Law and a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science, with a minor in accounting, from Mercyhurst University.

President Armstrong has been recognized throughout his professional career as the recipient of the following awards: "Carpe Diem

Award" (highest distinction awarded to graduating senior), Mercyhurst University (1986); Rhodes Scholar Candidate; GTE Academic All-American; Member, Football Hall of Fame, Mercyhurst University (1991); Charter Member Athletic Hall of Fame, Mercyhurst University (1996); Member, Alumni Hall of Fame, St. Peter Chanel (OH) High School (2009); and Distinguished Alumni Award for Outstanding Service in a Chosen Field, Mercyhurst University (2015).

President Armstrong is a nationally-recognized speaker on future trends of higher education law and Title IX issues. He has dedicated his career to making sure small, faith-based colleges not only survive but also thrive in the new landscape of higher education. President Armstrong strives to advance the mission and work of St. Thomas University with a collaborative, innovative spirit, which will yield exciting new ventures and help expand the college's regional and national footprint. ❖

St. Thomas Law: Gateway to Great Legal Careers

Jessie Betancourt (2L) completed a Summer Internship with Judge Oscar Rodriguez-Fonts, Eleventh Judicial Circuit of Florida Circuit Criminal Division in Miami.

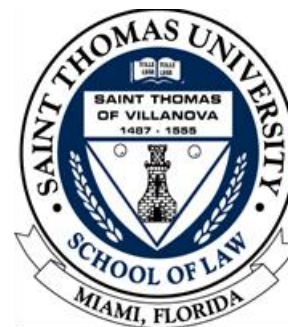
Bradley Cook (3L) completed a Summer Internship Judge Beth Bloom, United States District Court for the Southern District of Florida, in Miami.

Heather Carnegie, a 2018 graduate, accepted an Associate position with the Law Office of Jeff Albert, P.A., in Coral Springs, specializing in Civil Litigation.

Jillian Tate, a 2018 graduate, accepted an Assistant State Attorney position with the Office of the State Attorney, 17th Judicial Circuit, in Fort Lauderdale. ❖

Campus Events

- September 20: 2018 Supreme Court Roundtable, Room CPD-113 @ 12:00 p.m.
- September 20: Interplay of Established Alcohol Law & Emerging Cannabis Law L & L, Room 104 @ 12:00 p.m.
- September 20: Hispanic Heritage Month Presentation, Moot Courtroom @ 12:00 p.m.
- September 21: Legal Skills Class, Moot Courtroom @ 10:30 a.m. & 2:00 p.m.
- September 24 – 28: December Graduation Registration, Law School Registrar's Counter
- September 25: Rachel Canfield '09, Speak to Federal Bar Association, Room 103 @ 12:00 p.m.
- September 25: Bar Induction Ceremony, Moot Courtroom @ 3:00 p.m.
- September 26: Salsa with the Dean, Cordero Breezeway @ 5:10 p.m.
- September 26 & 27: Prayer Meeting, Room 109A @ 12:00 p.m.



Mandatory Title IX Training for All Law Students

All law students are required to take the SafeColleges Title IX online training. SafeColleges provides students with access to a comprehensive library of engaging courses. All training completion is tracked automatically.

This program offers several self-paced safety courses that can be accessed 24/7 and come with a printable certificate of successful completion.

Students will receive an e-mail from SafeColleges notifying them of the training. Using the link provided in the e-mail, students will enter their username (Student ID number). Once the student logs in, he or she needs to select Course Number: **LAW-600A** Campus SaVe Act – Sex Violence Awareness and Intimate Partner Violence.

Legal Skills Class Meeting

The Legal Skills class required for all first-year students has been rescheduled to Friday, September 21, 2018, in the Moot Courtroom. Sections 1A, 3A, 2C, and 3B will meet at 10:30 a.m. Sections 1B, 1C, 2B, and 3C will meet at 2:00 p.m. Students in sections 2C and 3B's Legal Writing class will begin at 12:45 p.m., instead of its regular time. All other sections will attend their Legal Writing class at its regular schedule time.

Selection for Commercial Bar Preparation Program for December Graduates

Any third-year student who plans to take the Bar examination following graduation needs to make a Bar Preparation Program selection by submitting a Bar Review Selection Form to the Law School Registrar's Office. You can pick any ONE of the following three options: BARBRI Bar Review Program, KAPLAN Bar Review Program, or Themis Bar Review Program.

You must notify the Law School Registrar of your final and official selection (or make any modifications to the selection that you have already made) by **Friday, October 12, 2018**. We will not be able to make any modifications to your selection after that date, so make sure you finalize your selection by 5:00 p.m. on October 12th. **After that date**, we will be invoiced and pay for your program, so **NO ADJUSTMENTS CAN BE MADE**. Making an election with the representatives from the bar preparation company or filling out their registration forms (which may be required by the programs), does not act as the election that you are making to the law school. The law school is going to pay for whichever program you have notified us that you are taking by completing the law school form. Similarly, submitting the Bar Review Selection Form to the Law School **does not** automatically register you for your desired bar prep program. Be sure to contact the appropriate Bar Prep Program representative for registration requirements.

Please note that your selection is final upon submission and cannot be changed after the deadline date. In addition to the Bar Review Selection Form, make sure to fill out the registration form with the appropriate Bar Prep Program Provider. ❖

Smoke- and Tobacco-Free Campus

St. Thomas University is a smoke- and tobacco- free campus as of August 15, 2018. We join the growing ranks of colleges and universities that are committed to providing a cleaner and healthier environment for students, faculty, staff, and visitors. According to [Tobacco Free Campus](#), there are now at least 2,164 campus' nationwide that are smoke-free.

In 2013, the University restricted smokers to designated areas throughout the campus. With a growing interest from the community, the University has decided to become a smoke- and tobacco-free campus. This policy is effective immediately.

Let's make STU an amazing environment for learning and working by adhering to our new smoke- and tobacco-free campus policy. ❖

St. Thomas University Launches Football, Marching Band, and Choir Program in Fall 2019

President Armstrong announced on August 28, 2018, St. Thomas University is launching a football team, marching band, and choir. STU, a full-time member of The Sun Conference and the NAIA, will compete in the Mid-South Conference. The Bobcats will begin Spring Practice in the Spring of 2019 with games beginning in the Fall of 2019.

Kenneth Carr, the new Band and Choir Director, was hired on Monday, September 17. Mr. Carr comes to St. Thomas University from the Cincinnati, Ohio, northern Kentucky region where he enjoyed a 20-year career in music education. Mr. Carr earned his Bachelor of Music Education degree from Northern Kentucky University in 1998, his Master of Education degree from Walden University in 2007, and currently is completing another Masters in Music Education at Campbellsville University. ❖

ACLU of Florida's 2018 Lawyers Conference

Second-year law student **Ashley Larkin** received a *highly competitive* scholarship to attend the ACLU of Florida's 2018 Lawyers Conference in Delray Beach. The Conference took place September 6 through 8, and participants discussed many topics, including first amendment rights, prison reform, immigration reform, and the importance of prosecutors and public defenders working together to improve the criminal justice system. ❖

U.S. Securities & Exchange Commission Lunch & Learn

On August 30, 2018, St. Thomas Law Office for Career Development hosted the U.S. Securities & Exchange Commission for a Lunch and Learn with 15 students in attendance. Ms. Lisa Roberts, Attorney Advisor to the Regional Director, and Mr. Steven Meiner, Senior Counsel in the Division of Enforcement, shared their experiences working with the U.S. Securities & Exchange Commission and the various departments they have worked in during their tenure with the organization. Furthermore, they advised the students on the internship opportunities with the U.S. Securities & Exchange Commission as well as things they look for on resumes and during the interview process for prospective interns. ❖

U.S. Marines JAG Officers Table Talk in the Breezeway

On August 29, 2018, St. Thomas Law Office for Career Development hosted representatives from the United States Marines Corps. Captain Valerie Krygier and Captain Michael Beckman visited campus to speak with the students about employment and internship opportunities. Approximately 15 to 20 students stopped by the table to speak with the representatives regarding joining the U.S. Marines Corps JAG. ❖

Student Achievements

Saul Canelo (3L) completed a Summer Internship with the National Labor Relations Board.

Isabel González (2L) completed a Summer Internship position with De Cambra Abogados Attorneys, in Madrid, Spain.

Ricky J. Marc (3L) completed a Summer Internship as a Legislative Assistant to Senator Bobby Powell, District 30, in the Florida Senate.

Katherine Santana (2L) completed a Summer Internship as a Certified Legal Intern with Florida Department of Children and Families, Children's Legal Services, in Miami. ❖

Alumni(ae) News

Maitte Barrientos, a 2018 graduate, accepted an Associate position with Cordero & Associates in Miami, specializing in Immigration Law.

Alexander Cohen, a 2018 graduate, was accepted into the LL.M. program at the University of Miami Heckerling Institute on Estate Planning.

Josh Dieguez, a 2017 graduate, was elected to the City Council for Miami Lakes.

Kathryn Hill, a 2018 graduate, accepted a paid Internship with the Delegate to Congress of the Virgin Islands in Washington, D.C. ❖

Faculty Announcements

Professor **Lauren Gilbert**'s, article entitled "Trump doesn't need a wall – he has Jeff Session," was published in *The Hill*. Professor Gilbert is an opinion contributor for *The Hill*. Anyone interested in reading her article can do so by going to <http://thehill.com/opinion/immigration/406734-trump-doesnt-need-a-wall-he-has-jeff-sessions> ❖



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