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DE LAW NEWS

WIDENER UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW ~ Delaware campus

DEBATE

U.S. Senate Candidates

Chris Coons and Christine O'Donnell

have agreed to debate

at *Widener School of Law*

on

Tuesday, Oct. 19, 8:00 a.m.

Doors open at 7:00 a.m., open to the public. It will be held in the Ruby Vale Moot Courtroom. Seating is on a first-come, first-served basis. This will be broadcast to classrooms 119,126 and the Student Lounge.

The debate also will be broadcast live on

1150 AM WDEL.

Help Wanted & Info

THE DELAWARE CIVIL CLINIC

Interpreter

DCC is seeking anyone who can speak a foreign language (especially Spanish) to act as an interpreter for our foreign speaking clients seeking legal assistance through the clinic. Please contact Pat Gallen, Secretary to the Delaware Civil Clinic at (302) 477-2061.

Any volunteers may count their hours towards Pro Bono Distinction

DELAWARE VOLUNTEER LEGAL SERVICES

Work Study Positions

Available for Legal Help Link
This semester ! Apply now.
Contact: Jacki Chacona, Esq.
478-8680 ext. 212

Research Assistant

Constitutional Law

Must be have at least a working knowledge of Spanish and must have done well in Constitutional Law I. Please send resume and cover letter to Professor Erin Daly at edaly@widener.edu

Graduate Programs Office

Work Study Positions

Eligible work study students needed to work in the Graduate Programs Office for various office tasks. Please send resume to: Karla Harris, Graduate Programs Office or email to: kmharris@widener.edu

BOOKSTORE

www.widenerlawbookstore.com

Monday & Tuesday
9:00 a.m. - 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday & Thursday
9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Friday
9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

302-478-0606

ARAMARK

Barristers' Club

Monday thru Wednesday ~
11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Crown Court

Monday thru Wednesday ~
8:30 - 10:30 a.m. & 2:30 - 7:00 p.m.

Thursday ~ 8:30 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Friday ~ 8:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Barristers' Club & Crown Court will be closed on Tuesday, Oct 19th for In-service day.

WEEKLY EVENTS

12 In-Service Day (no classes)

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The Registrar's Office

Information Line
(302) 477-2149

Email Address:
delreg@widener.edu

STUDENT-FACULTY BROWN BAG LUNCHEON

Thursday, October 14th
Barristers' Club
Noon

THE "MOSQUE AT" GROUND ZERO

Discussion is open for all, and all ideas and input are welcome. Bring your lunch and your ideas.

Faculty Planners: Professors Henderson, Kristl, Garfield and Epstein

Student Organizations

ARIZONA IMMIGRATION LAW PANEL DISCUSSION

What are the potential ramifications if this law is upheld and takes root on a federal level.

Wednesday, Nov. 10, at 4:30 p.m., in the Vale Courtroom

and will be teleconferenced to the Harrisburg Campus. Refreshments to be served afterward in the Student Lounge where the panelists will network and answer further questions.

The moderator will be **Associate Professor Jill Family** of our sister campus in Harrisburg.

Panelists:

Matthew I. Hirsch

http://law.widener.edu/Academics/Faculty/ProfilesDeAdj/HirschMatthewI.aspx

Steven P. Barsamian, Esquire

http://www.barsamianlaw.com/Overview.shtml

Theodore J Murphy

http://www.murphy-law-firm.com/about-murphy-law-firm.html

Associate Professor Stephen E. Henderson

http://law.widener.edu/Academics/Faculty/ProfilesDe/HendersonStephenE.aspx

United States Court of Federal Claims

The united States Court of Federal Claims will hear Oral Arguments in the matter of *Michael Urban v. United States.*

The *Honorable Loren A. Smith, Senior Judge and former Widener Professor*, will preside over the case, brought by Urban, a Widener Law Student and Veterans clinic Client who is represented *by Taishoff Professor of Law Thomas J. Reed, Esq.*

Look for more information to follow about this event as well as a panel of the Court's law clerks about federal clerkships.

STUDENT BAR ASSOCIATION

ATTENTION STUDENTS ! !

Don't forget to check out the Widener Delaware SBA WEB PAGE for events, hot topics, news, links, and polls on issues facing our campus !! (http://blogs.law.widener.edu/sbadelaware/)

Study Aids / Materials for Students

Please be advised that the Office of Student Affairs has several study guides / aids available for students to borrow - See Debra Berry for details

The Library also has study aids / guides and commercial outlines for students - check at the reference desk

Evening Students !!

The following offices have extended hours: (To speak with a particular individual during these extended hours, please e-mail or call that person in advance to be sure they will be there as the staff rotates the extended office hours.)

Office of Student Affairs: Mondays and Thursdays until 6:30 p.m.

Registrar: Wednesdays and Thursdays until 6:30 p.m.

Bursar: Mondays and Thursdays until 6:30 p.m.

Financial Aid: Thursdays until 6:30 p.m.

REMINDER TO ALL STUDENTS FACULTY AND STAFF

For upcoming events please remember to also check the SBA TWEN Page, the SBA WEBSITE (http://blogs.law.widener.edu/sbadelaware/ and the SBA Facebook page (http://www.facebook.com/event.php?eid=112912748769167#!/Widener.Law.De.SBA)

SOUNDING BOARD -- Sound Off !!

Each week the Student Bar Association will have Board Members, Student Representatives, or Student Organization Leaders posted in Crown Court and the Student Lounge to hear from students. You can use this as an opportunity to hear about upcoming events, offer an opinion on an issue facing the school, students or student organizations, suggest events / speakers / programs, meet student leaders, learn about student organizations and vent about things that are on your mind. Each week the day/time and representative will be posted in the *DE Law News*, on the blue screens, and on the SBA Web page and Facebook.

STUDENT BAR ASSOCIATION

October 16 - Dom del Pino at 4 p.m.

check blue screen and digest for weekly updates

STUDENT BAR ASSOCIATION - MONTHLY TOWN HALL MEETING

All students are welcome and encouraged to attend, all student reps must attend and every student organization must send at least one representative.

Refreshments provided

October 14 - 5:00 p.m., L-122

Special guests - Dorothy Hemphill, Assistant Dean and Registrar; Walter Derricotte, Widener Law fund; for information and questions

November 18 - 5:00 p.m., L-122

look for announcement as to guest speakers in future issues

Student Discounts Available

- Scrimmages Restaurant - 20% off food bill - present your student, faculty, staff ID when you pay.

- Firestone Auto - 10% discount with your Widener ID

* Look for more discounts soon as we continue to try and find stores, restaurants and other vendors that offer discounts to students !

MOE LEVINE TRIAL ADVOCACY HONOR

The Moe Levine Trial Advocacy Honor Society is proud to announce the following students have been selected as new members:

Jessica Amoroso	Justin Anderson
Gillian Andrews	George Asllani
Harrison Carpenter	John Crohe
Morrison Fairbairn	Patty Glavin
Ronald Golden	Chris Goldschmidt
Hollis Fishman	Nathalie Hacket
Kelly Hicks	Eric Laury
Susan Lufadeju	Nicholas Madiou
Peter McGivney	Alicea Milbourne
Ryan Moriarity	Kevin O'Brien
Danielle Oppenheim	Kimberly Renner
Stewart Ryan	Leah Triola
Tetra Shockley	Greg Skolnik
Ashley Talley	Chris Walther

The Executive Board would like to thank everyone who participated in the Intrascholastic Tryouts. We strongly encourage everyone who tried out to take part in the Hugh B. Pearce competition in the spring. Reaching the finals of the Pearce Competition will also serve as an avenue for membership to the Society.

THE MOOT COURT HONOR SOCIETY PRESENTS

THE 32ND ANNUAL JUDGE G. FRED DIBONA INTRASCHOLASTIC COMPETITION

The 32nd Annual Judge G. Fred DiBona Moot Court Competition is open to all 2RD, 2ED, 3RD, 3ED, and 4ED students with a G.P.A of 2.7 or above.

This competition is mandatory for all Moot Court members.

Students who sign up are required to download the packet and present a ten-minute oral argument during preliminary rounds.

Please note that packet pick up obligates you to compete.

Competitors that advance to the semi-final round will be offered membership in the Moot Court Honor Society.

Packet Distribution

The DiBona Competition packet will be available on the Moot Court web page on Monday, Oct. 11,at 3:00 p.m.

Competition Rounds

all rounds will be held on the Delaware Campus of Widener Law School starting at 6:00 p.m.

Preliminary Round:
Wednesday, Oct. 20
Thursday, Oct. 21

Round of 16:
Tuesday, Oct. 26

Quarter Finals:
Thursday, Oct. 28

Semi-Finals:
Tuesday, Nov. 2

Finals:
Wednesday, Nov. 3

Reception to follow the Final Round in the Barristers' Club

If you have any questions, please contact Nina Staggers (Dibona Chairman) at 477-2799 or njstaggers@mail.widener.edu or stop by the Moot Court offices in Polishook Hall.

Widener OUTLAW

presents

Faisal Alam

discussing

"Hidden Voices: The Law and Lives of LGBT Muslims"

Tuesday, October 19 from 5-6 PM

at

Widener University School of Law

Barrister's Club Room.

Refreshments and hors d'oeuvres served at networking event following the talk.

Questions can be directed to Ostin Warren: ostin@msn.com or 406-490-1664

Widener OUTLAW

More Info. On Hidden Voices

Presentation Description: "Hidden Voices: The Lives of LGBT Muslims" aims to highlight the many struggles and challenges facing sexual and gender minorities within the Muslim world and to examine the complex intersection of Islam, sexuality and gender. With more than 1.5 billion followers Islam is considered to be the fastest growing religion in the world today, yet the Western world continues to view it with skepticism and uncertainty. While aiming to dispel common stereotypes and myths about Islam, this presentation will also explore the history of the queer Muslim movement in the United States and the suppression of LGBT rights around the world under the guise of the so-called "war on terror. Using his own life experience and by exploring the complex history of the Islamic world, "Hidden Voices" strives to bring new light onto the lives of an often invisible and silent community: Muslims who are lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, intersex and questioning.

Faisal Alam's Biography: Faisal Alam is a queer-identified Muslim activist of Pakistani descent. At age 19, while trying to reconcile his sexuality with his faith, Faisal organized the first-ever gathering of LGBT Muslims, which led to the founding of Al-Fatiha, an organization for lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, intersex & questioning (LGBTIQ) Muslims, and their allies. Faisal led the organization from its inception in 1997 to 2003 as its volunteer director. The mission of Al-Fatiha is to support and empower LGBTIQ Muslims seeking ways to integrate their faith and their sexual orientation or gender identity.

Since founding Al-Fatiha, Faisal has traveled across the country and around the world to meet with LGBTIQ Muslims to build a global queer Muslim movement. Faisal's queer Muslim activism has been featured in LGBT and mainstream media including the *New York Times*, *San Francisco Chronicle*, *BBC World News*, *Al-Hayat*, and the *Washington Post*.

Faisal has received numerous recognitions and awards for his activism on behalf of queer Muslims. The *Advocate Magazine* selected him as an "Innovator," *Genre Magazine* has recognized him as a "Founding Father," and the *Utne Reader* chose Faisal as one of 30 "Young Visionaries Under 30." In April 2005 the Equality Forum recognized Faisal as one of "40 Heroes" who have "made a defining difference in LGBT civil rights over the last forty years," and in June 2008 Faisal received recognition and an award from Pride Toronto for his "outstanding contribution in the area of spirituality that positively impacts LGBT communities."

RECYCLE

Did you know....

garbage has been an issue for people in permanent settlements since 10,000 BC?

the first metal recycling in America occurred in 1776 when patriots in New York City melted down a statue of King George III and made it into bullets?

the first recycling center was established in New York City in 1897?

the Fresh Kills landfill established in 1947 in Staten Island, New York is the world's largest city dump?

the Fresh Kills landfill in Staten Island, New York and the Great Wall of China are the only man-made objects visible from space? That's a lot of garbage!

all beverage cans are made from aluminum and we use about 400 aluminum cans per person per year?

Remember: Reduce, Reuse, Recycle

Please remember to use the Widener Law recycling containers to recycle here on campus. It is our responsibility to preserve and protect our natural resources for future generations.

INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMS – SUMMER 2011

Venice

- Studying overseas can be a tremendous asset to a legal education and summer is the perfect time to earn credits while experiencing international cultures and learning different perspectives of faculty and students from foreign countries in Widener's International Law Institutes in Venice, Nairobi, Sydney, and Lausanne.

Nairobi

- With the globalization of the world economy,an understanding of international business, trade, and jurisdiction has become essential for the modern lawyer.

Sydney

- Faculty members are drawn from Widener School of Law as well as from universities and international organizations in each city. Members of the bench and bar of the host country provide special lectures and seminar discussions.

Lausanne

- Why not consider adding a law-related experience to your resume' that stands out to employers and may open opportunities in an increasingly global world of law practice.

- Take a tour of our programs at law.widener.edu or call the Coordinator of International Programs at (302) 477-2248.

Pro Bono Celebration 5K Run/Walk
October 24, 2010

Time: 9:00AM
Registration opens at 8:15AM

Course: Dravo Plaza at Riverfront Wilmington

Delaware Pro Bono Celebration 5K Long Sleeve T-Shirts to all participants

Entry Fee: $18 Pre-Registration by October 20, 2010

$20 after 10/20/2010

Mail entry form and check to:
DVLS at PO Box 7306
Wilmington, DE 19803

or

Register Online with a credit/debit card at www.dvls.org

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Celebrate Pro Bono Delaware
Legal Services for the Public Good

Make Check payable to DVLS

Waiver of Release of Liability: in consideration of this entry being accepted, I, intending to be legally bound hereby for myself, my heirs, executors, administrators, waive and release any and all rights I may have against DVLS, organizers and sponsors, or any personnel for any injury that I might suffer in this event. I attest that I am phyiscally fit and prepared for this event. I grant full permission for organizers to use photographs of me and quotations from me in legitimate accounts and promotions of this event.

_____Entry Fee $20 ($18 on or before October 20, 2010)

T-Shirt Size (please circle) XS S M L XL

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Name

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Address

_____
Phone and Email

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Sex D.O.B.

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Signature (Parent/Guardian must sign if under 18)

*MASTER CALENDAR * ACADEMIC YEAR 2010/2011*

October
12 In-Service Day (no classes)
24 BarBri MPRE review lecture - 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., in Vale
27 DE Professionalism Day/Night (attendance required) (no classes)

November
8 No Monday classes meet; Wednesday class schedule followed
24-28 Thanksgiving holiday (no classes)

December
6 Last day of classes
7-8 Reading Period
9-22 Final Examinations

January
3-8 Intensive Spring courses week
11 Classes begin
11-18 Add/Drop Period
17 Martin Luther King Day (no classes)
18 No Tuesday classes meet; Monday class schedule followed

February
16 In-Service Day (no classes)

March
7-12 Spring Break (no classes)

April
7 Make-up Day; if not used, no classes meet
22 Good Friday holiday (no classes)
29 Last day of classes
30-May 1 Reading Period

May
2-17 Final Examinations
18-25 Delaware I.T.A.P.
21 Commencement — Delaware
24-*June* 23 Trial Admissions Program
30 Memorial Day
31 Classes begin
31-June 2 Add/Drop

June
21 No Tuesday classes meet; Monday class schedule followed
28 & 30 Trial Admissions Program Examinations

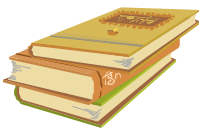
July
4 Fourth of July Holiday; no classes
19 Last day of classes
20 Reading Period
21-28 Final Examinations

See De Law News on our website
law.widener.edu

DE LAW NEWS Submission information

The ***NEXT*** issue will be published on **October 18.** Submission deadline to ***Christy Farley*** (**delawnews@mail.widener.edu**), 4th Floor Law Building, is **NOON, Wednesday, October 13.**

LEGAL INFORMATION CENTER News



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Regular Library Hours

Monday - Thursday	**8 a.m. - Midnight**
Friday	**8 a.m. - 11 p.m.**
Saturday	**8 a.m. - 10 p.m.**
Sunday	**10 a.m. - Midnight**

The Library's New Bookshelf

The revolving bookcase that stands between the Reference Desk and Computer Hex 1 in the Library is called the "New Bookshelf" in our library catalog. It contains both books and DVDs, all of which have some type of legal theme. The DVDs may be checked out for three days, with one renewal allowed. Some of the titles are: *My Cousin Vinny, 12 Angry Men, Inherit the Wind,* and *Sleepers*. The books are all newly-acquired books, which may be checked out for three weeks. Some of the titles are: *One Nation, Underprivileged; Toxic Loopholes; The Law and Harry Potter;* and *The Myth of Rights.* After several months on the New Bookshelf, the books are shelved in the treatise section of the Library according to their Library of Congress classification number.

Library Open October 11 and 12

The Legal Information Center will be open from 8:00 a.m. until midnight, as usual, on Columbus Day, October 11, and the faculty inservice day, October 12. There are no classes on Tuesday, October 12.

Meet the Library Staff: Maggie Adams

Margaret Stewart Adams, Reference/Outreach Librarian, is a Delaware native who graduated from Newark High School, then went on to study philosophy, with a minor in legal studies, at the U. of Delaware a few blocks away. After working at Borders for two years, Maggie came to Widener as a library assistant in the director's office in 1998. She received her master's degree in library science from Syracuse University in 2002, after completing most of her work online and part on the Syracuse campus. She worked as our Serials Librarian, then became the Serials/Outreach Librarian because of her talent for training faculty and students to use online resources. Her favorite part of her work is sitting at the Reference Desk, ready to help whoever needs her expertise in print or online legal research. Some of Maggie's inspiration to excel in the legal field came from her mother, Patricia Tate Stewart, a Widener alumna who is a retired Family Court commissioner and has been an adjunct faculty member for 25 years, teaching various aspects of family law. Maggie and her husband Ken, a freelance graphic designer, are avid Eagles fans who watch every game. Maggie loves knitting and working in her garden at her house in Newark. She admits that her cats, Sadie and Wednesday, are two-year - old terrors. Summer vacations are usually spent with family at Long Beach Island, NJ.