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Albie Sachs, Former South African Justice, Speaks at UK Law



On Friday, April 12, The College of Law hosted former South African Constitutional Court Justice Albie Sachs. Justice Sachs delivered his lecture, *The Sacred and the Secular: South Africa's Constitutional Court Rules on Same-Sex Marriages*, holding the audience in rapt attention as he told the story of the process and decision-making that led the Constitutional Court to rule in favor of same-sex marriages in 2005. The lecture, part of the Roy R. and Virginia F. Ray Lecture Series, was well attended, and was followed by a brief question-and-answer session. Justice Sachs presented to the College of Law a copy of the Constitution of South Africa to commemorate his visit.

Talk to us!

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Collin Schueler Announced as Visiting Assistant Professor

Collin Schueler (2010) has accepted the position of Visiting Assistant Professor at the College of Law. Professor Schueler clerked for District Judge Karen Caldwell (1980) and Court of Appeals Judge John Rogers before serving in the Department of Justice Honors program doing immigration work in San Francisco. Professor Schueler will teach Immigration Law and Professional Responsibility starting this fall.



A Note From the Dean *April 2013*

This is always a nostalgic time of year for me. As you read this, our law students will be knee-deep in finals. Their effort and concentration is contagious as they prepare. For many of them, this is the end to their final semester of law school, and they are looking forward to what comes after – moving out of their law school apartment, the bar exam, employment. I'm sure you all can remember the heady excitement and hint of trepidation of those days.

As we wrap up this academic year, our thoughts turn naturally to next fall and what it will bring. I am looking forward to meeting the Class of 2016. We've just passed our initial deposit deadline and are expecting an exemplary class of future legal scholars.

The fall will also bring our 17th Ray Lecture, who I'm pleased to announce will be U.S. Supreme Court Justice Elena Kagan. We are still firming up the details of her visit, but they will be announced as soon as they're available. I hope you will make plans to join us if you're able.

As always, I hope this newsletter finds you and your loved ones in good health.

Sincerely,
David A. Brennan

Richard Ausness and **Mary Davis** were among forty torts scholars who were invited to attend the Searle Center Book Conference at Northwestern University Law School, held to honor Professor Marshall Shapo.

Stephen Clowney's essay, "Doing Affirmative Action," has been published on *First Impressions*, the online companion to the *Michigan Law Review*. [Click here](#) to read the article.

Jim Donovan's article, "Becoming Director: An Internal Candidate's View," has been published in Volume 34 of *Library Management* (with Pat Newcombe).

Joshua Douglas placed his article, "The Right to Vote Under State Constitutions," with the *Vanderbilt Law Review*. "Procedural Fairness in Election Contests" has been published in the *Indiana Law Journal*. In March, he appeared on [HuffPost Live](#) to discuss the Supreme Court and a voting rights case out of Arizona.

Brian Frye's film, *Our Nixon*, has been acquired by CNN and will be broadcast on television later this summer, and released in select theatrical venues. The film had its U.S. premiere at the South by Southwest Conference and Festival, won the Ken Burns Award for Best of the Festival at the Ann Arbor Film Festival, and was selected to be the closing night film in the Museum of Modern Art/Lincoln Center series, "New Directors/New Films."

Nicole Huberfeld organized the Medicaid Matters Workshop, which was held at the College of Law in March. At the workshop, she presented "With Liberty and Access for Some: The ACA's Disconnect for Women's Health," which is forthcoming this spring in the *Fordham Urban Law Journal*. The workshop will result in a symposium issue for the *Kentucky Law Journal* featuring eight excellent scholars from across the country.

In June, **Diane Kraft** and **Melissa Henke** will be presenting at the Association of Legal Writing Directors Conference.

Richard Westin has agreed with Bureau of National Affairs to revise his two portfolios (Nos. 601 and 603) on the federal taxation of mineral exploration and development, and the federal taxation of mining operations. Each portfolio is an extensive study.

Upcoming UK CLE EVENTS

MAY 1 & 2, 2013

28th Annual National Conference on Equine Law
Keeneland Racecourse, Lexington, Kentucky

JUNE 6 & 7, 2013

16th Biennial Judge Joe Lee Bankruptcy Institute
Campbell House Crowne Plaza, Lexington, Kentucky

Alumni Notes

Booker T. (Chip) Washington (2012) has accepted a position as the Staff Civil Rights Attorney for the Council on American-Islamic Relations (CAIR) for the Cincinnati/Northern Kentucky Region. He was also recently appointed as the Administrator of the Community Corrections Program for Campbell County, Ky.

Brittany C. MacGregor (2011), formerly of Fogle Keller Purdy, has joined McBrayer, McGinnis, Leslie & Kirkland as an associate in the firm's real estate practice group.



Daniel J. Mudd (2010) is the most recent addition to Frost Brown Todd's newly-created Regional State Tax and Incentives Team. Through his representation of a number of prominent national and local clients, Mudd has gained experience and expertise in the areas of sales and healthcare-related tax, tobacco tax and energy exemptions.

Robert M. Croft, Jr. (2006), an associate in Dinsmore's Louisville office, has been selected as a 2013 YMCA Adult Black Achiever. The Black Achiever program seeks to provide educational and career opportunities for youth, utilizing volunteers and role models, such as Mr. Croft.



Whitney Frazier Watt (2003) was recently appointed co-chair of the American Bar Association Women in Products Liability Subcommittee. Her term will last two years. Watt is a member of Stites & Harbison's Torts & Insurance and Business Litigation Service Groups, and practices in their Louisville office.

Cliff Ashburner (1998) has been appointed by Louisville Mayor Greg Fischer as chair of the Energy Team for Vision Louisville. Vision Louisville is described on the city's website as a "community process to guide the future look, feel and flow of Louisville in the next 25 years." Ashburner is a partner at Wyatt, Tarrant & Combs



Jeffrey D. Thompson (1985) has joined Hurley, Rogner, Miller, Cox, Waranch & Westcott, (HRMCW) as lead attorney and chair of the firm's civil litigation practice.

Billy J. Mabry (1984) has joined the Louisville firm of Middleton Reutlinger. Mr. Mabry concentrates in the health law field having more than twenty years of experience representing hospitals, physicians, home health agencies, nursing homes, provider sponsored organizations, teaching facilities, diagnostic centers, ambulatory centers and others.

Carole C. Schriefer (1984), an attorney with The Health Law Firm, delivered a seminar to Florida Hospital's family medicine residents and medical student, focusing on types of fraud and abuse in the health care industry.



David C. Trimble (1982) has been named a Member at Frost Brown Todd. He is in the insurance and tort defense practice group, and has represented insurance industry clients in coverage, regulatory, and bad faith/unfair claims practices matters throughout Kentucky and Tennessee.

James A. Dressman III (1977) is the new managing partner of DBL Law. Dressman has over 35 years of experience representing commercial banks and other businesses in complex financial transactions. He joined the firm in 1977 and is currently the head of the commercial law and banking practice group.



Mark Your Calendars!

The Third-Annual College of Law Golf Tournament is May 20, 2013
registration at www.lam.uky.edu/golftournament

Career Development Notes

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We look forward to hearing from you. Please contact the Career Development office at 859-257-8959 if you have questions or if we can be of assistance.