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**Professor Kathryn Moore  
Awarded Ashland-Spears  
Professorship**

Professor Kathryn Moore was selected this Fall as the new Ashland-Spears Distinguished Research Professor. Her five year term will begin July 1, 2013. This Professorship is the College's most distinguished, and is given to a current law professor who excels in research. The selection committee consisted of a Dean at the University (other than the Law School) nominated by the Provost, the Chief Justice of the Kentucky Supreme Court and the Chief Judge of the Eastern District Federal Court. Dean Brennen remarked that "Professor Moore is a very deserving recipient of this distinction."



**Associate Dean Drusilla  
Bakert to Retire in January**

The University of Kentucky College of Law announces the retirement of **Drusilla V. Bakert**, Associate Dean for Admissions, Scholarships and Student Affairs, effective January 17, 2013. Dean Bakert, a graduate of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and Harvard Law School, has been at UK Law since 1987, and has served as the head of the Admissions office since 1996. The students brought in by Dean Bakert have gone on to become the scholars and leaders, in the private and public sectors, who are so much a part of UK Law's exemplary reputation. She will be missed by faculty, students, staff and alumni alike. We wish Dean Bakert all the best in her retirement and thank her for her years of service to the College.

The College of Law has begun the national search process for a new head of Admissions and expects to have the position filled by the summer of 2013.

**Legal Clinic Provides  
Thanksgiving Dinner to  
Clients**

In November, the UK College of Law Legal Clinic hosted "Coin Wars 2012" to raise money for Thanksgiving dinners for Clinic clients. Each law school class competed by collecting money in a jar in the Student Bar Association office. The Clinic was able to purchase and deliver nine complete turkey dinners for their clients.

Talk to us!

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**Richard Ausness'** article, "The Supreme Court and the PPL Montana Case: Examining the Relationship Between Navigability and State Ownership of Submerged Lands," has recently been accepted for publication by the *Virginia Environmental Law Journal*. The article is scheduled to appear in the spring of 2013.

**Jennifer Bird-Pollan** presented "Nozick, Libertarianism, and the Estate Tax" at Harvard University in November, as part of its Tax Policy Colloquium.

**Joshua Douglas** presented on the history of the Electoral College to Kentucky's presidential electors on December 17 when they met and cast their votes in Frankfort. Last month, he was a panelist on Law and Democracy: A Symposium on the Law Governing Our Democratic Process at George Washington University, and on Negotiating the Extremes: Impossible Political Dialogues in the 21st Century, at the *Cardozo School of Law Journal of Conflict Resolution* Symposium. Professor Douglas also published a number of commentaries and op-eds on the 2012 presidential election. A full list of these can be found on our website.

**Kristin Hazelwood** wrote the Effective Legal Writing column for the November edition of the *Kentucky Bench & Bar*, "E-mails to Clients: Avoiding Missteps."

**Nicole Huberfeld** presented "Healthcare as a Vehicle for Constitutional Change," at the Loyola Chicago Constitutional Law Colloquium, and "Healthcare Reform Upheld: The Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act After the Supreme Court" at the Kentucky Defense Counsel Annual Meeting. Her article, "Heed Not the Umpire, Justice Ginsburg Called NFIB," is forthcoming in the January 2013 issue of the *University of Pennsylvania Journal of Constitutional Law, Heightened Scrutiny*.

## BLSA Collects Books for International Book Project

The UK Black Law Students Association (BLSA) collected books in November to donate to the International Book Project. BLSA collected 50 new and gently used children's books, which were shipped directly to Rwanda to help establish a library.

## Upcoming UK CLE EVENTS

MARCH 1, 2013

**Construction Law Conference**

University of Kentucky College of Law

APRIL 11 & 12, 2013

**14th Biennial Business Associations Law Institute**

Campbell House Crowne Plaza, Lexington, Kentucky

*More at [www.ukcle.com](http://www.ukcle.com)*

**Franklin Runge**, Faculty Services Librarian, has been appointed Interim Head of Admissions until a permanent replacement for retiring Associate Dean of Admissions Drusilla Bakert is found. Professor Runge has an extensive background in legal practice and professional librarianship. He graduated *magna cum laude* from Hiram College, and received his J.D. from Northeastern University in 2003. He has been at the College of Law since 2011. Professor Runge's skill and personality will be invaluable in attracting students and maintaining uninterrupted admissions operations during the search process.

**Richard Westin's** article, "A Comparative Study of Tax-Motivated Expatriation," will appear in the *Journal of International Taxation* in two installments.



## UK Law Students Assist with Election Monitoring

Six UK College of Law students joined Professor Joshua Douglas and Assistant Dean Danny Murphy to assist Kentucky Secretary of State Alison Lundergan Grimes and the Kentucky Board of Elections in running a smooth election. The students first observed the official Election Day Board of Elections meeting, during which the Board discussed and resolved issues that had arisen during the day. The students were then able to help out with other issues as they arose, including brief research projects and assisting local election officials. The Secretary of State invited students to stay at the Board of Elections through the early evening as the polls closed and counties began tallying the ballots.

## Call for Nominations

The UK College of Law Alumni Association is accepting nominations for the 2013 Hall of Fame, Distinguished Jurist, Professional Achievement, Community Service and Young Professional Awards. These awards are presented at the UK College of Law KBA Alumni Reception each June.

Please take a moment to nominate alumni you believe are worthy of each of the awards. The Law Alumni Association will accept applications through February 11.

Nomination forms, information about the requirements of each award, and past recipients can be found at [www.law.uky.edu](http://www.law.uky.edu).



# Alumni Notes

**John Ghaelian** (2012) placed his article, "Restoring the Vote: Former Felons, International Law, and the Eighth Amendment," in the *Hastings Constitutional Law Quarterly*.

**Derek Hall** (2012) has joined Frost Brown Todd's Lexington office in their bankruptcy and restructuring practice group.



**Brad L. Hart** (2012) has joined Bass, Berry & Sims as an associate in Corporate and Securities Practice, in the firm's Nashville office.

**Ellen C. Kuendig** (2005) has joined Frost Brown Todd's Lexington office as part of their Business Litigation practice. Her experience is in the areas of premises liability, products liability, coal-related disputes, insurance coverage, bad faith litigation, and other complex personal injury claims.

**Bryan H. Beauman** (1997) has returned to the firm of Sturgill, Turner, Barker & Moloney. Beauman will be a partner of the firm with a practice that will focus on constitutional law and civil rights, education law, employment law, insurance law and public entity defense. Beauman first joined Sturgill Turner following his graduation from the University of Kentucky College of Law. He has more than 15 years of litigation experience, having recently served as Senior Counsel for the Alliance Defending Freedom from 2010-12.



**Thomas E. Rutledge** (1990), a member of Stoll Keenon Ogden, presented the annual Gunderson Lecture on October 1, 2012 at The University of South Dakota School of Law. His presentation was titled "Transaction Cost Engineer as a Higher Calling: A 'Corporate' Attorney's Effort to Meld History and Law."

**R. Douglas Martin** (1989) has joined Sturgill, Turner, Barker & Moloney as a partner with a practice that will focus on real estate law, business law, governmental law and health care law.



**Robert D. Hudson** (1987), a member of Frost Brown Todd, has authored a book on business and economic development entitled *A Better Tomorrow: Fighting for Capitalism and Jobs in the Heartland*. The book, published by Saratoga Press, addresses the recession, recovery, and a business approach for our nation's economic future.

**Stephen Bright** (1975) gave the commencement address at Yale Law School in May. He is currently the Harvey Karp Visiting Lecturer in Law at the school. Video of his address can be found at [vimeo.com/42718465](http://vimeo.com/42718465). On November 15, Bright was honored for 30 outstanding years of service at the Southern Center for Human Rights' 16th annual Frederick Douglass Awards Dinner in Washington, D.C.

**Mark P. Bryant** (1973), President of the Bryant Law Center in Paducah, Ky., has been appointed by Governor Steve Beshear to the University of Kentucky Board of Trustees for a six year term ending June, 2018.



## Join us this spring for interviews at the UK College of Law!

The majority of spring interviews for 1Ls will take place on Saturday, February 2, and Saturday, February 9, 2013. If you would like to interview 2Ls and 3Ls, we can arrange this on one of the Saturdays or on a weekday. Weekday interviews begin on Tuesday, February 5, and continue throughout the spring semester.

You can reserve an interview date by contacting Joan Yocum at [jyocum@email.uky.edu](mailto:jyocum@email.uky.edu) or (859) 257-8959 or by sending Joan a completed Career Services Request Form which is available on our website.

If you cannot visit campus and would like to receive resumes of interested students, we would be happy to arrange this for you.

We look forward to hearing from you. Please call us if you have any questions or if we can be of service.

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*Happy Holidays from the entire Career Development Office  
-Susan, Amy and Joan*