



The Dean's Weekly Newsletter

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Hartzog Speaks at Brazilian Global Data Privacy Dialogue Conference

Professor Woodrow Hartzog '02 participated in the "Global Data Privacy Dialogue" event in Brasilia, Brazil on October 6 - 7. The event was hosted by the Centre for Information Policy Leadership (CIPL) and the Instituto Brasiliense de Direito Publico (IDP). Hartzog participated in three different panels, speaking on topics like privacy and the modern data landscape, recent developments in U.S. data protection law, and the FTC as data protection authority.

Cumberland to Host Ala. Supreme Court and Court of Criminal Appeals

The Appellate Courts of Alabama, the Birmingham Bar Foundation and Samford University's Cumberland School of Law invite guests to observe the Alabama Supreme Court and Alabama Court of Criminal Appeals in a unique day of oral appellate arguments. The event is open to the public and free of charge.

Wednesday, November 4
9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
Samford University
Leslie S. Wright Fine Arts Center



The Alabama Supreme Court (top) and the Alabama Court of Criminal Appeals (bottom) will have oral appellate arguments on campus in November.

Get Connected to Cumberland School of Law for all the latest updates.

The official Facebook page is "Cumberland School of Law" and the official Twitter account is "CumberlandLaw"



Law School Announcements

Spring 2016 Registration Begins Next Week

Spring 2016 Registration begins next week. Registration will open at 8:30 a.m. on Tues., October 27 and will close on Fri. October 30 at 4:30 p.m. in the office of law student records.

Spring schedules and grids can be found [online](#) and hard copies may be picked up in the office of law student records (room 106). Registration forms and supplemental course descriptions will be available beginning the first day of registration.

Fall Mediation Winners Announced

Please join the Trial Advocacy Board in congratulating the winners of the Fall Mediation Competition!

Winners: Shadi Jaraysi & Rebecca Guidry

Finalists: Emily Copeland & Lynn Pulido

Competitors participated in three rounds of negotiations as judges served the role of impartial mediators. Participants negotiated settlement agreements for their clients while strategically using

their mediators to communicate effectively and resolve the disputes. These cases ranged in practice areas from employment law to sports law to intellectual property law. Demonstrating the strengths and flexibility of the mediation process, these winners effectively advocated for their clients to create mutually beneficial outcomes for all parties.

Thank you to all participants in this competition. We are always blown away by the level of talent from our peers and are very encouraged by your enthusiasm and interest in alternative dispute resolution.

Samford's Events

- [Samford University's Public Events](#)
- [Sporting Events](#)
- [Performing Arts Calendar](#)

Click on event titles for more information!

Birmingham Bar Association Scholarships

The Memorial Scholarship Committee of the Birmingham Bar Association meets each year to determine the recipients of scholarships in the amount of \$2,500.00 each. Second or third year law students from either Cumberland School of Law, The University of Alabama School of Law, Birmingham School of Law, or Miles Law School are eligible to apply.

Two scholarships are awarded annually by the Scholarship Committee. The scholarships are based upon several factors, including financial need. Applications will be accepted beginning August 1, and the deadline to submit is **Fri., October 30**. Awards will be made directly to the recipients' law schools for the Spring 2016 semester.



[Download a Scholarship application form](#) for the Spring 2016 semester to apply.

For an up-to-date look at the Law School's Events, visit the [Online Calendar](#).

This Week's Events

Career Development Events

How to Ace the Legal Interview

WHO: Panel from American Bar Association, Section of Litigation Law School Initiative

WHEN: Thur., October 22 at noon

WHERE: Carroll Moot Courtroom

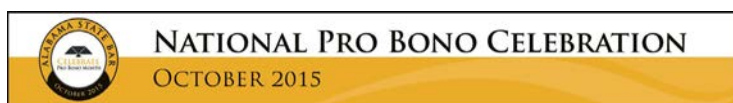
RSVP by Wed., October 21 at noon.

This program is a **MUST ATTEND** for everyone. Whether you will be participating in on-campus interviews or not, the secrets to excelling in a legal interview are the same and at some point you will be interviewing! This event is **REQUIRED** for students who receive the Cumberland Public Interest Fellowship.

Questions, contact [Mrs. Nicole Otero](#) or visit the Office of Career Development.

State Bar of Georgia Representative to Visit

Come join the Georgia Student Bar in welcoming the State Bar of Georgia to Cumberland on **Thurs. October 22 at 11 a.m. in room 115**. Everyone is invited. A representative from the bar will provide some very helpful information about bar membership, the Ga. bar exam, subjects covered on the Ga. bar, Ga. bar and exam application deadlines, suggested classes to take at Cumberland and much more. There will be an opportunity for a Q&A and food will be provided. **RSVP** by Oct. 20. Contact [Shadi Jaraysi](#) for more information.



PARTICIPATION OPPORTUNITIES

Thursday, October 22, 2015

Free Senior Wills Clinic

Location: Oxmoor Community Center—1992 Weno-nah Oxmoor Rd, Birmingham, AL 35211

Volunteer Contact:

Cassandra Adams or Charmayne Fillmore –
(205) 726-4342 or ccmc@samford.edu

**VOLUNTEERS
NEEDED!!**

3L Graduation Announcements

This Week! • Bulldog Blastoff! – If you are a December graduate, you should have received information from Samford regarding a commencement fair to be held **Wed., October 21, from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.** in the lobby of the Pete Hanna Center. **ALL** December graduates need to attend. This year, for the first time, the university is issuing graduation regalia at the commencement fair. May graduates will participate in a similar commencement fair to be held in the spring.

- Composite Photographs – Fraternal Composite will be in the Friendship Room of the Law Library, 9 a.m.- noon and 2:00 –4:00 p.m., on October 27-28 to photograph all graduating 3Ls for inclusion in a large composite photograph to be displayed at the law school. Appointments may be scheduled in the Student Services Office. Important notes: Professional dress (waist up) is required. Photographs from our internal facebook may not be used.

- Diploma Form – Students should complete the Graduation Diploma Form at <https://cumberland.samford.edu/form/graduation-candidate-diploma-form> to let us know how you wish to have your name listed on your diploma and the address to which you wish to have your diploma mailed.

- December Commencement – Everyone is welcome to attend December commencement exercises to be held on Sat., December 12 at 10:00 a.m. in the Pete Hanna Center on the Samford campus. The university does not limit the number of guests each student may invite, so feel free to come out and celebrate with your classmates who plan to walk in the fall commencement.

We will send additional information throughout the year. Be sure to mark your calendar for important dates and let [Mrs. Nelson](#) know if you have questions.



This Week's Events

Birmingham Bar Foundation Invites Students to Events

Students are invited to attend “Being Your Own Best Advocate: How to Get from Law Student to Lawyer.” A distinguished panel including large firm partners, a public defender, an in-house counsel, and a Circuit Court Judge shares tips and insight on successful transitioning from law school to the practice of law on **Thurs., October 22, from 4-5:30 p.m.** at the Bar Center. Law Student members who attend the program will get free admission to the Seventh Annual Bocce Ball Tournament and Chili Cook-off. **RSVP** to save your seat.

The Seventh Annual Bocce Ball Tournament will be held on **Thur., October 22**. The Birmingham Bar Foundation would love to have Cumberland students join us for this outstanding networking event. The Foundation is offering a law student discount rate of \$15. There will be great food, lots of fun and, again, great networking opportunities with Birmingham law firms (big and small). Tickets may be purchased at birminghambar.org or at bbfound.org or at the door.

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THE MICHAEL D. FREEMAN CHAMPIONSHIP CUP
7TH ANNUAL
BOCCE BALL TOURNAMENT
HRESS BUILDING ROOFTOP

Proceeds raised will benefit the Legal Aid Society of Birmingham and the Birmingham Volunteer Lawyers Program.

Contact the Birmingham Bar Foundation at 251-2231 or bbfound@bellsouth.net for more information

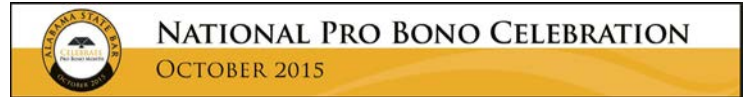
WIGGINS CHILDS PANTAZIS FISHER & GOLDFARB
301 19TH STREET NORTH
BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA 35203

FEATURING OUR 2ND ANNUAL CHILI COOK-OFF

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2015
START TIME: 3:30 PM

TICKETS \$25 LAW STUDENTS TICKETS \$15

Plan Ahead



PARTICIPATION OPPORTUNITIES

Monday & Tuesday, October 26-27, 2015 – 9:00am - 5:00pm

Free Wills for Heroes Clinic

Location: New Vestavia Hills Municipal Center – 1032 Montgomery Hwy, Vestavia Hills, AL 35216

Volunteer Contact: Cassandra Adams or Charmayne Fillmore – (205) 726-4342 or ccmc@samford.edu

Monday, November 2, 2015—9:00am—3:00pm

Free Wills for Heroes & Seniors Clinic

Location: Bessemer Municipal Center—1851 2nd Avenue, Bessemer, AL 35020

Volunteer Contact: Cassandra Adams or Charmayne Fillmore – (205) 726-4342 or ccmc@samford.edu

Clinics are sponsored by the Cumberland Community Mediation Center & Public Interest Program, Alabama State Bar, Birmingham Bar Association and Bessemer Bar Association



Women in Law Hosts Bake Sale

Women in Law will be hosting a Bake Sale in the breezeway on **Tues., October 27** from 8:15 a.m. - 2:45 p.m.

IP Society Calls for Members, Officers

Membership in the Intellectual Property Society is open to all law students and dues are not required. If you would like to become a member of the IP Society, send **Emily Zupanick** an email, and she will add you to the list. Last year's members are already on the list.

Students interested in serving as the president, vice president, secretary or treasurer for the 2015-2016 term should email Zupanick and include what office you are running for and your year. Please respond no later than **Mon. October 26**. In order to allow the newly elected officers to run the first meeting this semester, elections will be conducted via survey monkey next week. If you have any questions or would like to know more, please contact Zupanick.

Fall Competitions at Cumberland

- Cumberland will be hosting the **ABA Regional Negotiation Competition** Sat. November 14 - Sun. November 15.

Faculty Notes



Professor Woodrow Hartzog

'02 was quoted in a [Weld story](#) about the trademark "It's Nice to Have You in Birmingham."

Professor Bob Greene

was formally inducted into the American College of Environmental Lawyers at its annual meeting October 16 in New York City. The College is a professional association of distinguished lawyers who practice in the field of environmental law. Membership is by invitation and members are recognized by their peers as preeminent in their field.



Alumni News

Students May Attend Office of Alumni Relations Events

Students and faculty are invited to attend alumni receptions and luncheons. For students, these are good networking events for those with aspirations to work in a specific location. To confirm your attendance and for full details, please contact [Anne Marovich](#), director of alumni relations.

• **Thur., November 12**

Augusta, Ga Alumni Luncheon Hosted by Sam Nicholson '78 and Judge James G. Blanchard Jr. '68, Augusta Country Club.

If you would like to meet a potential professional mentor, please submit an information (mentee) sheet for our [Student Success Mentoring Program](#). The SSMP program pairs our students with outstanding alumni who will give them a real-world insight into the practice of law. Questions? Ask [Anne Marovich](#).

Photo of the Week



Cumberland students, family members and staff participated in Birmingham's Susan G. Komen Race for the Cure event on October 17. Pictured (from left to right), Mary Burnett and BrieAnna Burnett (sister and mother of Victoria Burnett), law students Victoria Burnett, Carmen Weite, Megan Seaton, director of alumni relations Anne Marovich, law students Haley Jones, Gina Marie Ramsey, and Katie Hilyer with her running partner

Shiloh. Other Cumberland students that ran but are not pictured are: Sara Leopold, Kaylie Eichholt, Emma Sloan, and Ben Keen.