

# The Dean's Weekly Newsletter

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### **Students Impress Guests, Judges** at Moot Court Competition

s a showcase of the Cumberland Moot Court program, the final round of the Janie L. Shores Moot Court Competition was held during Admitted Students and Alumni Weekend on April 9.

The judges selected the following winners: Andrew Clay - Winner Adam Hoekenschneider - Runner-up

The judges bench included: Chief Justice Karen Bowdre, U.S. Northern District of Alabama, Class of 1981 Charlie Shah, Moot Court National Team Coach, Class of 1996 Marion Walker, Fisher & Phillips LLP, Class of 1976 Mike Gregory, Dodson Gregory, Class of 1998



Adam Hoekenschneider (left center, runner-up) and Andrew Clay (right center, winner) were selected by Judges Mike Gregory, Charlie Shah, Judge Bowdre, and Marion Walker (from left to right) at the Janie L. Shores Moot Court competition.

## **Congratulations to** '16-17 Election Winners

**SBA President:** 

Trey Perdue

**Representatives:** 

2L Class

**SBA Vice-President:** 

(1) Jamal Aquil (2) Lawler Dudley

Steven Bode

(3) Sherles Durham

(4) Keith Stephens

**SBA Treasurer:** 

David Wisdom

**3L Honor Court Justices:** 

**SBA Secretary:** 

Thomas Bailey

(1) BriAnn Joyner (2) Adam Buddenbohn

(3) Miranda Coley

**Senior Class** 

**President**: Zach Mardis

(4) Spencer Wilson

(5) Chip Slawson

(6) Lee McLean

Senior Class Vice-

**President:** 

Scotch Ritchey

**2L Honor Court Justices:** 

**Senior Class** 

**Treasurer:** 

Mary Katherine Flynn

(1) Lindsey Catlett (2) Constantin Post

(3) Michael Milton II

(4) Sarah Emerson

(5) Kingsley Okpara

(6) Carmen Weite

**ABA Chair:** Will Pylant

**Senior Class** 

**Secretary:** John Wilson

ABA Vice-Chair: Jackson Young

Congratulations to all of the candidates for running clean and positive campaigns.



### This Week's Events

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

### **Trial Journal, Law Review Host Lunch for 1Ls**

A ll first-year Cumberland students are invited to an informational lunch on Thur., April 14 at 11 a.m. in the Great Room. BBQ from Johnny Ray's will be served!

Students in the top 15% of the firstyear class after this year will be eligible to write for Law Review membership this summer. And 1Ls in the top one-third of the class will be invited to write for Trial Journal membership. No matter where you are in the class right now, a superior performance this semester can move you up farther than at any other time in law school!

If you cannot attend the lunch, send your summer contact information using this online form (you'll have a login to Cumberland's intranet site) as soon as possible. And feel free to email the Trial Journal or the Law Review with any questions.

## Samford's Events

- Samford University's Public Events
- Sporting Events
- Performing Arts Calendar

Click on event titles for more information!

## Second Annual Cumberland Charity Crawfish Boil Saturday

The second annual Cumberland Crawfish boil will take place Sat., April 16 and will start at 2 p.m. For those of you worried about missing your team's A-day game, there will be multiple TVs with the games running all afternoon. The event will be held at 745 Euclid Circle, Mtn. Brook, AL 35213.

Please sign up on the form for an accurate count of the number of people that are attending. The cost is \$5 per person in advance. Payments will be accepted over Venmo. Please direct all payments to @Steven-Bode and in the description put "2016 Cumberland Crawfish Boil." Additionally, tickets will be sold at the door for \$10 per ticket. Last year over \$300 was donated to a Meals on Wheels organization in Birmingham.

### **Law School Announcements**

### **ABA Offers Free Student Membership**

The American Bar Association offers FREE membership to all law students. They provide valuable services, including the following benefits:

- The opportunity to build your resumes by participating in legal skills contests and applying for fellowships;
- The exploration of practice areas when you join up to five legal specialty groups, such as the Section of Legal Education and Admissions to the Bar, for FREE; and
- Finding your first job by searching the ABA job board and gaining advice from experts at the career center.

You may contact lawschoolinfo@americanbar.org for more information.

# **Cumberland T-Shirts Have Arrived, Available for Purchase**

The long sleeve Class T-shirts have arrived, and we be available in the SBA Office Tues., April 12 starting at 3 pm.

Additionally, a LIMITED AMOUNT of a generic long sleeve Cumberland shirts are available for purchase this week. They are \$20 each. Payment is accepted via cash, card, check [made out to "Cumberland 3L Class"] or venmo [@Cumberland3LClass].

If you would like to purchase one of those shirts, you may come by the SBA office tomorrow afternoon to pay for and pick up your shirt.



#### Plan Ahead ....



Please join Samford University's
Cumberland School of Law
faculty & staff, graduates, families & friends
for a reception honoring the

## CUMBERLAND SCHOOL OF LAW May 2016 Graduates

Friday, May 13, 4:30—5:45 p.m.

Cumberland School of Law Brewer Plaza

> (in front of the law school) 800 Lakeshore Drive Birmingham, AL 35229

## **Rising 3Ls Invited to Apply for Inn**

Rising third-year students have the unique opportunity to become a part of an American Inn of Court, an organization which is dedicated to promoting the highest levels of professionalism. Cumberland is fortunate to be one of the few Inns in the country directly connected with a law school. Our Inn is the Judge James Edwin Horton Inn of Court named after a famous and courageous judge who graduated from Cumberland in 1899.

In this collegial environment, outside the courtroom and pressure of daily practice and study, members discuss legal practice, principles, and methods. Academicians, specialized practitioners, and complementing generalists provide a mix of skill, theory, experience, and passion. This fluid, side-by-side approach allows seasoned judges and attorneys to help shape students and newer lawyers with practical guidance in serving the law and seeking justice.

As a third-year student, you would be required to attend six Inn meetings throughout the course of the academic year. Membership provides a great opportunity to meet distinguished lawyers and judges and to be trained by them. There will also be significant mentoring opportunities and you will make invaluable contacts.

If you are interested in joining the Inn, send Judge Carroll an email with your resume and a short statement about why you would like to join by April 22.

### Faculty Notes



On Tues. March 15, **Cassandra Adams** participated in a joint program with the Alabama Cooperative Extension program Estate Planning Basics in Moody, AL. She spoke to a group of St. Clair County residents about the importance of end of life planning.

On Sat., March 19, Adams served as guest moderator for the Aging in Alabama Symposium, hosted by Alabama A&M University in Huntsville.

On Mon., March 21, Adams was a conference panelist at the American Society on Aging National Conference in Washington, DC. The panel discussion was about community collaborations and highlighted the joint project between Alabama Cooperative Extensions and the Cumberland Community Mediation Center.



On Fri., April 8, **Professor Woodrow Hartzog's** '02 workshopped draft chapters from his forthcoming book "Privacy's Blueprint: The Battle to Control the Design of New Technologies" at the University of California Berkeley Law School and also held a public talk on privacy and design at the school as well.

Hartzog moderated a panel on the rules of the Trans Pacific Partnership for the digital economy as part of the Association for Pacific Rim Universities Digital Economy Business Office meeting hosted

by Keio University in Tokyo, Japan. More information about can be found online.

### Alumni News

## CUMBERLAND SCHOOL OF LAW ALUMNI ACROSS THE NATION

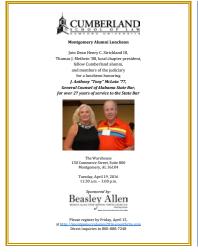
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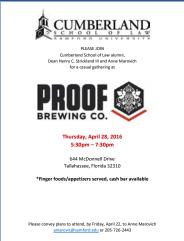
# **Students May Attend Office** of Alumni Relations Events

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.

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.

#### **Upcoming Alumni Events:**





## Samford Sponsors Chick-fil-A Networking Breakfast

Join the Samford Network for a breakfast on Thur. April 14 at 7 a.m. featuring Chick-fil-A Vice President and Corporate Talent, Dee Ann Turner as she discusses her new book "It's My Pleasure: The Impact of Extraordinary Talent and A Compelling Culture," which shares how Chick-fil-A has built a devoted talent and fan base that spans generations. Register online. The event is free to attend, and is open to the public. For questions or more information, please contact Samford's Office of Alumni Programs and Annual Giving.

# **Photos of the Week**



Admitted Students and Alumni Weekend 2016

Want to see your photos featured?
Send them to Laura Taylor for inclusion in upcoming editions of the Dean's Newsletter