



**Samford University**  
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# The Dean's Weekly Newsletter

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## This Week's Events

During January, students who plan to sit for the Alabama State Bar must complete bar applications. In order to help with this, Justin Aday will be on campus to speak with students on **Wednesday, January 18th**, at **noon** in **Room 121**. Please make plans to attend.

### Reminder from Phi Alpha Delta:

Be on the lookout for your LexisNexis reps every Monday for your weekly "table tip!"

## Plan Ahead



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**KEEP  
CALM  
and  
STUDY  
ABROAD**

## Interested in learning more about Cumberland's Study-Abroad Programs?

Join Professor Floyd, Director of International Studies, for a general information meeting.

**Thursday, February 2**  
**11 a.m.**  
**room 114**

*Food and drinks will be served.*



## Plan Ahead

### The law school has made arrangements with BarBri, Kaplan and Themis in order to help students pay for bar review courses.

This year's 2017 graduates may take review courses with one of these three vendors for a total cost of \$650 plus applicable book deposits, taxes and shipping. Books, taxes and shipping fees are NOT part of the tuition charges.

To assist students in making a bar review vendor decision, Cumberland has planned informational meetings to allow bar review vendors to describe their courses and services at the following times:

- **BarBri: Tuesday, January 24 at noon in Room 120**
- **Themis: Tuesday, January 31, noon in Room 120**

After the meetings have been held, students will receive a survey to make bar review vendor choices. Students are strongly encouraged but not obligated to choose a vendor; however, please note that students who elect to take advantage of these arrangements with Kaplan, BarBri or Themis by selecting one of these courses, will be obligated to pay the university their share of the cost (\$650).



THE AMERICAN JOURNAL OF TRIAL ADVOCACY PRESENTS

# Technological Tools for an Efficient Esquire



**Keynote Speaker:**  
Andrew Arruda, CEO of  
ROSS Intelligence

**January 27, 2017**  
8:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.\*

**SPEAKERS INCLUDE:**

**Alma Asay:** Founder & CEO, Allegory Law, Inc.

**Clare Foley:** Vice President Litigation Solutions, Opus 2 International

**Mary Juetten:** Founder & CEO Traklight

**Roe Frazer:** Founder Cicayda; Frazer Law

**\*Legal technology vendor fair taking place throughout the morning**

**FREE** event offering 3 hours of CLE credit, including 1 hour of ethics credit

John L. Carroll Moot Courtroom, Samford University's Cumberland School of Law

Please RSVP to [jtrialad@samford.edu](mailto:jtrialad@samford.edu)



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## Plan Ahead



### 2016/17 HUNGRY HEARTS TOUR



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*Wallace, Jordan, Ratliff & Brandt, LLC is delighted to present these remarkable productions:*

**Friday, February 17**  
**ROMEO AND JULIET**  
7:00 p.m. • Great Room  
*(live musical prelude at 6:30 p.m.)*



**Saturday, February 18**  
**TWO GENTLEMEN OF VERONA**  
7:00 p.m. • Great Room  
*(live musical prelude at 6:30 p.m.)*

**Free Admission.**  
**Space is limited.**  
**R.S.V.P. by February 10**  
to Caroline Young  
charbin@samford.edu  
(205) 726-2797

(Photos from top to bottom) Josh Clark as Romeo and Zoe Spens as Juliet in *Romeo and Juliet*; Harper as Crab (adopted in 2011 from Mercy Rescue and Adoption, North Vernon, IN) and Andrew Goldwasser as Launce in *The Two Gentlemen of Verona*. Photos by Michael Bailey.

PHI ALPHA DELTA PRESENTS

## “Dress to Impress”

A panel of hiring attorneys will speak about interview techniques and dress code.

**Thursday, January 26**  
**11:00 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.**  
**in the great room**

## Law School Announcements



# LOVE CUMBERLAND?

## Apply to be an Admission Ambassador

Now accepting applications for  
the 2017-2018 school year

(Current 1L and 2L students may apply)

Check your email for the online application  
or visit the admission office.



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On January 18th, Samford University is holding their 2016 Annual Service Award Luncheon at The Club. Several Cumberland faculty and staff members will be honored for their years of service:

**Woodrow Hartzog**  
(5 years)

**John Carroll**  
(15 years)

**Laura Patterson**  
(5 years)

**Michael Floyd**  
(25 years)

**Bob Greene**  
(10 years)

**Pattie Harris**  
(25 years)



## Law School Announcements

### Law School Welcomes New Staff Members

**Ashaunte Gaillard** is serving as program assistant for the Public Interest Program and the Community Mediation Center. She is from Mobile, AL and graduated from the University of South Alabama with a Bachelor of Science in English and secondary education. She is currently pursuing a master's degree in communication management at UAB. She enjoys reading, running, and exploring new crockpot recipes!

**Deborah Burch** is serving as our newest administrative assistant. She comes to us from the University of Connecticut School of Medicine, where she served as Executive Assistant to the Director of the University Center for Excellence in Developmental Disabilities/Dean of the Department of Child and Family Studies. Prior to that she served as Secretary to the Treasurer/CFO at Marywood University in Pennsylvania. She brings with her a great wealth of experience and a passion for higher education.

## Alumni News



**MARK  
YOUR  
CALENDAR**

THE BIRMINGHAM BAR FOUNDATION  
*presents*  
**A Conversation with**

**DEAN A. STRANG**  
Noted Criminal Defense Attorney  
*featured in*  
**MAKING  
A  
MURDERER**

**MARCH 16, 2017 - 7 P.M.**  
Lyric Theatre | Birmingham, Alabama  
Tickets: \$30 | Students Tickets: \$20

**TICKETS AVAILABLE ON TICKETMASTER.**  
For more information, visit [www.bbfound.org](http://www.bbfound.org) or call (205) 251-2231.

## Alumni News

### The Office of Alumni Relations is seeking nominations for the following awards:

➤ **The Distinguished Alumnus Award** is given to a Cumberland graduate who has distinguished herself/himself in the practice of law, service to the community, and leadership in the profession.

➤ **The Young Alumnus of the Year Award** is given to a graduate who graduated within the last 15 years, and to someone who has distinguished herself/himself in the practice of law, service to the community, and leadership in the profession.

➤ **The Volunteer of the Year Award** is given to a graduate who has provided exceptional volunteer service to the law school and its constituents. The recipient has distinguished himself/herself by assisting in multiple facets of the law school program.

➤ **The Friend of the Law School Award** is given to a person who is not a graduate of Cumberland, but who has, through financial and other means of support, made a significant investment in Cumberland and its future.

Please send your nomination to Anne Marovich at [amarovic@samford.edu](mailto:amarovic@samford.edu).

Any information you can provide about the nominee is appreciated. Awards will be announced April 1, 2017.

### Samford Black Alumni Association 2017 Kick-Off Reception

- **Tuesday, January 24** from 5:00 – 7:00 p.m. at Samford University's Cooney Hall (Brock School of Business), Regions Community Resource Room (4th Floor).
- This event will promote opportunities to partner with the Samford Black Alumni Association and Samford University in the Birmingham area, highlight upcoming SBAA events, and network with guests in attendance. The event is FREE and open to faculty/staff/students, and light hors d'oeuvres will be served.
- **REGISTER HERE:** [http://alumni.samford.edu/s/1575/gid2\\_alumni/16/interior.aspx?sid=1575&pgid=1720&gid=2&cid=3712&ecid=3712&post\\_id=0](http://alumni.samford.edu/s/1575/gid2_alumni/16/interior.aspx?sid=1575&pgid=1720&gid=2&cid=3712&ecid=3712&post_id=0)

### Nashville Alumni Reception

- **Thursday, January 26** from 5:30 – 7:30 p.m. at Nelson Mullins in Nashville, TN. All students invited to attend free of charge. Please contact Anne Marovich at [amarovic@samford.edu](mailto:amarovic@samford.edu) or 205-726-2443 for more details.





## Alumni News

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### 2017 Birmingham Alumni Luncheon

• **FRIDAY, JANUARY 20, 2017** •

Samford University, 4th floor, Regions Room, Cooney Hall (*Brock School of Business*)



**11:30 a.m.** DOORS OPEN

**12 p.m.** LUNCH BUFFET

**Special Guest**, Mr. Brian Hilson, *President and CEO, Birmingham Business Alliance*

**1 p.m.** ADJOURN

**Register by January 13:**

<http://2017cumberlandbhamlunch.eventbrite.com>

**\$15/PERSON**

3L students invited to attend free of charge.

Please contact  
Anne Marovich at  
[amarovic@samford.edu](mailto:amarovic@samford.edu)  
or 205-726-2443  
if you plan to attend.

## Faculty Notes



**Tracey Roberts** and her colleague, Roberta Mann (Oregon) have had their book proposal, *Tax and the Environment*, accepted for publication by Lexington Books, an Imprint of Rowman & Littlefield. The edited volume will provide a comparative and international focus on environmental taxation.

## Photo of the Week



Caption: On January 12, the Cumberland Society of the Arts hosted Laura Lundy Wheale, a Cumberland alumna and actress, most recently featured in the newly-released movies *Sully* and Billy Lynn's *Long Halftime Walk*. Wheale spoke on how to balance life as a lawyer while continuing to follow your dreams.

**Laura Lundy Wheale is pictured (from L to R) between CSOA officers Leah Johnson and Kayley Argo.**

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