



Samford University
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The Dean's Weekly Newsletter

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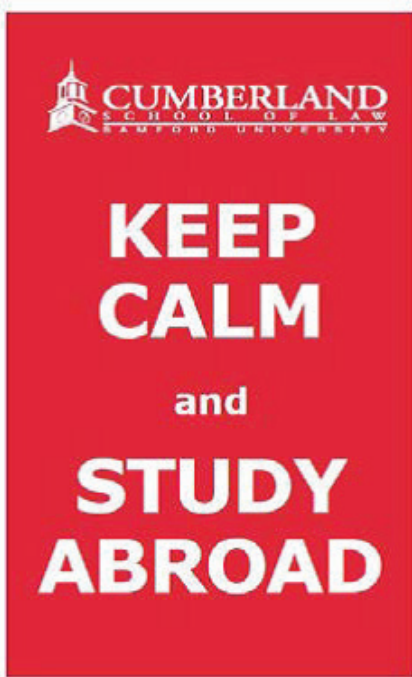
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This Week's Events




We are having an Informational Meeting about Cumberland's International Programs on **Thursday, October 12th, 11:30 am to 12:30 pm** in the **Bishop Conference Room, 226.**

Lunch will be provided.

Cumberland Law Review & The American Journal of Trial Advocacy • PRESENT •

A BALLPARK OVERVIEW: THE FIELD OF SPORTS LAW



**Friday
OCTOBER
13TH**
8:30 TO 11:45 AM

3 FREE CLE CREDITS
Register by Emailing JTrialAd@samford.edu

SCHAEFFER EYE LOUNGE • REGIONS FIELD
• BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA •
REGISTRATION BEGINS AT 7:45AM

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"



Plan Ahead

Alabama Lawyers Assistance Program

Robert Thornhill, Director of the Alabama Lawyers Assistance Program, will be on campus **Thursday, October 26th** to meet with students who have questions regarding character and fitness for the Bar. Please stop by Student Services between **9 am and 11 am** if you would like to speak with him about any concerns or if you just want to know a friendly face from the Alabama State Bar!

Students are invited to attend the 5th Annual Veterans Disability Symposium on Friday, November 3, 2017 in Birmingham, Alabama.

This year's theme is "The Invisible Wounds of War: The Unseen Moral, Mental, and Physical Injuries Challenging Today's Veteran." The Symposium will be held at the Lakeshore Foundation Conference Center, and is co-sponsored by The Deep South Center for Occupational Health & Safety at the University of Alabama at Birmingham, The University of Alabama — School of Social Work, and Friedman Law Firm, P.C.

The Symposium will be kicked off by Dr. Stuart Hoffman, Scientific Program Manager, VA/ORD Rehabilitation Research and Development Service.

A distinguished faculty, many of whom are Veterans themselves, will participate in panel discussions on Traumatic Brain Injury, Moral Injury, and Veterans Reintegration.

Please click on this link to see details on all the speakers and to register your attendance: http://www.soph.uab.edu/dsc/disability-veterans-symposium_2017

The Symposium will include a continental breakfast and lunch at the venue.



Law School Announcements

20 students competed in last week's Mediation Competition.

Congratulations to the following:

Winner: Ranse Hare • **Runner Up:** Ryan Hawks • **Finalists:** Branden Moore, Ashtyne Cole

2017-2018 MEMBERS:

Branden Moore
Ryan Hawks

Paige Caraway
Ranse Hare

Ian Bengé
Abby Davis

Nelson Johnson
Ty Smith

Forrest Fleming
Ashtyne Cole

Law School Announcements

SUPPLY DRIVE FOR ANIMAL VICTIMS OF HURRICANE HARVEY



GREATER BIRMINGHAM
HUMANE SOCIETY

Large metal food bowls
Medium and large collars
Leashes
Dog food
Toys
Fleece blankets
Large dog crates
Jumbo and gallon-sized Ziplock bags
Rolled newspapers
Cleaning Supplies
Office supplies



GBHS has an Amazon Wishlist! If you go through Amazon Smile a portion of the sales tax will be donated to the shelter.

COLLECTION BIN IS IN THE BREEZEWAY NOW THROUGH OCTOBER 20TH

Law School Announcements



Thank you to all who participated in this year's National Arbitration Team tryouts! We selected eight talented advocates from the competition to join Cumberland's National Arbitration Team for the 2017-2018 season. Special thanks to all who helped make this year's competition possible, especially the judges. This year, we are also pleased to introduce two new coaches for Cumberland's National Arbitration Team, **Cameron McEwen** (Class of 2007) and **Anthony Bowling** (Class of 2017). Both coaches spent their time at Cumberland competing in arbitration competitions and bring years of combined experience to this excellent group.

Allyson Swecker, Andrew Banks, Ben Keen, and Constantin Post will represent Cumberland at the Arbitration Regional Competition in November.

(photo above) Left to right:

Anthony Bowling, Andrew Banks, Constantin Post, Allyson Swecker, Olivia Johnson, Anna Saunders, Houston Harrison, Forrest Fleming, Ben Keen, and Cameron McEwen



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

CUMBERLAND SCHOOL OF LAW
December 2017 Graduates

Saturday, December 16
8:00 a.m.—9:00 a.m.

Cumberland School of Law

Robinson Hall
South Lobby

800 Lakeshore Drive
Birmingham, AL 35229

Cumberland Community Mediation Center & Public Interest Programs News

Happy Celebrate Pro Bono Month, 2017!

It's time to sign the Law Student Pro Bono Pledge. This competition, sponsored by the Alabama State Bar Pro Bono Task Force, is between the five law schools in Alabama. The Alabama State Bar Association will award "bragging rights" to the Alabama law school that has the highest percentage of their 1L class to sign the pledge.

Follow this link to sign the pledge: <https://www.alabar.org/for-the-public/pro-bono-month/pro-bono-pledge/>

Cumberland Law Students: You are invited to participate in the Poverty Simulation Seminar sponsored by the Alabama State Bar Pro Bono Task Force. It's a great opportunity to learn about the struggles individuals face that are living at or below the poverty level. It is an eye-opening experience. I hope you can/will participate.

The Poverty Simulation Seminar is designed to showcase the challenges facing those living at or below the poverty level. Seminar participants will deal with maintaining employment, caring for children or elderly family members, seeking public assistance, dealing with transportation issues and other challenges faced by low-income citizens who live in urban areas. The simulation will provide a worldview changing experience and show participants the emotional toll and frustration faced by people living in poverty. The simulation is designed to help lawyers understand the realities of poverty. Participants

will roleplay the lives of people living in poverty. Participants will have the task of providing for basic necessities and shelter on a limited budget during four 15-minute "weeks."

The ASB Pro Bono Celebration Task Force is proud to offer The Poverty Simulation Seminar – Two hours of FREE MCLE

**WHEN: Thursday, October 12th
8:30 – 11 am**

**WHERE: Alabama Fire College
2501 Phoenix Drive, Tuscaloosa, AL 35405**

**REGISTRATION: No fees required,
but space is limited**

**ADVANCE REGISTRATION:
<https://eventbrite.com/e/povertysimulation-seminar-tickets-37389718655>**

Faculty Notes



Tracey Roberts delivered her paper, *Choice of Instruments, Efficiency and the WTO*, at the 18th Global Conference on Environmental Taxation and the University of Arizona in Tucson, Arizona on September 27, 2017.