

Called to the Bar Program

On September 8, 2010 at noon in the Moot Court Room, **Doug Jones '79** will be the first of the *Called to the Bar* speakers for the 2010-11 academic year. He is a former United States Attorney for the Northern District of Alabama and is currently with the Haskell Slaughter Young & Rediker, LLC firm in Birmingham where he represents individual, institutional and corporate clients in complex civil and criminal litigation.

Mr. Jones, along with **Professor Don Cochran** of our faculty, prosecuted the persons accused of the Sixteenth Street Baptist Church bombing on September 15, 1963 some 40 years after the bombing occurred. The bombing resulted in the deaths of four young girls. The prosecution of those bombers will be the subject of Mr. Jones' talk.

Fall International Experience Meeting

If you're interested in international study OR if you spent time abroad in the past 12 months (or both), please join us for a discussion of Cumberland's International offerings and opportunities. We will convene at 12:15 PM on **Thursday, September 9** in the **Dean's Conference Room (ROBH 226)**. Students will share their past experiences, and we'll outline the programs for the coming year.

If you'd like a sneak preview of some of the attractions, take a look [HERE](#). The brochures there (click on the blue links) are for the past summer. The 2011 programs will be similar; we're working on updated brochures and some program enhancements for 2011. **Professor Floyd, Dean Lewis, Ms. Nelson, and Ms. Carroll** are also always happy to answer any questions you might have about these opportunities.



Sidney Sussex College
University of Cambridge

Boxed lunches will be served to those in attendance.

Please Note:

The international meeting and the dual degree meeting are scheduled so that interested students can attend both.



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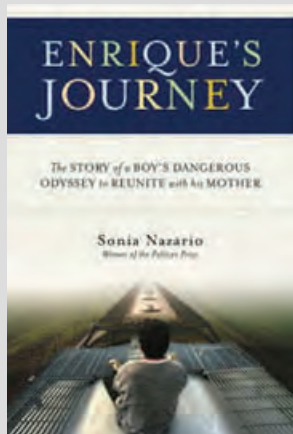
BOOK SIGNING

THURSDAY

SEPTEMBER 16

6:00 PM

REID CHAPEL



Cordell Hull Lecture • Sonia Nazario

On Thursday, September 16, Cumberland will host Sonia Nazario, author of the book entitled "[Enrique's Journey](#)." Ms. Nazario's visit will be the first guest lecture for the law school's Cordell Hull Lecture series.

Her presentation and book signing will be held at 6:00 PM in Reid Chapel, Samford University. Ms. Nazario's talk gives a very different perspective about the very challenging immigration issue that our country is facing.

ABOUT THE AUTHOR

Sonia Nazario has spent 20 years reporting and writing about social issues, most recently as a projects reporter for the Los Angeles Times. Her stories have tackled some of this country's most intractable problems: hunger, drug addiction, immigration.

She has won numerous national journalism and book awards. In 2003, her story of a Honduran boy's struggle to find his mother in the U.S., entitled "Enrique's Journey," won more than a dozen awards, among them the Pulitzer Prize for feature writing, the George Polk Award for International Reporting, the Grand Prize of the Robert F. Kennedy Journalism Award, and the National Assn. of Hispanic Journalists Guillermo Martinez-Marquez Award for Overall Excellence.

Expanded into a book, Enrique's Journey became a national bestseller and won two book awards. It is now required reading for incoming freshmen at dozens of colleges and high schools across the U.S.

In 1998, Nazario was a Pulitzer Prize finalist for a series on children of drug addicted parents. And in 1994, she won a George Polk Award for Local Reporting for a series about hunger among school children in California.

Nazario has been named among the most influential Latinos by Hispanic Business Magazine and a "trendsetter" by Hispanic Magazine.

Nazario, who grew up in Kansas and in Argentina, has written extensively from Latin America and about Latinos in the United States. She is now at work on her second book. She began her career at the Wall Street Journal, where she reported from four bureaus: New York, Atlanta, Miami, and Los Angeles. In 1993, she joined the Los Angeles Times. She serves on the advisory boards of the University of North Texas Mayborn Literary Non-fiction Writer's Conference and of Catch the Next, a non-profit working to double the number of Latinos enrolling in college. She is also on the board of Kids In Need of Defense, a non-profit launched by Microsoft and Angelina Jolie to provide pro-bono attorneys to unaccompanied immigrant children.

She is a graduate of Williams College and has a master's degree in Latin American studies from the University of California, Berkeley. In 2010, Nazario received an honorary doctorate from Mount St. Mary's College.

Dual Degree Students of Cumberland

Are you a dual degree student or interested in obtaining a dual degree? Are you interested in learning about alternatives to pursuing a legal career with dual degrees? Do you need to sell your books to other dual degree students? The **Dual Degree Students of Cumberland** is a new club hoping to give joint degree students a chance to meet and link with other like-minded students. We will be hosting a brief interest meeting:

September 9 at 11:45 AM in room 115

Open to all 1, 2, and 3Ls

We look forward to seeing you there. If any questions, please contact Tina Lam at tlam@samford.edu

Please note that there is an **Fall International Meeting at 12:15** in the Dean's Conference Room for all interested students! Students will have time to attend both meetings if they wish!

Breakfast With The Dean

Judge John L. Carroll and other members of the law school staff will meet with alumni at the firm of **Leitman, Siegal, Payne & Campbell, P.C.** at their offices:

Thursday, September 9 • 8:30-9:30 AM

If you are interested in hosting a Breakfast with the Dean, please contact Lauren McCaghren at lcmccagh@samford.edu.

Street Law

Street Law returns for Fall 2010. Street Law is a volunteer program for the law students to go into local schools for six consecutive weeks and teach lessons that directly affect the lives of youth from the *Play by the Rules: Alabama Laws for Youth*. These interactions will help enhance the volunteers' skills of breaking down legal jargon into words an average person can understand and also removes some nervousness of public speaking. There is no need for the volunteers to be worried about time constraints or making lesson plans, because the one hour Monday night training class completely prepares them. We will begin with **Orientation on September 7, 2010 at 6:30 PM in the Great Room**. Each Monday night class, September 21 through October 26, will begin promptly at 6:30 PM. If you have any questions, please contact Brittney Hardison at bhardison@aclce.org or 205.726.2433.

STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS FAIR

Thursday, September 9

The Great Room

10:00 AM to 1:00 PM

All student organizations and any causes are invited to participate. This is a great way for all students to learn about the many ways to become involved at Cumberland.



FACULTY COLLOQUIUM

Professor Brannon Denning will speak to the Cumberland faculty Friday, **September 10 at 11:00 AM** in the Dean's Conference Room. Lunch will be provided. If you plan to attend, please RSVP to Laurie Zimmer at:

726.2411 or
lzimmer@samford.edu

By 4:00 PM on September 9

The topic of Professor Denning's presentation is:

*McDonald v. Chicago:
Five Takes*



2010 Race for the Cure

Please join Women in Law for the annual Susan G. Komen Birmingham Race for the Cure, a nationwide event to raise funds and awareness about breast cancer, on Saturday, October 9, 2010 at Linn Park.

Women in Law has started a team for this year's Race for the Cure, and the deadline for registration is September 27. The race is a 5K (3.1 miles) run/walk and a 1-mile fun run/walk. If you are not interested in running or cannot be present at the event, you can still join the team and "Sleep for the Cure." The team is open to all students, faculty, staff and friends and family.

As in year's past, Dean Carroll will buy dinner for any student who beats him in the race.

Our team name is "Cumberland School of Law" and can be accessed at:

<http://2010komenalabamaracefortheure.kintera.org/faf/search/searchTeamPart.asp?ievent=341678&team=3877438>

The main page for the Race for the Cure event is: <http://www.komenncalabama.org/>

If you have any questions about the event or the team please contact Brittany Waggener, Women in Law President, at: bwaggene@samford.edu

Rodney Max Mediation Fellowship

The Cumberland Community Mediation Center (CCMC) is inviting students to apply for the Rodney Max Mediation Fellowship. Established by Rodney A. Max, a nationally renowned mediator and a 1975 graduate of Cumberland School of Law, the fellowship recognizes the interest, achievements and scholarship of Cumberland students in the area of mediation.

The Rodney Max Fellow will receive a \$5,000 fellowship award for the 2010-2011 academic year. The Fellow will work under the direction of the Director of the CCMC with primary responsibilities being: Manage the Samford Residence Life Mediation Project; co-mediate disputes as assigned by the Director of the CCMC; research and writing projects as assigned.

Applicants for the fellowship must have a strong interest in mediation and must have completed the Mediator Practice course (Law 805-01) or enrolled in the course for Fall 2010. Applicants are to submit a resume and a statement of interest to Cassandra W. Adams, Director, Cumberland Community Mediation Center & Public Interest Project. The statement should describe any relevant experience as well as the applicant's academic and professional interest and achievements in mediation.

A selection committee will review applications. An interview may be required.

Questions about the Rodney Max Mediation Fellowship and/or the application process should be directed to:

Cassandra Adams at ceadams@samford.edu or stop by the CCMC office in Room 215

1L Community Service Projects



On August 20 faculty, staff, and over 150 members of the first year class participated in Cumberland's annual Public Service Day. Participants volunteered with Habitat for Humanity and Better Basics of Birmingham. Better Basics volunteers sorted books to give to needy children in the Birmingham area. Habitat volunteers aided in the construction of 8 houses for the Jimmy Carter Work Project.

The Cumberland Public Interest Project would like to thank each and every volunteer for their dedication to public service and looks forward to continued participation in the coming years.



Public Service Day • August 20, 2010

Government Career Fair

The Career Development Office has held a Public Interest Career Fair during the spring semester each year. This career fair, which included both government and non-profit employers, has grown to the point that we decided it would be best to divide the groups and host a Government Career Fair during the fall semester and a Public Interest Career Fair (for non-governmental organizations) in the spring.

The first annual Government Career Fair will be held on Monday, September 27 from 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM in the Great Room. A list of participating employers will be available closer to the date of the fair. The application process for summer positions with many government offices takes place during the fall semester and we hope that this career fair will help educate our students about government opportunities in time to meet these early deadlines.

Program for 1Ls • Sponsored by Kaplan PMBR

You've heard about outlining and how important it is for your success on finals - but do you know how to do it? Attend the free "How to Outline" seminar on Monday, September 13, 2010 at 11:50 AM in Room 114. Featured as part of academic support for 1Ls at multiple schools, you will learn how to structure and create your own outlines, and how to incorporate the voluminous information from cases and class for exam success! Featured case: Snyder v. Turk, 627 N.E.2d 1053 (1993). Please review prior to the seminar. Lunch will be provided. If you have another questions, please contact Leigh Hearn at leigh.hearn@kaplanpmb.com.

Volunteer Opportunity

Alabama Appleseed (Montgomery, AL) is seeking immediate assistance from a volunteer (or team of volunteers) with computer skills for a mapping project to be completed by October 30, 2010.

Assignment: Build an internet-based map overlaying poverty demographics and payday lending store fronts for 6 counties (Montgomery and the 5 county greater Birmingham area). There is no research required; all data will be supplied by Appleseed.

Again, this is a non-paid volunteer opportunity. No travel is required; all work can be done from your home/school. If you are interested or would like more information, please contact Shay Farley at shay.farley@alabamaappleseed.org or 334.263.0086.

Faculty News

PROFESSOR WENDY GREENE

Professor Wendy Greene's article, "Pretext Without Context" has been published in the Missouri Law Review (75 Mo. L. REV. 403- (2010)). Her article highlights two Alabama employment discrimination cases: Ash v. Tyson Foods, Inc., and Holiness v. Moore-Handley, Inc.. An excerpt of Professor Greene's article, "Title VII: What's Hair (And Other Race-Based Characteristics) Got To Do With It?" has also been included in the most recent edition of RACE LAW: CASES, COMMENTARY, AND QUESTIONS (Carolina Academic Press).



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JUDGE JOHN L. CARROLL

Judge Carroll has recently been named as a member of the National Board of Trustees of the American Inns of Court. The Board, composed of judges and lawyers from across the country, assists the Inns of Court with its mission of promoting professionalism and ethics in the legal profession.

Judge Carroll has also been named as the reporter to the Uniform Law Commission Asset Freezing Order drafting committee. That committee will be drafting a uniform law for passage by the states relating to the freezing of assets before trial.

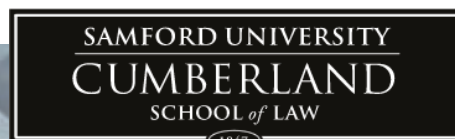


Cumberland CLE Programs

Cumberland sponsors continuing education programs for practicing lawyers throughout the fall semester. These programs cover a variety of practice areas and feature national and local experts in these areas of law. All Cumberland students are invited to attend these programs free of charge, but you must register with the CLE office in advance so we

can plan appropriately for the conferences. You can find a full list of programs [HERE](#). Call extension 726.2391 if you want to register.

Third-year students might be particularly interested in the program being offered on September 24 in the Moot Court Room for our recent graduates. This is a program which focuses on beginning a practice and identifies areas of practice new lawyers may anticipate handling. For more information, call 726.2391.



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