



The Dean's Weekly Newsletter

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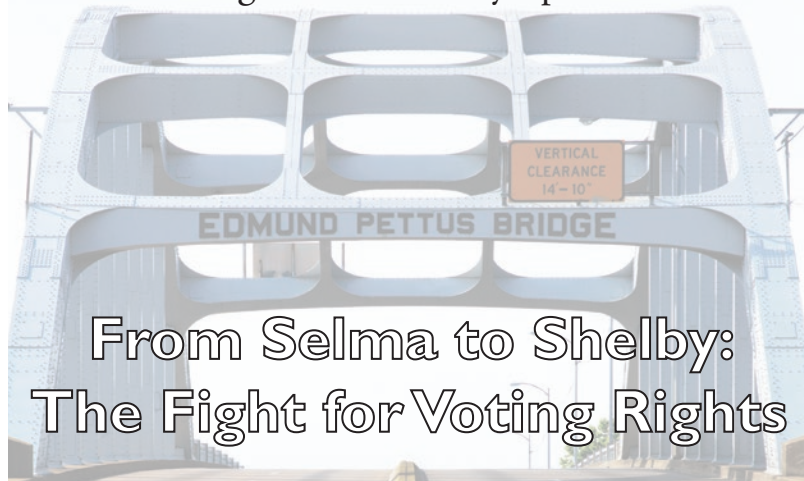
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Thurgood Marshall Symposium to Address Voting Rights



Thurgood Marshall Symposium



From Selma to Shelby: The Fight for Voting Rights



Featuring **Ryan Haygood** - President & CEO of the New Jersey Institute for Social Justice ("The Institute")

Friday, March 4, 2016 at Noon

Location: The Great Room
Samford University's
Cumberland School of Law

FREE and open to the public. One hour of CLE credit. Refreshments will be served following the presentation.

The Thurgood Marshall Symposium is an annual event hosted by the Black Law Students Association at Cumberland School of Law. The purpose of the symposium is to provide students, attorneys and the public critical information about legal issues affecting minorities.

Two Teams Place in Top Five at Regional Competition

Please join the Trial Advocacy Board in congratulating our 2016 Mediation Team for placing third (Shadi Jaraysi and Kevin Bufford) and fifth (Scott DeZouche and Miranda Coley) in the 2016 Regional Mediation Competition at Memphis School of Law. On Fri., February 26, 12 teams participated in the Regional Mediation Competition. They demonstrated a wave of great talent. The competition consisted of two rounds in which students negotiated settlement deals for their clients in hypothetical disputes. These disputes were anything but simple, as every client had various social, emotional, professional, legal, and financial interest that complicated the negotiation process. Both of our teams demonstrated incredible professionalism and creativity.

Get ready for
Law Week 2016
March 7-12, 2016
 See **page 4** for more information!

Apply Now for Summer Public Interest Fellowship

The 2016 [Summer Public Interest Fellowship application](#) is now available and can be completed online. The application deadline is Tues., April 5, 2016. Contact [Charmayne Fillmore](#) or [Cassandra Adams](#) for more information.

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

Writing Competition Open to Students and Faculty

Students and faculty are invited to participate in the 2016 American Inns of Court [Warren E. Burger Prize writing competition](#). The submission deadline for the 2016 Warren E. Burger Prize is July 1, 2016. For more information, please contact [Cindy Dennis](#) at (571) 319-4703.

Register for the Shores Moot Court Competition

Registration is now open for the Shores Moot Court Competition. The Shores is an interschool competition for 2Ls and 3Ls only. The Competition will be held the week of April 2 with the final round on Sat. April 9 during Admitted Students/Alumni Weekend.

Moot court differs from trial advocacy because it is appellate advocacy, a demonstration of the appeals process after the trial has already concluded. Instead of questioning witnesses and arguing in front of a jury, advocates make their case to a panel of judges as to why their side should win on a certain point of law. The Shores does not have a writing component. Participants will be given a record of the case, and a brief for both the petitioner and the respondent. Because it is a closed universe problem participants will not have to do outside case research, but may find it helpful to research the cases cited in the briefs when crafting the argument. The judges will be actual judges, attorneys and National Team Coaches. The finals judges, will all be actual judges. You will be scored and advanced as individuals, and therefore do not need to participate with a partner.

[Register](#) by Thurs. March 10 at 11:59 p. m. The \$15 entry fee (cash in a marked envelope or check made payable to Cumberland Moot Court Board) may be slid under the Moot Court door (upper level of the Great Room) or given to [Kate Furek](#) or [Haley Stencil](#).

Cumberland Class Shirts For Sale



The 3L Class has designed class specific t-shirts. The shirts are long sleeve white comfort colors t-shirts, with class year included under the school logo. The shirts are being sold for \$20.

To place an order, go to Cumberland [Class of 2016](#), [Class of 2017](#), [Class of 2018](#) T-Shirt Orders. Payment is currently accepted in the form of check, cash, or venmo. Checks should be made payable to "Cumberland 3L class." For venmo, please send money to the "Cumberland Senior Class" @Cumberland3Lclass.

The deadline to purchase class shirts is Friday March 4. Contact [Weathers Veazey](#) for more information.

Law Review Selects Editorial Board

The Cumberland Law Review Volume 46 Editorial Board is proud to announce the Volume 47 Editorial Board. Congratulations to these students:

Kyle Weaver, Editor in Chief
 Anna Akers, Executive Editor
 Riley Murphy, Managing Editor
 Scotch Ritchey, Acquisitions Editor
 Hayden Bashinski, Student Materials Editor
 Rebecca Guidry, Online Managing Editor
 Kayla Currie and Jordan Jackson, Research Editors
 Christian Borek and David Manush, Writing Editors
 Adam Buddenbohn and Zach Mardis, Copy Editors

University Addiction Support Group Meets Weekly

The newly formed university addiction support group plans to meet once per week from 7-8 p.m. through May 5 in Burns Hall, Room 311. Students and those supporting friends who struggle with addiction are invited to attend. Though the group is being established to support any addictive behaviors, the primary focus will be on drug and alcohol issues. As many of you know, this is an area affecting young lawyers at a higher than average rate, as highlighted in a recent [ABA Journal article](#). If you have questions or concerns, please see [Mrs. Nelson](#) in Student Services.

This Week's Events

Career Development Events

Cumberland School of Law's
Annual Public Interest Career Fair

Wed., March 2, 2016
10 a.m. – 2 p.m.
Great Room

Please come by and meet various public interest organizations from around Alabama. They will be here to answer your questions and tell you about summer internship opportunities.

Lunch will be served.

Bar Exam Meetings Mandatory for 3Ls

Cumberland is holding a series of three identical meetings about the bar exam in upcoming weeks. The meetings will provide information on and an opportunity to ask questions about the bar exam, bar exam preparation, and related topics. The meetings will be held in the Moot Courtroom at the following times and will last approximately 30 minutes:

- Tuesday, March 1 at 8:00 a.m.;
- Monday, March 14 at noon; and
- Thursday, March 17 at 1:30 p.m.

All third-year students are required to attend one of these meetings (though first and second year students are welcome to attend).

Florida Student Bar Association to Host Annual Fish Fry

The Florida Student Bar Association will be hosting its Third Annual Fish Fry. The Fish Fry will be on Sat., March 5, from 12:30 p.m. to 4 p.m. at Sidebar (2929 7th Ave S, Birmingham, AL 35233). Tickets are \$10 for all you can eat and are on sale Wednesday-Friday this week. For more information, contact [Joey Gomez](#).

Final Four Advance in Williams Trial Competition



Last weekend, the top eight teams in the Williams trial competition tried their case in front of local attorneys and judges. These Elite Eight teams had their best trials in the Williams thus far. Congratulations to those four teams advancing to the Final Four. If you are interested in watching the semi-final rounds, they will take place on Sat. March 5 at 10 a.m. in the Moot courtroom as well as the Trial courtroom/classroom.

Parham Williams Final Four:

Hilyer / Bentley
Banks / Heyward
Simms / Argo
Tribble / Chiou

Called to the Bar Thursday

The next program in the Called to the Bar series is scheduled Thur., March 3 at 11 a.m. in the Moot Courtroom. In this session, Dean Denning will speak to first-year students about registration and curriculum planning and Pattie Harris will discuss joint degree programs.

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

Samford's Events

- [Samford University's Public Events](#)
 - [Sporting Events](#)
 - [Performing Arts Calendar](#)
- Click on event titles for more information!**



It's almost here!
Law Week 2016
March 7-12, 2016
Check your email for more information!



SBA members will be selling tickets in the breezeway this week and next week, Monday - Thursday from 10-3. Please stop by the table to buy your tickets or to ask any questions.

Monday, March 7:

- Freshmen Follies: "A Jury Without Peers"
Moot Courtroom, 4:30 p.m.
- Faculty, Staff & Student Social: Wine Loft, 7:30 p.m. (2200 1st Avenue North, Birmingham, 35203)

Tuesday, March 8:

- Kickball: George Ward Park, first games at 6 p.m. (331 16th Avenue South, Birmingham, 35205)

Wednesday, March 9:

- Williams Final Round: Moot Courtroom, 2 p.m.
- Cumberland Idol: Sidebar, first act at 8 p.m. (2929 7th Avenue South, Birmingham, 35233)

Thursday, March 10:

- Rascal Day: Angel Patio, start time 11 a.m.
Everyone is encouraged to bring your DOG to school! There will be the annual Parade of Dogs, the reading of the history of Rascal, prizes awarded and lunch provided! The Humane Society will have dogs for rent and adoption at 10:30 a.m.
- Rascal's Night Out: Avondale Brewery, 5:30 p.m. (201 41st Street South, Birmingham, 35222)
Bring your dogs along for this event too. There will be a food truck.

Friday, March 11:

- Cumberland Classic: 8:30 a.m., The Valley Course at Oxmoor Valley (100 Sunbelt Parkway, Birmingham, 35211)

Saturday, March 12:

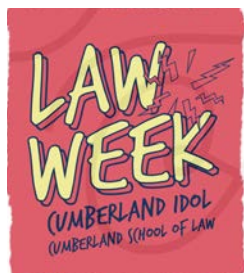
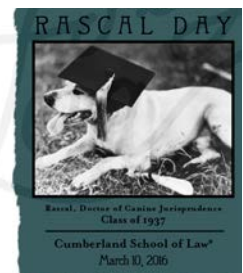
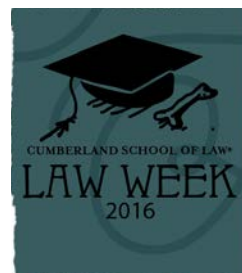
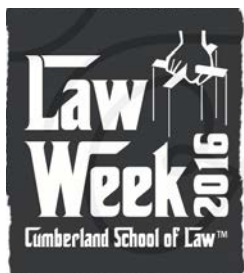
- Barrister's Ball: 7 p.m. at Iron City (513 22nd Street South, Birmingham 35233) Theme: "The Godfather" Band: Black Jacket. Drinks and light food provided. Photo booth will be provided. Transportation will be provided from Iron City to the Lakeview area.

A quick run down on prices:

- Kickball: \$60/ team
- Cumberland Idol: \$5
- Golf: \$55/ player (\$110/ team)
- Barrister's Ball
Tickets: \$50/ person
- Tshirts: \$20 each
(See proofs below; there will also be proofs of the shirts at the table during ticket sales)
- Law Week Hugger: 1 for \$3, 2 for \$5

FREE Admission Events:

- Freshmen Follies
- Faculty, Staff & Student Social (cash bar)
- Rascal Day
- Rascal's Night Out



Payment is accepted via cash, check, debit/credit card, or venmo.

BLSA's Chili Cook-Off to be an Annual Event



Students, faculty and staff enjoy chili at the Black Law Student Association's Chili-Cook off last week. Congratulations to Ben Keown (first), Jose Tron (second), Constantine Post (third) and Cameron Parsons (honorable mention).

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.

Upcoming Alumni Events:

Thur., March 31, 2016
6 p.m.

Washington DC
Alumni Event

For Cumberland and SU
alumni and friends:
The Washington Center
1333 16th Street, NW
Washington DC,
20036-2205



PLEASE JOIN
Cumberland School of Law alumni,
Dean Henry C. Strickland III and Anne Marovich
for a casual gathering at



Thursday, April 28, 2016
5:30pm - 7:30pm

644 McDonnell Drive
Tallahassee, Florida 32310

*Finger foods/appetizers served, cash bar available

Please convey plans to attend, by Friday, April 22, to Anne Marovich
amarovich@samford.edu or 205-726-2443

Faculty Notes



Professor Woodrow Hartzog '02 recently published an article with Neil Richards in The Guardian over Apple's dispute with the FBI titled "[Apple v the FBI: why the 1789 All Writs Act is the wrong tool.](#)"



Professor Paul Kuruk participated in a meeting of the Intergovernmental Committee on Intellectual Property and Genetic Resources, Traditional Knowledge and Folklore of the World Intellectual Property Organization (IGC) held in Geneva, Switzerland, from February 15 to 19, 2016. The IGC is

tasked with developing international legal instruments which will ensure the effective protection of genetic resources, traditional knowledge and traditional cultural expressions. During the meeting, Professor Kuruk made a presentation on The Definition and Sanctions for the Misappropriation of Genetic Resources.

Photo of the Week



Current members and alumni of the American Journal of Trial Advocacy met for lunch after the AJTA symposium last week.

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