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**Alexandra W. Albright**

Professor Alexandra Albright presented the Procedure Update at the State Bar Advanced Personal Injury Law Course. She was chair of the State Bar Pattern Jury Oversight Committee's Plain Language Subcommittee, and as such, presented a plain language revision of the admonitory instructions to the Texas Supreme Court.

**William P. Allison**

In March 2007, Professor Bill Allison spoke to a group at the National Innocence Network's annual conference at Harvard on a project in progress at the Texas Center for Actual Innocence; a psychological model for testing the veracity of recanting witnesses in sexual assault innocence cases. It is a joint project with Matthew Ferrera, PhD, a forensic psychologist in Austin. The model is currently being tested by Dr. Ferrera on innocence cases being handled by UT students in the Actual Innocence Clinic.

**David A. Anderson**

On June 12th, Professor David Anderson participated in a panel on "Shields and Sources: Media and the Law" at the Dell Jewish Community Campus in Austin, TX. He gave a talk on "Tort Law in the Texas Supreme Court" at the Appellate Conference in Austin sponsored by UT CLE on May 31<sup>st</sup>.

### **Lynn A. Baker**

Professor Lynn Baker spoke on "Group Settlements in the New Era: Ethical and Liability Issues," at the "Hot Topics In Pharmaceutical Litigation" conference on June 8<sup>th</sup> in Miami, Florida and at the Mass Torts Made Perfect symposium in Las Vegas, Nevada on March 30<sup>th</sup>. She presented (with Dan Rodriguez) a work-in-progress titled "Comparative Domestic Constitutional Law: Federalism and Localism as a Case Study," at a Drawing Board Lunch at the University of Texas School of Law, Austin, Texas, on April 24<sup>th</sup>.

On March 29<sup>th</sup>, Baker presented a paper entitled "Solving the Problem of the Modern Spending Power," at the Legal Theory Colloquium at the University of California at Davis School of Law in Davis, California.

Baker presented a paper entitled "Do the Ethics Rules Governing Group Litigation Disadvantage Plaintiffs?" at the Review of Litigation's Symposium on "Products Liability: Litigation Trends on the 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Third Restatement," at the University of Texas School of Law, Austin, Texas, on March 22<sup>nd</sup>. She also became a ten-time National Champion in Tournament Bridge when her team won the Women's Swiss Team competition in St. Louis, Missouri, on March 18<sup>th</sup>.

### **Bernard S. Black**

Professor Bernard Black gave an invited keynote speech at the Brazil Finance Society annual meeting (Sao Paolo Brazil, July 26-28) on the topic of "Identification Strategies in Corporate Governance Research."

He (along with 2006-2008 visiting professor Woochan Kim) won the best paper award at the Asia Finance Association annual meeting, for their paper titled "The Effect of Board Structure on Firm Value in an Emerging Market: IV, DiD, and Firm Fixed Effects Evidence from Korea." (<http://ssrn.com/abstract=968287>). The award was sponsored by the Asia-Pacific Basin Finance Journal, and the PACAP Research Center at the University of Rhode Island, and includes a \$1,000 prize.

### **Cynthia L. Bryant**

On August 6<sup>th</sup>, Professor Cynthia Bryant spoke on "Can Dispute Resolution Improve Child Support Programs?" at the Annual Conference of the National Child Support Enforcement Association. May 3<sup>rd</sup> through the 4<sup>th</sup>, she participated in meetings as a member of the Texas Supreme Court's Task Force on Foster Care and the Task Force on Child Protection Case Management and Reporting.

On April 27<sup>th</sup>, Professor Bryant introduced keynote speaker Bernie Mayer at the Spring Symposium of UT's Graduate Portfolio Program in Dispute Resolution.

### **Sarah M. Buel**

Professor Sarah Buel gave a presentation at University of Texas Expert Witnesses Conference titled "Admissibility and Uses of Expert Testimony in Domestic Violence, Civil and Criminal Litigation: Law, Practice, and Policy." She provided a two hour sample class on criminal law and domestic violence for first generation college students interested in law school at the Law School Preparation Institute at the University of Texas at Pan Am.

Buel gave the keynote speech at the Harris County (TX) Judge's Conference titled "Addressing Felony Domestic Violence Issues." She also gave an all day presentation at the St. Louis Domestic Violence Conference titled "Economic Justice for Battered Women and their Children."

Buel provided a two hour sample class on criminal law and domestic violence for first generation college students interested in law school at the Summer Law School Preparation Academy, University of Texas at San Antonio. She gave a presentation titled "Resilience for Children of Domestic Violence: Promising Practices to Replicate" at the Indiana Child Abuse Prevention Conference (Indianapolis, IN).

Buel gave the keynote address at the Florida Coalition Against Domestic & Sexual Violence Annual Conference titled "Economic Justice for Battered Women: Avoiding the Tyranny of Crisis," and gave a workshop talk at the same event titled "Navigating the Troubled Waters of Advocacy: Missing Battered Women's Cues and Colluding with Batterers."

She gave the keynote address at the International Family Justice Centers Conference titled "The Historical and Legal Construction of Systems Change in Domestic Violence Law Reform" (San Diego, CA). She also gave the keynote speech at the Texas Batterer's Intervention Conference titled "The Architecture of Witness Tampering in Domestic Violence Cases" (Austin, TX). Professor Buel gave a presentation titled "Resilience for Children of Domestic Violence: Promising Practices to Replicate" at the Missouri State Child Protection Conference (St. Louis, MO).

### **Charles G. Childress**

On August 8<sup>th</sup>, Professor Charles Childress spoke on International Child Issues and the Hague Convention at the State Bar of Texas 33rd Annual Advanced Family Law Course. On July 13<sup>th</sup>, he was a panelist at the Austin presentation of Sampson & Tindall's 9th Biennial Family Law Legislative Update (UT CLE, 2007).

Childress spoke on "CASA Case Legal Issues: Questions and Answers" at the Texas CASA Advanced Case Supervisor training seminar on May 22<sup>nd</sup>; and on April 27<sup>th</sup>, he spoke at a Texas CASA training seminar in Austin on "Permanency Hearing to Final Hearing: Preparing for a Trial on the Merits," including hearsay, confidentiality and the CASA volunteer, discovery issues, mediation, preparation for final trial, what the CASA should testify about, and how a CASA should ensure that the child's best interest is presented to the court.

On March 29<sup>th</sup>, Childress addressed ethical concerns for attorneys representing children in termination cases involving Americans with Disability Act claims at a seminar in Austin sponsored by Advocacy, Incorporated, the UT School of Social Work, the UT School of Law Children's Rights Clinic and the William Wayne Justice Center for Public Interest Law. On February 26<sup>th</sup>, he spoke on legal issues for youth in foster care after termination of parental rights at the annual Texas CASA staff retreat in Kerrville.

### **Michael J. Churgin**

Professor Michael J Churgin presented a paper on the Safe Third Country Asylum Agreement between the United States and Canada at the annual meeting of the Law & Society Association in Berlin in July. He has also completed work on a new edition of his monograph on the Texas Mental Health Code, to be published by the Hogg Foundation. Professor Churgin was reappointed to the ABA Bar Admissions Committee in 2007.

### **John Deigh**

Professor John Deigh presented a paper, "Moral Agency and Criminal Responsibility" to the philosophy department of the University of Kansas on September 28<sup>th</sup>. He presented another paper, "Williams on Practical Reason, a Qualified Defense" to the philosophy department of the University of Auckland, August 23<sup>rd</sup>.

Deigh was a visiting Fellow in the Social and Political Theory Program, Research School of Social Sciences, Australian National University, May 15 - August 15. He presented a paper titled "Moral Agency and Criminal Responsibility" in the

seminar series of the Centre for Applied Ethics and Public Philosophy, Australian National University on August 13<sup>th</sup>.

Deigh also participated in a workshop on David Estlund's Democratic Authority sponsored by the RSSS Social and Political Theory Program on August 6<sup>th</sup>.

He presented a paper, "Emotions and Values", at the conference on Emotions, Self and Identity at the University of Aarhus, Aarhus, Denmark, May 24<sup>th</sup> through the 26<sup>th</sup>. He presented a paper, "Williams on Practical Reason, a Qualified Defense" in the RSSS Philosophy Program's seminar series on May 17<sup>th</sup>.

### **Mechele Dickerson**

On August 27<sup>th</sup>, Professor Mechele Dickerson lead one of the Book discussion groups titled "Maxed Out," during Orientation for Freshman Law students at the University of Texas at Austin Law School. She attended Dean Sager's Atlanta alumni reception on July 31<sup>st</sup>.

On May 22<sup>nd</sup>, Dickerson presented a CLE program co-sponsored by the Austin Black Lawyers Association and the Austin Bar Association on "Contemporary Bankruptcy Issues."

On May 3<sup>rd</sup>, Dickerson attended Dean Sager's Austin alumni reception. She attended Dean Sager's Ft. Worth alumni reception on April 10<sup>th</sup>. On March 15<sup>th</sup>, Professor Dickerson attended the Dean Sager's San Francisco alumni reception and on March 14<sup>th</sup>, she attended Dean Sager's Los Angeles alumni reception.

On March 29<sup>th</sup>, Dickerson participated in a Women in Higher Education Leadership panel entitled "If I Only Knew Then, What I Know Now" sponsored by the Division of Diversity and Community Engagement of the University of Texas at Austin. She was a member of the American Bar Association Accreditation Inspection Team at Willamette Law School March 11<sup>th</sup> through the 14<sup>th</sup>. Professor Dickerson also presented a paper during the Faculty Colloquium Series at the University of Alabama School of Law on February 12<sup>th</sup>.

### **Karen L. Engle**

Professor Karen Engle spent January through August as a Scholar in Residence at the Universidad de Los Andes Faculty of Law in Bogotá, Colombia, where she gave several lectures to law classes and a colloquium to the faculty.

On June 19<sup>th</sup>, she presented a talk entitled “Judging Sex in War” as part of a conference held at the Netherlands Defense Academy in Amsterdam. Professor Engle presented “Gender, Globalization, Governance and Violence,” as part of a conference she helped to organize with students from the LBJ School of Public Policy and other UT faculty on April 12<sup>th</sup>.

Engle organized and directed, through the Rapoport Center for Human Rights and Justice at UT and in collaboration with several Colombian universities, a student project on the collective property rights of Afro-descendants in Colombia. As a part of the project, eight students spent their spring break in Colombia. They wrote their findings in a report submitted to the Inter-American Commission for Human Rights and members of the U.S. Congress.

### **Elizabeth Frumkin**

Over the summer, Elizabeth Frumkin developed a new course for incoming LLM students entitled “Fundamentals of American Law” and taught the August orientation for LLM students. Frumkin also served on the Culture Committee of Impact Austin, a “giving circle” of women in the Austin, Texas area who pool their philanthropic donations and at their annual meeting in June awarded over \$400,000 in grants for local community service projects.

### **Mark P. Gergen**

Professor Mark Gergen participated in the Harvard Seminar on Tax Policy in Woodstock, Vermont, in August. He testified before the Senate Finance Committee on the taxation of carried interests in July. Gergen participated in a panel discussion of Victor Goldberg’s book titled “Framing Contract Law: A Panel Discussion,” in Houston in February. He also presented “Economic Torts and Related Wrongs, Preliminary Draft No. 3” to the consultative committee and advisors in San Francisco and Philadelphia and to a faculty seminar at Oxford arranged by Jane Stapleton.

### **Julius G. Getman**

Professor Julius Getman attended a book reading and discussion of his novel *STRKE* in Portland, Maine the first part of 2007. He also presented a talk on labor history at the University of Maine. Getman has been quoted many times in various newspapers around the country on the Houston Janitor’s strike.

### **John M. Golden**

On April 19<sup>th</sup>, Professor John Golden delivered a keynote speech on Supreme Court patent cases for the "Current and Future Trends in Patent Law" conference hosted by Suffolk University Law School. For that same conference, he also served as a panelist, discussing the availability of injunctions for patent infringement. On February 9<sup>th</sup>, Golden spoke on patent reform as a panelist for the *Texas Intellectual Property Law Journal's* 8th Annual IP Symposium.

### **Steven Goode**

In May, Professor Steven Goode presented "Rules of Evidence Related to Witnesses," at the Texas Access to Justice Commission Evidence Seminar. He was the panel moderator for "The Future of Products Liability: Views From the Bench," at the Review of Litigation Symposium in March. On February 2<sup>nd</sup>, Goode presented "Hearsay," at the Texas Municipal Courts Education Center (web-based seminar).

### **Barbara Hines**

Counsel with the American Civil Liberties Union and the law firm of LeBeouf Lamb, in *In Re Hutto Family Detention Center*, filed in federal district court in Austin challenging the detention of immigrant children and their parents at the T. Don Hutto facility in Taylor, Texas. The case was favorably settled in August. She received the 2007 Elmer Fried Excellence in Teaching Award, American Immigration Lawyers Association, June, 2007.

Professor Barbara Hines planned and spoke at a two and a half day seminar by the University of Texas School of Law, Continuing Legal Education, entitled "Immigration Fundamentals" in Plano, Texas, in April and Houston, Texas, in May. She was the honoree for contributions to Central Texas immigrant community, Political Asylum Project of Austin, also in May. The Texas House of Representatives passed a resolution commending Hines' accomplishments on behalf of immigrant's rights, May, 2007.

During the spring, 2007, Barbara Hines was quoted *Newsweek*, *New York Times*, NPR, KUT, *Austin American Statesman*, *Houston Chronicle*, *Dallas Morning News* and other print media as well as Univision and other television stations and Canadian radio and newspapers.

## Henry T. Hu

Professor Henry Hu spoke in, among other cities, Amsterdam, Boston, London, Milan, New Haven, New York, Philadelphia, Singapore, Washington, and Zurich in the period of February 1<sup>st</sup>, 2007 – August 31<sup>st</sup>, 2007. He spoke on such matters as managerial short-termism, empty voting, hedge funds, and hidden (morphable) ownership at, among other things, conferences or other events hosted by (in chronological order):

Association of Investment Companies (London, U.K.--February), International Corporate Governance Network (London, U.K.--March), Institutional Shareholders Services (March and April), Vanderbilt Law School (Nashville--April), University of Pennsylvania Law School (Philadelphia--April), Eidgenössische Technische Hochschule Zürich (Zurich, Switzerland--April), Bocconi University Institute of Comparative Law (Milan, Italy--May), University of Amsterdam/Amsterdam Center for Corporate Finance (Amsterdam, The Netherlands--May), Niederer Kraft & Frey (Zurich, Switzerland--May), Conference Board (New York--May), U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (Washington D.C.--May 24<sup>th</sup>), Yale School of Management (New Haven--May), Northeast Business Law Center (New York--June), Boston College School of Management (Boston--June), National University of Singapore/Singapore Academy of Law (Singapore--August).

In May, one of Hu's articles ("Empty Voting and Hidden (Morphable) Ownership: Taxonomy, Implications, and Reforms," co-authored with Bernard Black) was chosen as one of the "Top 10 Corporate and Securities Articles of 2006" in a national poll of scholars in the field. This was the fourth time that one of Hu's articles was so named.

On May 15<sup>th</sup>, Hu appeared on National Public Radio's show *All Things Considered* with respect to Cerberus, a large private equity firm. He appeared on Info-Radio Berlin (German National Public Radio) in June, discussing certain financial matters. He was also interviewed by Maria Bartiromo about the Blackstone initial public offering on her CNBC television show "Closing Bell with Maria Bartiromo" on June 20<sup>th</sup>. On August 22, he appeared on the television broadcast system ChannelNews Asia, being interviewed in connection with his talk in Singapore.

Hu was named to the Board of Editors of the *Capital Markets Law Journal* (Oxford University Press) in May.

Hu was quoted on Blackstone, Cerberus, derivatives, hedge funds, initial public offerings, insider trading, and corporate stock options backdating in, among other places, the *Financial Times* (February 15, 2007, March 6, 2007, August 6, 2007,

August 8, 2007), the *Los Angeles Times* (June 19, 2007), *USA Today* (June 19, 2007), and the *Wall Street Journal* (March 24, 2007). The “HUI” index of gold stocks continues to attract attention. A September 27<sup>th</sup> Google search of HUI gold yielded 2,370,000 hits.

### **Stanley M. Johanson**

Professor Stanley Johanson gave his “Recent Developments” speech at the Houston Estate and Financial Forum on September 28<sup>th</sup>. On August 31<sup>st</sup>, he spoke on “Recent Developments in Estate Planning” at the Texas State Bar Advanced Taxation Course in Houston.

The 2007 edition of Johanson’s *Texas Probate Code Annotated* was published in August. Johanson gave his “Recent Developments” speech at the Jerry Kasner Estate Planning Conference at Santa Clara University Law School on September 7<sup>th</sup>.

### **Calvin H. Johnson**

Professor Calvin Johnson presented “Blackstone Carried Interests: A Glitch too Deep to Fix?” to a symposium on hedge funds, Yale Club, New York City on July 31<sup>st</sup>. “The Burning of R&D Deductions,” was presented to Bernie Black’s Law and Economics Symposium on April 16<sup>th</sup>.

Johnson presented “Deep Meaning of Capital Gains,” to the IRS Counsel, Brown Bag Series, Washington, D.C., April 11<sup>th</sup>. On March 21<sup>st</sup>, “What is Wrong with Stock Options,” was presented to the IRS Counsel, Brown Bag Series, Washington, D.C.

“Righteous Anger at the Wicked States: The Meaning of the Founders’ Constitution,” was presented to the IRS Counsel, Washington, D.C. on March 15<sup>th</sup>. He also presented “Righteous Anger at the Wicked States: The Meaning of the Founders’ Constitution,” to University of Michigan faculty on March 8<sup>th</sup>.

On March 7<sup>th</sup>, Johnson presented “The Burning of R&D Deductions,” to University of Michigan Law School Tax Series, Ann Arbor. “The Tax Shelf Project” was presented to IRS Counsel, Brown Bag Series, Washington, D.C. on February 28<sup>th</sup>.

He presented “General Anti-Abuse Doctrines,” to the IRS Counsel, Brown Bag Series, Washington, D.C. on February 21<sup>st</sup>, and “Righteous Anger at the Wicked

States: The Meaning of the Founders' Constitution” was presented to Boston College Law Faculty on February 9<sup>th</sup>.

### **Emily E. Kadens**

Professor Emily Kadens gave a talk on Blackstone at a conference called "To Collect the Minds of the Law" in Lund, Sweden in June. In May, she gave a talk at Oxford on Blackstone as part of UT-Oxford Exchange.

In April, Kadens gave a lunchtime talk on the history of bankruptcy in France at Commercial Realities Conference at UT, gave a talk on rare law books for an alumni reunion at the University of Texas at Austin Law School and did a drawing board lunch talk on Blackstone, also at UT-Austin Law School. She organized the annual Judicial Clerkship Workshop at UT-Austin Law School.

Kadens taught a model class for admitted students at the University of Texas at Austin Law School in March. In February, Professor Kadens gave a talk on 17<sup>th</sup> century French commercial law at the University of Pennsylvania Law School and at Northwestern Law School.

As part of University of Texas at Austin Law School's Orientation for new students, Kadens taught a class on case briefing for LL.Ms, taught case briefing to 1Ls, managed a book group for 1Ls, and hosted a reception for older 1Ls.

### **Susan R. Klein**

Susan R. Klein presented a paper, “Lies, Omissions, and Concealment: The Golden Rule in Law Enforcement and the Federal Criminal Code,” at a symposium on Citizen Ignorance, Police Deception, and the Constitution at the Texas Tech University School of Law on April 6<sup>th</sup>. Her paper was published at 39 *Texas Tech Law Review* 1321 - 1354 (Summer 2007).

Professor Klein also participated in a panel on the first year curriculum in late August at the University of Texas School of Law. In September she participated in a faculty colloquium on recent USSC cases, also at UT-Austin.

### **Brian R. Leiter**

On August 20<sup>th</sup>, Professor Brian Leiter presented the paper “Explaining Theoretical Disagreement” to the law faculty and members of the Social and

Political Theory Program at the Australian National University. March 29<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup>, he presented his papers titled “Why Tolerate Religion?” and “Nietzsche’s Theory of the Will” at Colgate University in Hamilton, N.Y.

On March 23<sup>rd</sup>, Leiter presented a lunchtime talk to the law faculty at the University of Minnesota on the topic “Why Tolerate Religion?” and gave a paper in the Department of Philosophy on “Nietzsche’s Theory of the Will,” also at the University of Minnesota.

On February 26<sup>th</sup>, Leiter presented a paper (with Michael Weisberg of the Department of Philosophy at the University of Pennsylvania) on “Why Evolutionary Biology is (so far) Irrelevant to Law” to a faculty workshop in the Law School at Penn.

### **Katherine V. Litvak**

Professor Kate Litvak's research on Sarbanes-Oxley was discussed in the *Economist* article titled "See Briefing Sarbanes Oxley: Five Years Under the Thumb," *Economist*, July 28, 2007, at 73.

### **Jeana A. Lungwitz**

On June 28<sup>th</sup>, Professor Jeana Lungwitz presented a paper entitled, “Presenting a Domestic Violence Case to the Court” at the Family Law on the Front Lines continuing legal education conference sponsored by the University of Texas School of Law in Galveston, TX. On April 11<sup>th</sup> in Austin, Texas, she spoke at the Poverty Law Conference sponsored by Texas Lawyers Care on the topic of Protective Orders.

### **Inga Markovits**

Professor Inga Markovits gave a talk about her new book *Gerechtigkeit in Lüritz - Justice in Lüritz* at the Berlin Kammergericht (Court of Appeals) on July 26<sup>th</sup>. She gave the graduation speech at the University of Halle Law Faculty on July 6<sup>th</sup>. Markovits' new German book was the subject of an "Author Meets Readers" session at the annual meeting of the Law & Society Association's meeting in Berlin this July.

### **Tracy W. McCormack**

This summer, Professor Tracy McCormack gave the Procedure Update at the State Bar of Texas Advanced Personal Injury Law Course (CLE). She was a speaker at The Office of the Attorney General's Distinguished Lecture Series in May. McCormack participated in The Review of Litigation's Spring Symposium. She was a moderator for the Products Liability: Duties and Defenses panel at that symposium. This spring, McCormack judged a debate competition for UT undergraduate students titled "Targeting Diversity Issues."

### **Thomas O. McGarity**

On April 20<sup>th</sup>, Professor Thomas McGarity delivered a paper on "Regulation versus Litigation in Reducing Toxics Risks" at a conference on Law, Science and the Environment at Lewis and Clark Law School. He delivered the Graylin Lecture at Wake Forest Law School titled "Bending Science: How Advocates Manipulate Science and Why They Get Away with It" on April 5<sup>th</sup>.

On March 3<sup>rd</sup>, McGarity attended a conference on Corporate Power and Corporate Governance at the University of North Carolina School of Law. March 1<sup>st</sup> he attended a conference on The Next Generation of Environmental Law at the University of Florida School of Law. McGarity was appointed to a committee of the National Academy of Sciences/National Research Council to complete a study on Insuring the Integrity of Scientific Data in a Digital Age.

### **Roy M. Mersky**

Professor Roy Mersky introduced Bryan Garner, the guest speaker, at the Scribes 2007 Annual Luncheon at Hotel Nikko in San Francisco on August 11<sup>th</sup>. He accepted the American Association of Law Libraries 2007 Law Library Publication Award – Nonprint Division for Tarlton's "Current Literature Awareness Services" project, at the AALL Annual Meeting in New Orleans, LA on July 15<sup>th</sup>.

Mersky was appointed in July to the American Association of Law Libraries Advisory Board to assist in the planning of the China-United States Conference on Legal Information and Law Libraries, to be held in Beijing in May 2009.

Mersky attended Law School Foundation meeting, Friday, May 11<sup>th</sup>, to make a presentation on the quality and scope of The Hyder Collection. He also presented Texas Tech University Law Library Endowed Faculty Scholarship Lecture, Lubbock, Texas on April 18<sup>th</sup>.

Mersky presented the SCRIBES, American Society of Writers on Legal Subjects, Law-Review Award at the National Conference of Law Reviews, in Little Rock, Arkansas, on March 22<sup>nd</sup>. Remarks published in *THE SCRIVENER* Spring 2007 at 6.

Mersky hosted Tarlton Law Library Third Annual Rare Book Lecture, "The Literature of Witchcraft Trials," on Thursday, February 15<sup>th</sup>, at 3:30 p.m. in the Law School's Sheffield Room. He introduced Scott Pagel, a noted scholar in legal bibliography and director of the Jacob Burns Law Library at The George Washington University Law School.

### **Linda S. Mullenix**

Professor Linda Mullenix published the third edition of *Federal Courts in the Twenty-First Century*, in August 2007. Her co-authors are Professors Howard Fink (emeritus Ohio State Law School), Tom Rowe (Duke University Law School), and Mark Tushnet (Harvard University Law School). She contributed all the materials on complex litigation to the book. The third edition includes new materials relating to the Class Action Fairness Act of 2005 and the impact of that statute on access to federal courts.

Mullenix held the Fulbright Senior Distinguished Chair in Law at Trento, Italy during spring 2007. During her tenure in Italy, she taught a comparative law course on Mass Tort and Class Action Litigation in a Global Context. This course explored class action litigation in the United States, as well as collective and class action litigation in other common law and civil law countries.

### **Robert C. Owen**

Professor Rob Owen was interviewed in a KUT-FM radio news feature, "Art and the Death Penalty," which aired August 20<sup>th</sup>.

On August 16<sup>th</sup>, Owen delivered the keynote address at the twelfth annual National Federal Habeas Corpus Seminar in Nashville, Tennessee. He also led panel discussions during the conference on persuasive writing and representing federal prisoners in post-conviction litigation.

On July 28<sup>th</sup>, Owen presented "Death Row Inmates in Cyberspace," a paper co-authored with Meredith Martin Rountree, at the annual meeting of the Law and Society Association in Berlin. Owen was the featured speaker at a luncheon for summer law interns at the Texas affiliate of the ACLU on July 20<sup>th</sup>.

On May 17<sup>th</sup>, he and Jordan Steiker presented "Winning Death Penalty Cases at the U.S. Supreme Court" at a luncheon meeting of the American Constitution Society in Austin. Owen was quoted in an April 8<sup>th</sup> feature in the *National Law Journal*, "A Split Grows on Hearsay Evidence," discussing whether the Sixth Amendment right of confrontation applies in a capital sentencing hearing.

On March 30<sup>th</sup>, Owen led a CLE program in Austin on "The Developing Contours of the Right to Counsel in Death Penalty Cases," sponsored by the ACLU of Texas. On February 14<sup>th</sup>, Owen hosted a discussion of the death penalty in the United States with a delegation of distinguished visitors from Argentina's Fundacion Universidad Rio de la Plata.

### **Robert J. Peroni**

In May and June, Professor Robert Peroni co-chaired meetings in Washington, D.C. of the advisory board of the annual international tax program co-sponsored by the Internal Revenue Service and George Washington University Law School.

Peroni did a colloquium presentation of his co-authored paper on "Reinvigorating Tax Expenditure Analysis and Its International Dimension" at Washington & Lee University School of Law in April. He also became Coordinating Editor for "International Income Taxation—Code and Regulations—Selected Sections," published by CCH.

### **David M. Rabban**

In June, Professor David Rabban chaired the meeting of the Committee on Academic Freedom and Tenure of the American Association of University Professors (AAUP) in Washington, DC and presented the Committee's report to the AAUP Council and the AAUP Annual Meeting.

He also spoke at the Ohio Legal History Seminar held at Ohio State University in February about his current book project on the turn to history in late nineteenth-century American legal scholarship.

### **R.A. "Tony" Reese**

In July, Professor Tony Reese co-taught a course on U.S. and Canadian copyright law in Oxford as part of the Joint International IP Law Summer Program organized by St. Peter's College, Oxford; the University of Victoria (British Columbia), and the University of Illinois. Also in July, he participated in the inaugural meeting of the Copyright Principles Project, a group of academics and

industry representatives convened by Professor Pam Samuelson of UC-Berkeley to address copyright law reform issues.

In June, Reese spoke on “Preserving the (Unpublished) Public Domain” at a conference on Working Within the Boundaries of Intellectual Property, organized by the NYU School of Law Engelberg Center on Innovation Law & Policy in Florence, Italy. Professor Reese presented a paper entitled "Are Creative Commons Licenses Forever?: Authors’ Termination Rights and Open-Content Licensing" at the Yale Law School Information Society Project Speaker Series in April and at the NYU Information Law Institute’s Colloquium on Information Technology & Society in February.

Reese also commented on a proposal for a Centralized Music Licensing Act at the Modest Proposals Conference 3.0 at the Benjamin N. Cardozo School of Law in February.

### **David W. Robertson**

On February 17<sup>th</sup>, Professor David Robertson organized the day-long conference (presented by UT CLE and Texas State Bar Association) on How to Establish, Organize, and Operate a Successful Law Firm. [Eidman Courtroom]

On March 2<sup>nd</sup>, at L.S.U. Law Center's Fifth Judge Alvin B. Rubin Conference on Maritime Personal Injury Law, he presented a paper titled "How the Supreme Court's New Definition of 'Vessel' is Affecting Seaman Status, Admiralty Jurisdiction, and Other Areas of Maritime Law."

Robertson presented a paper to the Offshore Oil and Gas Operations Committee titled "The Fifth Circuit's Mistaken Views of the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act" at Maritime Law Association's annual meeting in New York on May 10<sup>th</sup>. On the same day, he moderated a panel discussion on "Admiralty's Greatest Hits" (most notable U.S. Supreme Court decisions) at N.Y.U. Law School. The other panelists were Professors David Bederman, Martin Davies, Michael Sturley, and Joseph Sweeney.

### **William M. Sage**

Professor William Sage's paper titled "Paying Research Subjects: The U.S. Example" was published in *Essais cliniques, quels risques?* (Anne Laude and Didier Tabuteau, eds.). Paris: Presses Universitaires de France 2007: 137-152.

His paper titled "Some Principles Require Principals: Why Banning 'Conflicts of Interest' Won't Solve Incentive Problems in Biomedical Research" was published in the *Texas Law Review* 2007; 85(6): 1413-1463.

Sage published "Why Are Demonstrations of Comprehensive Malpractice Reform So (At All) Controversial?" in *University of Memphis Law Review* 2007; 37(3): 513-529 (symposium on medical malpractice reform). His paper "The Role of Medicare in Medical Malpractice Reform" was published in *Journal of Health Care Law & Policy* 2006; 9(2): 217-234 (symposium on medical liability reform) (published in 2007).

Along with Pauly MV, Thompson C, Abbott T, Margolis J, Sage published "Who Pays?: The Incidence of High Malpractice Premiums" *Forum for Health Economics and Policy* 2007; 9(1) (Frontiers in Health Policy Research, Article 2: <http://www.bepress.com/fhep/9/1/2>). Sage published "Changes in Physician Supply and Scope of Practice During a Malpractice Crisis: Evidence from Pennsylvania" in *Health Affairs* 2007; 26(3): W425-W435 (Web Exclusive, Apr. 24, 2007) with Mello MM, Studdert DM, Schumi J and Brennan TA.

He presented "Physicians' Estimates of Legal Risk: Over, Under or Through, But Never Around" (Clifford Symposium, DePaul College of Law: Chicago, IL) in April. He also presented "Health Policy in Our Own Backyard" (Alderson Lecture to the Department of Kinesiology & Health Education, University of Texas at Austin: Austin, TX) in March.

Sage presented "Commentary on the Policy Implications of the *Code Red* Report" at the UT School of Public Health colloquium series on Reinventing Public Health: Houston, TX in March. "The Wal-Martization of Health Care" was presented at the UTMB Health Disparities Lecture Series: Galveston, TX in March.

Sage presented "Why Are Funded Demonstrations of Malpractice Reform So/At All Controversial?" at the University of Memphis Cecil C. Humphreys School of Law Symposium on Rethinking Medical Liability: Memphis, TN in February. Also in February, he presented "Some Principles Require Principals: 'Conflicts of Interest' in Biomedical Research" at the Searle Law & Economics Workshop, Northwestern University Law School: Chicago, IL.

Sage presented "A Comparative Professions Approach to Medical Ethics" to the UT Austin Conference on Teaching Practical Ethics Across the Curriculum: Austin, TX in February.

**Wayne C. Schiess**

Wayne Schiess, Senior Lecturer in Legal Writing, worked as a drafting consultant for a national bank seeking to revise its home-loan transactional documents into plain English. He spoke on legal drafting for the State Bar of Texas Advanced Real Estate Drafting course in Houston and on ethical legal writing for the State Bar of Texas Public Utilities Law Section in Austin.

Schiess served as a member of the Texas Pattern Jury Charges Oversight Committee with an assignment as drafting consultant to the plain-language task force. He addressed the Legal Research Board at its annual awards ceremony this year.

Schiess gave seminars on legal writing for the UT Medical Branch at Galveston Legal Affairs Office, Fulbright & Jaworski, Washington Mutual Bank, the Social Security Administration Office of the General Counsel's national leadership conference, the Texas Office of the Attorney General, Andrews & Kurth, the Texas District and County Attorneys Association, and the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality.

He attended the Lone Star Legal Writing Conference at Texas Wesleyan School of Law in Fort Worth and gave a presentation called "The Texas Pattern Jury Charges Plain Language Task Force: An Update."

### **Jane Stapleton**

In August, Professor Jane Stapleton gave a faculty talk to the Law Faculty of the University of Tasmania on "Causation in Australian Law." On May 2nd, she delivered a public lecture on "Cause and Consequence in the Common Law" organized by the Professional Negligence Bar Association in Inner Temple Hall, London. Stapleton delivered a paper on "Causation in the Law" to a Conference on the topic at the University of Birmingham Department of Philosophy in April.

### **Jordan M. Steiker**

Professor Jordan Steiker was quoted in the *New York Times* on July 8<sup>th</sup>, about President Bush's clemency policy during his governorship in Texas. On April 26<sup>th</sup>, he delivered a lecture at Oxford University, "The American Death Penalty: Federal Constitutional Regulation and the Prospects for Judicial Abolition."

Also on April 26<sup>th</sup>, Steiker was quoted in the *Houston Chronicle*, *Dallas Morning News*, *Austin-American Statesman*, and *San Antonio Express News* about the Capital Punishment Clinic's victories in three cases in the U.S. Supreme Court, *Smith v. Texas*, *Abdul-Kabir v. Quarterman*, and *Brewer v. Quarterman*. April 13-

14<sup>th</sup>, he participated in the Criminal Justice Roundtable at Yale Law School. On March 27<sup>th</sup>, Steiker delivered a lecture, “Capital Punishment: Regulation, Retrenchment, and Prospective Reform” for sociology students at U.T.

On March 9<sup>th</sup>, Steiker delivered a paper at DePaul University, “The Implications of *Atkins* for the Future Constitutional Regulation of Capital Punishment,” (co-author, Carol Steiker) at a conference, “Protecting a National Moral Consensus: Challenges in the Application of *Atkins*.” On February 8<sup>th</sup>, Steiker delivered a paper, “Improving Representation in Capital Cases: Establishing the Right Baselines and Incentives to Achieve Institutional Reform,” at U.T. Law School, for the Capital Representation in Transition conference.

### **Michael F. Sturley**

On September 28<sup>th</sup>, Professor Michael Sturley delivered a paper titled “Inland Damage to Ocean Cargo: When Do the Maritime Rules Apply?” to CLE's 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Admiralty and Maritime Law Conference in Houston. In addition, Sturley and David Robertson delivered their paper, “Recent Developments in Admiralty and Maritime Law at the National Level and in the Fifth and Eleventh Circuits.”

On September 11<sup>th</sup>, he attended a meeting in Washington DC of the United States delegation to UNCITRAL (United Nations Commission on International Trade Law) Working Group III (Transport Law), which is negotiating the new multilateral treaty designed to unify the core elements of international maritime transport law. Michael Sturley is the senior advisor on the U.S. delegation.

August 20–23<sup>rd</sup>, Sturley participated in an Experts' Group Meeting convened by the UNCITRAL Secretariat. He was one of nine experts from around the world invited to help finalize the draft of a new multilateral treaty designed to unify the core elements of international maritime transport law. The Experts' Group Meeting was held at UNCITRAL's Vienna headquarters.

On July 11<sup>th</sup>, Professor Sturley delivered a paper titled “Sea Carriage Goes Ashore: The Relationship Between Multimodal Conventions and Domestic Unimodal Rules” as part of the panel on “Carriage of Goods in the 21st Century” at the Modern Law for Global Commerce Congress. The Congress, sponsored by the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law (UNCITRAL) to celebrate its fortieth annual session, was held in Vienna, Austria, July 9-12, at the Vienna International Centre.

On June 29<sup>th</sup>, he delivered a paper titled “Liability of the Carrier” at a conference sponsored by the University of Bologna (Italy) on “The UNCITRAL Draft Convention on the Carriage of Goods by Sea,” held in Ravenna, Italy.

May 1 – 4<sup>th</sup>, Sturley attended the spring meeting of the Maritime Law Association of the United States in New York, NY. Sturley spoke to the Carriage of Goods Committee on May 2<sup>nd</sup> on "Choice of Law in Multimodal Carriage after *Sompo Japan v. Union Pacific*." He spoke to the Uniformity Committee on May 2<sup>nd</sup> on "*Altadis v. Sea Star: A Lost Opportunity*." On May 3<sup>rd</sup>, he delivered a report to the meeting of the International Organizations, Conventions, and Standards Committee on the work of the 19<sup>th</sup> session of Working Group III (Transport Law) of UNCITRAL. On May 4<sup>th</sup>, he delivered a paper at the MLA's annual CLE program titled "When Ocean Cargo is Damaged in a Train Wreck."

On May 3<sup>rd</sup>, Michael Sturley delivered the Eighth Nicholas J. Healy Lecture at NYU Law School as a part of a panel of four law professors speaking on "Admiralty's Greatest Hits." Each panelist spoke on a particularly influential judicial decision. Sturley spoke on *Panama Railroad Co. v. Johnson* (1924). David Robertson served as the moderator. The biennial Healy Lecture was endowed in honor of Nicholas J. Healy, a prominent leader of the New York maritime bar and a long-time adjunct professor at NYU Law School. The papers will be published in the *Journal of Maritime Law & Commerce*.

April 16-26<sup>th</sup> Professor Sturley attended the 19th session of UNCITRAL's Working Group III (Transport Law), held at United Nations Headquarters in New York. Sturley is the senior advisor on the U.S. delegation to this Working Group, which is negotiating a new multilateral treaty to unify the core elements of international maritime transport law. He is also the Working Group's coordinator for the chapter on Transport Documents and Electronic Transport Records, which was approved during this session.

On April 6<sup>th</sup>, Sturley attended a symposium at the National Press Club in Washington, D.C., to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the birth of Lewis F. Powell, Jr. The symposium was sponsored by Washington & Lee Law School, where Justice Powell earned his first law degree, and focused on affirmative action in higher education. Sturley clerked for Justice Powell during the Supreme Court's 1982 Term.

On March 29<sup>th</sup>, he chaired the planning meeting in Houston for CLE's 16th Annual Admiralty and Maritime Law Conference, which will be held in Houston on September 28. March 8-10<sup>th</sup>, Michael Sturley attended the 14th Annual Judge John R. Brown Admiralty Moot Court Competition in San Francisco, CA. The Law School runs the Competition each year with a local host school (this year, the University of San Francisco Law School). Sturley co-authored the problem and the bench brief with David Robertson and he supervised the administration of the Competition. Next year's Competition will be held in New Orleans, March 6-8, 2008.

## Wendy E. Wagner

Professor Wendy Wagner was appointed to serve on the National Academy of Sciences Committee on “Reducing Stormwater Discharge Contributions to Water Pollution” (appointment runs from April 2007 through 2009).

She served as a panel moderator/interrogator at the Environmental Law Institute, “The Role of Regulatory Science in Tort Litigation,” Washington, D.C. in July. In May, Professor Wagner presented a paper on the “Sequestration of Science” at the Annual AAAS Forum on Science and Technology Policy, in Washington D.C.

Wagner presented “Bending Science” chapters and her new project on “Pluralism & Toxics Policy” at the Ideas and Innovations Workshop, University of Wisconsin School of Law, Madison, WI in April. In February, she was a roundtable participant on the subject of “Next Generation of Environmental Law” at University of Florida School of Law.

## Louise Weinberg

Professor Weinberg's forthcoming article, "Overcoming Dred," is now in press at *Constitutional Commentary*. Also in press is her article on "Federal Courts" for the Oxford Encyclopedia of American Legal History.

A full-page coverage of Weinberg's 2004 article, "Back to the Future: The New General Common Law," again leads off Low and Jeffries' new Federal Courts Supplement, as it did last year.

Weinberg's 2007 paper, "Dred Scott and the Crisis of 1860," was twice listed on SSRN's Top Ten download list for "CS: Civil War (Topic)," "Conflict Studies," "LCJ: Law, Politics & the Courts (Topic)," "Political Behavior Journals," "Political Behavior: Race, Ethnicity & Identity Politics," "Political Institutions Journals," "Politics of Race (Topic)," and "CS: Intrastate Conflict (Topic)." Eric Foner, the eminent historian, sent Weinberg a congratulatory email message on this article, stating, "You explain the politics of the situation very well indeed."

Weinberg was invited by the on-line *Law and Politics Book Review* to write a review of a new book on politics and the federal courts. She did a confidential read for Oxford University Press of a proposed new work on access to courts. Stanford University Press asked Weinberg to do a confidential read of a book proposal on constitutional law.

Weinberg was invited to be the keynote speaker at Temple University's symposium on "Federalism and Civil Rights."

### **Russell J. Weintraub**

On March 14<sup>th</sup>, 2005, at the invitation of the European Parliament Committee on Legal Affairs and the Internal Market, Professor Russell Weintraub addressed the Committee in Brussels. In July, the European Parliament approved a Regulation on the Law Applicable to Non-Contractual Obligations (referred to as “Rome II”), incorporating some of his suggestions.

The leading European Journal on private international law published Weintraub's comments to the European Union drafting committee. “Rome II and the Tension between Predictability and Flexibility,” 41 *Rivista di Diritto Internazionale Privato e Processuale* 561 (2005).

### **Jay L. Westbrook**

Professor Jay Westbrook presented his paper “International Arbitration and Bankruptcy” at the Annual Meeting of the International Insolvency Institute in June (with Professor Christoph Paulus). Also in June, he attended the meetings in New York of the UNCITRAL Working Group on Insolvency, Corporate Groups, as the representative of the International Insolvency Institute and spoke as Co-Chair of the Advisory Committee of the American Law Institute to the ALI Project on “Transnational Insolvency: European Principles at a meeting at Columbia.”

Westbrook organized the Third Annual Texas-Harvard Joint Conference on Commercial Law Realities, held in April at the Law School (empirical and comparative scholarship by young scholars). He presented his paper “Legal Integration of NAFTA through Supranational Adjudication” to a conference on The North American Legal System, at American University in February. In January, Westbrook presented his paper “Has the Stigma of Bankruptcy Declined among United States Consumers?” to a commercial law conference in Lanciano, Italy.