

# CONSTRUCTIVENOTICE

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### **MEET THE CLASS**



I was born in Lawton, Okla., and grew up around the University of Oklahoma until my parents graduated. We then moved to Missoula, Mont., where I grew up in the "Last Best Place" as my fellow Montanans would say. After graduating from high school, I returned to my parent's alma mater and officially became a Sooner. My degree was in biochemistry but, more importantly, I had the pleasure of watching my Sooners roll Texas three times during undergrad (that's for Shelli and Lewis). Last year I worked in

Washington, D.C., for Sen. Max Baucus, D-MT, and hope to return to the Capital someday. Why ASU? As they say in real estate, "Location, Location, Location." First, ASU has a strong Indian Law program, which is the field of law I am considering. Second, my family is just down the road. Last, coming from Montana, you can't beat 70 degree weather in the winter. On the personal side: Generally, I'm a laid back guy and consider myself open to meeting new and interesting folks. I'm a firm believer in balancing the rigors of law school with other activities besides reading contracts at midnight on a Friday. Therefore, I enjoy going out, watching a game, going to a movie, playing basketball and doing regular things people do. I look forward to getting involved with pro bono work and certain campus organizations and of course meeting all my wonderful, talented classmates.

-- Don't Burn Out, Ray Campbell (1L)

I have a bachelor's degree from the University of Wyoming in molecular biology, a master's degree from Duke University in biochemistry, and an MBA with a concentration in finance from the University of Washington. I have studied overseas for a semester in Manchester, England, and I have worked overseas for a summer in Germany helping a company start the process of



completing applications for the FDA. For the past seven years, I have worked in the legal department at Northern Arizona Healthcare Corporation, which is the parent organization for two hospitals (Flagstaff Medical Center and Verde Valley Medical Center). In the department, my responsibilities included, but were not limited to, EMTALA, HIPAA, patient guardianships, advance directive questions, policies and procedures, compliance auditing and investigations, collections, licensure, ADHS and CMS surveys. My official title was Compliance Auditor, and I obtained a Certified Internal Auditor (CIA) designation to assist me in the performance of my auditing duties. On the personal side, I am a single mom with a 7-year-old son named Conner, who is in the second grade. Conner is a very outgoing, inquisitive child, who likes to hear about interesting cases and tells everyone he meets that his mom is in law school.

-- Jerica Peters (1L), pictured with Conner on a recent trip to Washington, D.C.

### AND THE AWARD GOES TO ...

A special event, "Celebrating 10 Years of Mediation, Shaping the Next 10 Years," will be held from 9 a.m. to 11:45 a.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 19, in the Great Hall. The event is jointly sponsored by the College of Law and the EEOC. The event will include a panel discussion on mediation, a keynote address by EEOC Vice Chair Leslie E. Silverman, and a presentation to the College of the Ninth Circiut ADR in Education Award by Judge William C. Canby, Jr. The entire law school is invited. Professor Art Hinshaw notes that there will be a break at 10:30 a.m. and those needing to attend class during part of the program are welcome to drop in for either the first or second half of the program.

## A SUPREME HONOR

J. Scott Dutcher (Class of 2006) met with Supreme Court Justice Sandra Day O'Connor this summer when he traveled to Washington, D.C. to accept the prestigious national Burton Award. Dutcher, who served as a managing editor of the Arizona State Law Journal, graduated in May. He was the second ASU law student in two years to win the award, called the Pulitzer Prize of legal writing. The previous



year, Jay Prendergast was chosen. Only 15 students across the country are chosen each year. The award is given by the Burton Foundation, named for William C. Burton, a partner in the international law firm of D'Amato & Lynch, former New York State Assistant Attorney General and author of the authoritative reference Burton's Legal Thesaurus. The award was presented at a black tie ceremony June 12 at the Library of Congress with keynote speaker columnist George F. Will. Dutcher's winning article is titled: "From the Boardroom to the Cellblock: The Justifications for Harsher Punishment of White-collar and Corporate Crime."

- Photo by Steve Petteway, Collection of the Supreme Court of the United States

## AGELESS BODIES, HAPPY SOULS

Dr. Leon Kass, former Presidential bioethics advisor and one of the nation's leading experts on medical ethics, will speak on "Ageless Bodies, Happy Souls: Biotechnology and the Pursuit of Happiness" at 4:30, Thursday, Sept. 21 in the Great Hall. An open reception is scheduled prior to the lecture at 4 p.m. The lecture and reception are free and open to the public. The lecture will discuss the ethical concerns involved as biomedical technology seeks not only to cure disease and relieve suffering, but also to "perfect" human beings, overcoming our natural limitations of body and mind and improving on human nature itself. Kass is the Addie Clark Harding Professor in the College and the Committee on Social Thought at the University of Chicago and Hertog Fellow at the American Enterprise Institute. He is also a member and former Chairman of the President's Council on Bioethics. The event is co-sponsored by: Sandra Day O'Connor College of Law Center for the Study of Law, Science, & Technology; Arizona Consortium for Medicine, Science, and Values at ASU; The Barrett Honors College at ASU; Center for Biology and Society at ASU; Center for Nanotechnology in Society at ASU; Consortium for Science, Policy, and Outcomes at ASU; Department of History at ASU; and Templeton Research Lectures Series.

#### **DID YOU KNOW?**

A European conference inspired in large part by Prof. Michael J. Saks's work on the nature of and need for a paradigm shift in the forensic identification sciences will be held on September 18, 2006, at the University of Oslo (Norway). The conference is titled: "Forensic Experts in the Past, the Present and the Future: Towards a Paradigm Shift in the Evaluation of Forensic Expertise in Criminal Cases." Prof. Saks will attend and serve as one of the speakers.

#### MOOT COURT CONGRATULATIONS

Gordana Mikalacki and Erin Lister won the final round of the Moot Court Client Counseling Competition held on Thursday, Sept. 14. Finalists also included Bryan Barney, Monica Dournaee, Richard Drake, Alex Gill, Rick Nordgren, Danella Perata, Lynda Pope, Scott Seymann, David Sharpe, Liz Welsh. Many judges expressed how impressed they were with all of the participants in their respective rooms.

#### **MEDIA NOTES**

Professor Ira Ellman was recently quoted in the Washington Times in a story on "Principles of the Law of Family Dissolution: Analysis and Recommendations" a 1,187-page book published by the prestigious American Law Institute. According to the Washington Times, Ellman, chief reporter for the book, said the project came about because the American family had undergone dramatic changes and "coherence" was missing in several legal arenas. The book was written with more than a decade's worth of input from several law professors, judges, lawyers and family-law professionals to offer clarifications and recommendations in areas such as divorce, custody, alimony, property distribution and child support.

Professor Michael Berch was interviewed recently on ABC-TV (Channel 15) about the recent arrest of Warren Jeffs, the leader of a polygamist sect who was on the FBI's Most Wanted List.

#### **EXTERNSHIP ORIENTATION**

The externship orientation meeting for Spring 2007 will be held at 12:15 p.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 19, in Room 105. Judge Daniel Barker from the Arizona Court of Appeals will be attending the meeting to talk to the students about the advantages of an externship and what he looks for in an extern. All 2Ls and 3Ls interested in a spring semester externship are encouraged to attend.

### PANEL ON LEGISLATIVE INTERNSHIPS

A panel discussion on the Legislative Internship Program will be held at noon on Thursday, Sept. 21, in Room 105. Representatives from the various offices will describe the program and the selection process, including the "Round Table Interview" used in the selection process. The panel is hosted by the Career Services Office. The deadline to submit application materials to Career Services for the Legislative Legal Internship Program is noon on Friday, Oct. 13.

#### SAVE THE DATE

NCAA Senior Vice President Bernard Franklin will speak about the use of Native American mascots and imagery at a conference entitled "Pride or Prejudice: Indiana Mascots and Imagery in the United States," on Oct. 20. The conference will explore the legal and ethical implications of Native American mascots and imagery by American educational institutions. Speakers from all over the country will serve on panels about a variety of topics, including the history and cultural imagery framework, psychological and social impact of mascots, pride or prejudice and law and legislation. Invited quests include professors, attorneys, legislators, activists and members of Native American tribes. The event is sponsored by the Indiana Legal Program.

# RESERVING A ROOM USING THE REQUEST **EVENT WEB FORM**

If you need to reserve a room at the college for a student organization meeting (or for other events), you'll need to use the "Request Event" form found in the Calendar section of the college website. The information entered into this form is used for several purposes: it provides information to the room approvers, it provides information to the dean, and it provides the information that appears on both the digital display in Armstrong Hall and the Master Calendar on the website.

We have a few pointers to help you create a more useful and complete request:

- The title you enter for the event is the title that appears on the digital display and the Master Calendar, so be sure to enter meaningful information. "Meeting" is not a good title; "LASSA presents Howard Fense, Professor of Law at State College of Law, speaking on Medical Rights and the Law" or "NALSA Monthly Meeting" are good titles.
- Be thoughtful when choosing the target audiences. Don't check them all, but consider who you really are aiming to get there.
- The description you enter appears when anyone clicks an event on the Master Calendar or Room View, so it is crucial that you provide a complete description of the event. If you have a guest speaker, please give the speaker's name, title, where they are from (university, business, branch of gov't, etc.), and a short bio. Also include the title or description of the topic, the location, date and time of the event, and a contact person for questions. You can also include web addresses if you have a web page related to the event.

A PDF Help Guide is available on the college website at http://www.law.asu.edu/Calendars; click on "Requesting an Event Help Guide."

#### EARN PRO BONO CREDIT

The Civil Justice Clinic is looking for first year law students to participate in a jury selection exercise. This is an excellent opportunity to find out first hand what it would be like to take a clinical class. In addition, participants will earn pro bono credit for their participation. The jury selection exercise is Tuesday, November 7 from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. in Room 115 (the Ryan C. Harris Electronic Courtroom). Participants must also attend a half hour briefing on Tuesday, November 7 from 12 noon to 12:30. Please contact Karen Barnett at karen, barnett@asu.edu or 480,965,6487.

## FIRST YEAR STUDENTS INTERESTED IN USING A LAPTOP FOR MID-TERM EXAMS

The College of Law will offer law students the option of using laptop computers for exams. We have an agreement with ExamSoft Worldwide, Inc. to use their SofTest product to facilitate this process. SofTest provides students the ability to take an examination on a computer while locking down all other Windows applications thereby reducing the risk of violations of the student honor code. SofTest serves as a simplified word processor similar to MicrosoftWord or Corel WordPerfect and includes cut, copy, paste & spell check features. The cost for SofTest will be \$35 per student for the 2006-07 academic year which will cover unlimited exams during this year. This fee will be billed to your student account at the end of the Fall 2006 semester.

SofTest may be used on a PC. The minimum recommended system

- CPU = 450 MHz Pentium III or Industry Equal

- Drives = 50 MB of free space and one floppy disk drive
  Operating System = English versions of Windows 2000 (Pro) or XP
  (Home, Pro or Tablet PC)
- Screen Resolution must be 1024x768 or higher

You may use a Mac, but you must have the following system features:

- MacBook or MacPro laptop
- Must have the Intel chipset
  Must have Apple's Bootcamp software installed

(http://www.apple.com/macosx/bootcamp)

• Must have Windows XP installed

NOTE: The IT Department does NOT guarantee that Examsoft will work on Macs at this time. We will try to support you, but proceed at your own risk!

For detailed instructions on downloading and installing the Examsoft Softest software, go to: http://www.law.asu.edu/ExamsoftSheet.

To register and download SofTest, please go to: http://www.law.asu.edu/examsoft

Once the software is downloaded, you will have the opportunity to take a practice exam to familiarize yourself with the program. In addition, there will be two workshops regarding the use of SofTest.

First year students who want to use their laptop for mid-terms will be required to attend one of the following workshops. You must have ExamSoft installed on your laptop prior to attending the workshop.

Monday, Sept. 18 - 12:15 p.m. in Room 116 Wednesday, Sept. 20 - 12:15 p.m. in Room 116 Thursday, Sept. 21 - 12:15 p.m. in Room 116

Additional workshops will be held in November for students who do not have mid-

### WHEN THE LEVEES BROKE

The John P. Morris Black Law Students Association is hosting a two-night showing of Spike Lee's documentary: "When the Levees Broke: A Requiem in 4 Acts." The fourhour documentary will be shown in Room 116 in two sessions, at 6 p.m., Tuesday, Sept. 19; and 6 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 20.

#### FEED YOUR MIND (AND BODY)

Marianne Alcorn, head reference librarian, gathered the following information in her concern for your nutritional well-being. The Memorial Union has several places open to eat on the weekend. The new restaurant, Pitchforks is open extensive hours and serves brunch (buffet style, numerous choices) for \$6.50 and dinner for \$8.50. Starbucks and The Market in the MU are also open both days. Other establishments are experimenting with having weekend hours also. These hours may change.

1		MON - THURS	FRI	SAT	SUN
Т	CEREALITY	7am - 7pm	7am - 3pm	9:30 - 1:30pm	closed
н	EINSTEIN BROS. BAGELS	7am - 7pm	7am - 7pm	8am - 2pm	10am - 2pm
П	PITCHFORKS	7am - 9pm	7am - 8pm	10am - 8pm	10am - 8pm
н	PANDINI'S	10am - 9pm	10am - 9pm	10am - 7pm	11am - 7pm
Г	SALSA RICO	10am - 9pm	10am - 9pm	10am - 7pm	11am - 7pm
L	STARBUCKS	7am - 9pm	7am - 8pm	8am - 8pm	10pm - 8pm
н	TSUNAMI SUSHI (IN MU)	10am - 7pm	10am - 3pm	10am - 3pm	10am - 3pm
П	UNION MARKET	6:30am - 11pm	6:30am - 11pm	10am - 7pm	11am - 7pm