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Conservation Clinic Partners with Extension Service on Growth Issues

Finding realistic and equitable legal solutions to a wide range of important growth management issues—especially those that affect agriculture, green space, water resources and energy—is easier thanks to a new partnership between the University of Florida's Extension Service and UF's Levin College of Law.

The Extension Service is now working closely with the Conservation Clinic, housed in the law college's Center for Governmental Responsibility,

to promote smart growth and sustainability solutions throughout the state.

Levin College of Law Dean Robert Jerry said smart growth and sustainability are key issues in Florida, and have long been a focus of the college's environmental and land use law program as well as a number of units in UF's Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences.

"An interdisciplinary approach is vital to successfully managing these areas,

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Tom Ankersen (at back) with Conservation Clinic students studying clam aquaculture off Cedar Key.

Facing the Music? Panel to Explore Battle of iTunes v. MediaPlayer in EU

"Facing the Music? Microsoft, Apple and International Antitrust Law in the EU," a panel discussion about international businesses and antitrust issues in the European Union, will be held Thursday, Feb. 22, in the Chesterfield Smith Ceremonial Classroom (HOL 180) at the Levin College of Law, 8-9:30 p.m. This event is free and open to the public.

Students and other members of the UF community are invited to take part by the Center for International Business Education and Research (CIBER), the UF College of Journalism and Mass Communication, and the Center for Govern-

mental Responsibility in the Levin College of Law. The conversation will explore recent EU antitrust cases involving U.S.-based companies Microsoft and Apple. These cases involve competition issues concerning Windows MediaPlayer and iTunes software.

The expert panel will discuss the background and ramifications of recent rulings and the effect they will have on international business and entertainment in the 21st century. Attendees will be able to take part in a Q&A session as well, since these cases raise pertinent issues for anyone who uses

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Moot Court Final Four This Friday, Feb. 23

The top four finishers from a recent intramural competition will compete in the Moot Court Team's bi-annual Final Four this Friday, Feb. 23, at 9 a.m. in the Chesterfield Smith Ceremonial Classroom. In teams of two, the competitors will present oral arguments in front of judges from the Eleventh Circuit. The arguments are open for observation by fellow students, alumni, and faculty.

The Spring 2007 Final Four is sponsored by the law firm of Holland & Knight, and is the culmination of a five-week tryout competition, which requires interested students to write an appellate brief and then present two oral arguments before a panel of judges.

One of the foremost national moot court teams, the Justice Campbell Thornal Moot Court Team competes each year at over a dozen tournaments throughout the country. The team was founded in 1961, and was named after the prominent Florida Supreme Court Chief Justice. The team's mission is to promote excellence in appellate advocacy.



CAREER Services

APIL Summer Fellowships

Each year, APIL conducts fundraising for fellowships to assist law students considering public interest in obtaining funding for meaningful summer employment. Interested students who plan to work for a government or non-profit agency with a 501(c)(3) certificate can pick up APIL Summer Fellowship Applications in Career Services. Applications are due in CCS by March 9 at 3 p.m. and will be reviewed by a committee of law school faculty and staff.

APIL LawLawPalooza

Watch for more information about LawLawPalooza, an APIL fundraiser whose proceeds will help fund the APIL Summer Fellowship program (see above). The event, full of music, food, door prizes, and fun, is tentatively set for March 8.

Reminders

2007 Patent Law Interview Program—Loyola Chicago

At Marriott Suites O'Hare on August 2-3, 2007. Participation is handled through Symplicity. You will receive a new log-in for this program. This fair is only for students returning to law school in fall 2007. It is for summer associate and entry-level attorney positions for 2008. The only exception is for a law graduate studying for an LL.M. in Intellectual Property. For information on eligibility, registration forms and a timeline, come to the Center for Career Services. The deadline to submit registration materials and a \$35 check (payable to Loyola University Chicago School of Law) to UF Career Services is Tuesday, Feb. 27, 2007.

Florida Public Defender Association Job Fair

3Ls must submit cover letter and resume by Feb. 26. Interviews will be held in Orlando on March 2. For more information check out www.flpda.org/pages/jobfair.

Public Interest Law Week

This week, the Center for Career Services and the Association for Public Interest Law (APIL) are teaming up to celebrate Public Interest Law.

Throughout your tenure as a law student and a legal professional, you will have a host of opportunities to give back to your communities and those particularly in need. Even if your end goal is not necessarily a public interest law career, there are so many ways we as legal professionals can and should contribute to society. Whether you volunteer, do pro bono work, or participate in charity events, your legal education and knowledge can have a great impact on society.

In the words of the late Chesterfield Smith, "Be Somebody! Do Good!" Read on for specific ways to enter the public service arena and to give back.

Public Interest Programming

As a part of Public Interest Week, APIL and Career Services have coordinated a luncheon series designed to encourage and expose students to public interest opportunities.

- Feb. 20, 1 p.m., Bailey Courtroom, APIL Student Panel & CCS Information
- Feb. 21, 1 p.m., Bailey Courtroom, Practitioner Panel Presentation
- Feb. 22, 1 p.m., Bailey Courtroom, Faculty Panel Presentation

APIL and Career Services will be tabling throughout the week in the courtyard to answer specific questions about upcoming public interest events and fundraisers like LawLawPalooza, APIL Summer Fellowship Information, and Career Services Pro Bono and Community Service Projects.

Considering a Public Interest Law Career? Experience Counts, Not Just Grades

For those interested in pursuing a career in public interest law, experience and desire can outweigh grades. Public interest law employers always ask for candidates with

a demonstrated commitment to public interest law work. The public interest law community is tight-knit. Experience will help you get to know the people and the organizations. Being in the right place at the right time is key to obtaining a public interest job.

One of the differences in the public interest job search process is that jobs cannot be predicted very far in advance. Being "in" with the organization gives the advantage of being known to the organization as someone who could fill the opening, oftentimes a volunteer.

Obtaining this experience also helps you become more competent. Your resume suggests competence, but working with particular organizations demonstrates it. If you are passionate about a particular issue, having experience with related organizations can also assist in your development of expertise in the particular area. All in all, experience helps develop maturity no matter what area of law you hope to pursue.

Public Interest vs. Pro Bono

All pro bono is public interest, but not all public interest is pro bono. Public interest law is the field of law encompassing service to the people through non-profit organizations, government work, direct legal services and even policy and legislative work. Pro bono is legal work done in the public interest through volunteer efforts. Volunteering for a law firm, while a valuable experience, is not pro bono in that it does not reach the larger goal of pro bono: bringing services to an underserved or underrepresented individual or group.

UF Law Pro Bono and Community Service Projects

The CCS administers the Pro Bono and Community Service Public Interest Law Projects. The projects' mission is to help students develop an awareness of their future ethical and professional responsibilities to provide service to their community. Participation in the program gives students the opportunity to perform valuable com-

CAREER SPOTLIGHT

Jena Matzen (JD 94), Giving a Voice to the Voiceless in Durham, North Carolina

munity service while learning about the legal needs of the underserved and developing the legal skills necessary to help meet those needs. Information about the specific requirements and necessary paperwork for the project can be found at <http://www.law.ufl.edu/career/probono/>.

The Local Pro Bono Opportunities Chart found at the above web site offers suggestions and contact information for pre-approved local placements that can provide students with valuable experience in assisting with children's issues, prisoners' rights, and the general concerns of people with low income, including access to public benefits, landlord tenant issues and more.

There are also many other opportunities to do pro bono work in your hometown or elsewhere during breaks from school or, when appropriate, as a supplement to your class work.

Students should contact the legal service providers of their hometown for opportunities. If you wish to volunteer for an organization that is not on the list of pre-approved providers, the following five criteria must be met and communicated in writing to Samara Sarno (sarno@law.ufl.edu) to request approval of the organization.

1. You must be doing work that is legal in nature (Organization name? Type of work?).
2. Your work must be with a government agency, court, or non-profit organization.
3. You must be supervised by an attorney (What is his/her name? Contact information?).
4. You cannot receive pay or academic credit for your work.
5. Your work must benefit the underserved, underrepresented, or those with limited resources.

Once you devote a minimum of 35 hours of pro bono work, you are eligible to receive a Pro Bono Certificate. Should you chose to do volunteer work that does not necessarily fit all of the above criteria, you may be eligible for the Community Service Certificate.

I came to law school to gain a louder voice. While at UF Law, I researched indigenous peoples/Native American civil and environmental rights while working with Tom Ankersen in the Center for Governmental Responsibility (CGR) on his Mesoamerican Biodiversity Legal Project and while interning with the Florida Department of Environmental Protection as a CGR Public Service Law Fellow.

The impact of Hurricane Andrew (which struck at the start of my second year, devastating my hometown of Goulds) on the Everglades migrant labor camp inspired me to pursue a summer clerkship at Farmworkers Legal Services of North Carolina (FLSNC). I found the work to be wonderfully compelling and satisfying, offering a work-life balance that supported my new status as a single parent of a young son.

After graduation, despite opportunities in Mexico and Colombia, I returned to North Carolina to work as a staff attorney with FLSNC, and later with the Immigrant's Legal Assistance Project of the N.C. Justice Center. I engaged in policy advocacy and handled individual cases and class action litigation on behalf of immigrant workers and limited English proficient students in employment, civil rights, benefits and immigration cases. The work was stressful and at times infuriating, but I knew I was making the kind of difference I always wanted to make. I returned to international work in 2002 when I traveled to Colombia with Witness for Peace, a human rights group working in Latin America.



Our purpose was to witness the impact of U.S. drug policy (which is causing terrible environmental and human rights tragedies); to meet and speak with numerous governmental officials, human and environmental rights activists, religious leaders, farmers, and indigenous representatives; and then to come home and talk about it.

Upon my return from this revelatory, humbling and at times terrifying experience, I gave numerous presentations and appeared in several local newspapers to discuss what I learned and saw. Overall, I have had a wonderful career as a lawyer in the public sector. It has allowed me to do meaningful work and have a fantastic family life with my husband and three children.

Become a Public Interest Law Fellow

Are you a 2L interested in getting paid to serve the underrepresented? Apply to become a Public Interest Law Fellow. This program, funded by The Florida Bar Foundation Law Student Assistance Grant Program, pays fellows to work in non-profit or government organizations in the community. Each fellow will receive a stipend of at least \$3,500 and work from August through May of their third year. Fellows work 10-15 hours per week, write a 500-word article on an issue relating to serving the underrepresented, and organize projects to promote awareness of poverty issues and public interest law among the law school

community. Fellows must take a three-credit course in poverty law in the fall or spring semester. Applicants are invited to attend the current fellows bi-weekly meeting on Feb. 28. For more information, contact Jessie Howell at howellje@law.ufl.edu.

Volunteer Awards Ceremony—Turn in Hours

Each spring, the law school honors recipients of Pro Bono and Community Service Certificates. Be sure to have all your pro bono and community service hours reported to Career Services by April 5 to participate in this year's ceremony.

Certificate recipients will be invited to attend a brunch scheduled tentatively for April 12.

CALENDAR

of Events

Monday FEBRUARY 19	Tuesday FEBRUARY 20	Wednesday FEBRUARY 21
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Public Interest Law Week begins • CCS Program: One Quick Question, 1:45-3:15 p.m., Bruton-Geer 244 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Public Interest Luncheon Series, Student Panel & Career Services Presentation, 1 p.m., Bailey Courtroom 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Public Interest Luncheon Series, Practitioner Panel, 1 p.m., Bailey Courtroom • CSRRR Reading Group, 5:30 p.m., location TBA • Gator men's basketball vs. South Carolina, 8 p.m., O'Connell Center
Monday FEBRUARY 26	Tuesday FEBRUARY 27	Wednesday FEBRUARY 28
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • "A Series of Unfortunate Events? A Look at Race," panel discussion presented by the Center for the Study of Race and Race Relations, noon, HOL 355B (For more information, go to http://www.law.ufl.edu/centers/csrrr/events.shtml.) • CCS Program: One Quick Question, 1:45-3:15 p.m., Bruton-Geer 244 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ACS Food for Thought lecture, noon, BG 136 • UFPA presents Kris Kristofferson, 7:30 p.m., Curtis M. Phillips Center for the Performing Arts 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Grad Student Florida Blue Key Application Information Session, 6 p.m., HOL 180 • CCS Program on Alternative Careers, 1 p.m., Faculty Dining Room
<p>Celebrate Black History Month Throughout February</p> <p>To view a complete listing of all Black History Month 2007 events, visit the Web at www.celebrateblack.com</p>	Tuesday MARCH 6	Wednesday MARCH 7
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pizza with the Dean, 4-5 p.m., FDR • CCS Program on Small Firms, 1 p.m., Bailey Courtroom • Gator baseball vs. Jacksonville, 6:30 p.m., McKethan Stadium at Perry Field 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Faculty Brown Bag Lunch with Professor Diane Mazur, "Law School Engagement with the Military," noon, Faculty Lounge • ACS "Food for Thought" lecture, noon, BG 136 • UFPA presents an evening with noted blues singer and guitarist Keb' Mo, 7:30 p.m., Curtis M. Phillips Center for the Performing Arts



<p>Thursday FEBRUARY 22</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Public Interest Luncheon Series, Faculty Panel, 1 p.m., Bailey Courtroom • ICAIR Speaker Series: Sharona Hoffman, professor of law & bioethics, and Andy Podgurski, associate professor of electrical engineering & computer science, both from Case Western, noon, HOL 345 	<p>Friday FEBRUARY 23</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Faculty Enrichment Luncheon with Amy Sinden, associate professor of law, Temple University, noon, FDR • Moot Court Final Four, 9 a.m., HOL 180 	
<p>Thursday MARCH 1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Public Interest Environmental Conference Reception, 6-9 p.m., President's House • CCS Program on Career Paths in Higher Education for JDs, 1 p.m., HOL 382 • Florida Blue Key Application Information Session, 6 p.m., HOL 180 • HLLSA and Foley & Lardner LLP Reception, 6:30 p.m., Tapas 12 	<p>Friday MARCH 2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Public Interest Environmental Conference, 8:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m., Levin College of Law (For more information go to http://www.law.ufl.edu/piec/.) • Public Interest Environmental Conference Banquet, 7 p.m., Florida Museum of Natural History • ABA Student Division Law School Diversity Day 	<p>Sat./Sun MARCH 3/4</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Saturday, PIEC Conference, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. • Sunday, Gator men's basketball vs. Kentucky, noon, O'Connell Center
<p>Thursday MARCH 8</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • YLD Solo Program, noon, Bailey Courtroom 	<p>Friday MARCH 9</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gator men's tennis vs. Tennessee, 3 p.m., Linder Stadium at Ring Tennis Complex 	<p>Sat./Sun MARCH 10/11</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sunday, Gator men's tennis vs. Georgia, 1 p.m., Linder Stadium at Ring Tennis Complex
		

BRIEFS

News & Events



Thriving in a Law Firm: Diverse Attorneys Share Their Strategies for Success

The National ABA Student Division has selected March 2 as Diversity Day for law schools throughout the country.

On this day, law schools are encouraged to sponsor educational programs and events that teach and foster respect for diverse races, genders, religions, classes, sexual orientations and individuals with disabilities. This year, along with the national law firm of Foley & Lardner LLP, the Hispanic & Latino/a Law Student Association will hold Diversity Day at UF Law.

The event will consist of a panel discussion with a group of diverse Foley attorneys—several of them UF alumni—during which the attorneys will share their professional and personal experiences related to working in a large firm.

The panel discussion will be followed by an informal meet-and-greet where students will have the opportunity to ask questions and network with the Foley staff. Complimentary hors d'oeuvres and beverages will be served.

To request an invitation, send an email to the HLLSA Executive Board at ufhllsa@gmail.com.

'A Series of Unfortunate Events? A Look at Race'

A series of several high-profile incidents in recent months—from Mel Gibson's anti-Semitic meltdown to more serious cases involving the fatal undercover police killings of groom-to-be Sean Bell and an 88-year-old grandmother, Kathryn Johnston—have again brought attention to the subject of racial issues and will serve as the launching point for discussion at a forum entitled "A Series of Unfortunate Events? A Look at Race," from noon to 2 p.m. Feb. 26 at the UF Levin College of Law. The event is free and open to the public. Sponsored by the Center for the Study of Race and Race Relations (CSRRR), the event will be held in Holland Hall room 355B on the law school campus. For more information, go to <http://www.law.ufl.edu/centers/csrrr/events.shtml>.

ABA Chapter Accepting Nominations for Board

The UF Chapter of the American Bar Association (ABA) is accepting nominations for its executive board officers—president, vice president, secretary, and treasurer. This is a great chance to become involved with a national organization. Last day to enter nomination is Feb. 19 at noon. To send nominations and address questions, contact ashhop@gmail.com.

Financial Aid Reminder

Now is the time to apply for aid for the 2007-2008 academic year. Students are encouraged to apply electronically using FAFSA/Renewal FAFSA on the web since it can save processing time and has a built-in editing format to reduce errors. Go to FAFSA/Renewal FAFSA on the web at <http://www.FAFSA.ed.gov> and follow the instructions on the site. After applying, you can check the status of your application and/or make corrections online. You'll need your Federal Access Code (PIN) to complete the renewal electronically.

Public Interest Environmental Conference March 1-3

Sustainability is a concept that is sweeping the nation—from hybrid vehicles to green buildings—but as a movement it is still in its emerging stage. Finding ways to help organizations discover solutions that are both sustainable and cost-effective is the focus of the thirteenth annual University of Florida Public Interest Environmental Conference, to be held March 1-3 at UF's Levin College of Law.

Co-sponsored by The Florida Bar Environmental and Land Use Law Section and UF Student Government, this year's PIEC embraces the theme "Talk, Technology and Techniques: Game Plan for Green," and addresses the movement toward sustainable "green" design, institutions, and infrastructure. The conference is free for students in Florida. For more information, go to <http://www.law.ufl.edu/piec/>.

Scholarship Opportunity

Student who make their home and place of residence in Brevard County, Florida, or graduated from a Brevard County high school, and demonstrate a financial need are encouraged to apply for the Frederick W. & Grace P. Brecht Scholarship. The award amount is \$1,000, and applications are available in Student Affairs (HOL 164). The deadline is May 15.

Center Holds Reading Group

The Center for the Study of Race and Race Relations (CSRRR) will hold a reading group to discuss Michael Eric Dyson's *Come Hell or High Water: Hurricane Katrina and the Color of Disaster* (Limited number of books available from CSRRR for check out). The group will meet on Wednesday, Feb. 21, at 5:30 p.m. For location and more information, contact Lee Glover at lglover@ufl.edu or Melissa Bamba at bamba@law.ufl.edu or 273-0614.

Partnership to Promote Sustainability Solutions

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and this partnership with the Extension Service will greatly amplify available intellectual and physical resources,” Jerry said. “Conservation Clinic projects also leverage taxpayer dollars by utilizing the time and talents of law students under faculty guidance. The students benefit, too, by gaining hands-on, real world experience.”

“With Florida’s population expected to double in 50 years, growth management will continue be one of the most urgent, difficult and potentially contentious issues facing the state,” said Larry Arrington, dean for extension.

“The statewide Extension Service, which is part of UF’s Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences, has faced increased pressure to play a greater role in Florida environmental and land use issues, and our new partnership with the Levin College of Law allows us to better respond to these needs,” Arrington said. “Agricultural producers in the state have emphasized the need for science-based solutions to issues surrounding growth, and county government officials are also requesting more support on growth issues.”

The Conservation Clinic provides environmental and land use law services to Florida communities and non-government organizations and university programs such as the Extension Service and Florida Sea Grant College Program, said Tom Ankersen, director of the clinic. Among other projects, the clinic has consulted with local government on ordinances and comprehensive plan policies, state statutes and conservation easements.

“Demand for clinic legal services has been growing, and much of this has come through requests generated by our expanding relationship with UF’s Extension Service, which has offices in every county,” Ankersen said. “The Conservation Clinic already has an ongoing relationship with the Florida Sea Grant program to support its coastal and marine education programs.”

In the next 50 years, more than 11 million new homes – along with millions of square feet of commercial space and thousands of miles of new roadways – will be needed to accommodate the influx of residents, according to Pierce Jones, director of the Extension

Service’s Program for Resource Efficient Communities.

“In order to achieve the kind of resource-efficient growth we need, our community planning efforts require cross disciplinary collaboration with building professionals, local governments, water management districts and other agencies,” Jones said. The Program for Resource Efficient Communities works with these and other collaborators to promote the adoption of best design, construction and management practices in new residential community developments that measurably reduce energy and water consumption and environmental degradation, he said.

The Conservation Clinic recently helped draft the language for Gainesville’s Green Building Program, which is being used as a model by Sarasota and other Florida communities. The incentive-based program incorporates a variety of energy efficient construction and landscape criteria that builders must follow in order to build homes that are certified by the Florida Green Building Coalition.

Another Extension educational effort benefiting from the clinic’s legal services is the Florida Yards and Neighborhoods program, which encourages builders and developers to protect natural resources by incorporating environmentally friendly landscaping into their new construction.

Jones said the Conservation Clinic provided model language for various covenants, conditions and restrictions to help homeowner’s associations do their part to protect and conserve Florida’s water resources using science-based information generated by UF. Jim Cato, IFAS senior associate dean, director of UF’s School of Natural Resources and Environment and director of the Florida Sea Grant College Program, said the Conservation Clinic is a critical partner in both programs.

“The clinic has been working with Sea Grant’s boating and waterways management program for a number of years, and recently began assisting the Program for Resource Efficient Communities, which is also affiliated with the UF school,” he said.

Panel on International Antitrust Law in the EU

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the Internet and computer technology to send, share, download and view audio and video files. The program will be recorded for broadcast on WUFT-TV.

The expert panel will include Dr. Andrew Chin, a professor of antitrust, intellectual property, and patent law at the University of North Carolina School of Law and counsel to Intellectual Property Solutions, P.L.L.C., who also prepares and prosecutes patent applications in computer and Internet technology; Dr. Mark A. Jamison, director of the Public Utility Research Center and director of Telecommunications studies at UF’s Warrington College of Business, who served as the special academic advisor

to the chair of the Florida Governor’s Internet Task Force; Dr. Jesper Strömbäck, professor in media and communication from Mid-Sweden University and research director at the Demokratistitutet Centre for Political Communication Research, who will provide not only a journalistic point of view, but a European one, as well.

The panel will be chaired by Dr. Clifford A. Jones of the Center for Governmental Responsibility, a specialist in European Union competition law, and a visiting Fulbright scholar at the Max Planck Institute for Intellectual Property, Competition, and Tax Law in Munich. Law students will join them on the panel.

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SCHOLARSHIP & Activities

Linda Calvert Hanson

Assistant Dean for Career Services

- Participated as a panelist at the American Bar Association Mid-Year Meeting in Miami on February 9 on "Succeeding in Small Firm Employment."



Hanson

Berta Esperanza Hernandez-Truyol

Levin, Mabie & Levin Professor of Law

- Delivered the 2007 Social Justice Diversity Lecture at the Center for Social Justice and Public Service at Santa Clara University School of Law on Feb. 8. The lecture was entitled "Human Rights as an Instrument of Justice: Global Laws, Local Lives."



Hernandez-Truyol

In the News

Leonard L. Riskin

Chesterfield Smith Professor

- *Belleview News Democrat*, Feb. 9. In a story about the growing focus on meditation in law schools, he advised meditation to combat "a great deal of mental and emotional suffering in this profession."



Riskin

Michael L. Seigel

Professor

- *The Baltimore Sun* Feb. 7. In an article on Lisa Nowak, the astronaut charged with attempted murder, and the difficulty in convicting her for attempted murder, he said, "Based on the evidence that's been disclosed so far, it does not sound like a strong attempted murder-case."



Seigel



UF Music Law Conference Draws Record Numbers

Attorney and actor Darryl Cohen, center, speaks at a panel on entertainment markets at this year's University of Florida Music Law Conference Feb. 10. Cohen is flanked by fellow panelists attorney William Whitacre, left, and State Film Commissioner Paul Sirmons, right. In its fifth year of connecting musicians, lawyers, students, academics, policy makers, and entertainment executives, the conference drew its largest number of attendees ever to the Levin College of Law's Chesterfield Smith Ceremonial Classroom for a day of panel discussions examining the music business. The conference also featured a live music showcase Feb. 9 at Common Grounds in downtown Gainesville. The theme of this year's conference was "Beyond the CD," centering discussion around the music business as it relates to film, television, video games, new distribution and emerging technologies.