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UF Law Commemorates Constitution Day Sept. 19



On September 17, 1787, the 39 delegates to the Constitutional Convention signed the Constitution of the United States of America. This year marks the 220th anniversary of that event, and as part of the University of Florida's Constitution Day activities, Levin College of Law Professor Chris Slobogin will speak at noon Wednesday, Sept. 19, in the law school's Chesterfield Smith Ceremonial Classroom (HOL 180) on "The Constitution and Surveillance by the Government."

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Career Services: Student Professionalism and Employment Standards



The legal profession is built upon the highest ethical and professional standards. Legal employers are reporting greater frustration with the lack of professionalism exhibited by law students and new associates. The legal community is tight-knit and even a seemingly minor incident of unprofessional conduct can adversely impact your future. Employers may assume that a student's inappropriate behavior can transcend into the law office and their practice. The Center for Career Services (CCS) is committed to helping all law students learn and demonstrate professionalism and ethical conduct throughout law school, including during the recruiting and employment process. As a UF Law student, you are reminded to model professionalism in all of your daily interactions with classmates, law school staff, administrators, professors and work colleagues.

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Career Spotlight: Scott Atwood



Instead of following the big dollar signs, UF Law alum Scott Atwood (JD 95) says becoming a successful, happy attorney is about building relationships with others and being involved in the community. Atwood currently practices labor, employment and business litigation with Stout Walling Atwood LLC in Atlanta, and runs Scott E. Atwood P.C. in Sarasota.

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'Florida Tomorrow: The Campaign for the University of Florida' Kickoff Event Sept. 28



"Florida Tomorrow: The Campaign for the University of Florida" will kickoff Friday, Sept. 28, with events at UF and the Levin College of Law. Please stop by the law school campus for day of fun and educational activities. There will be numerous faculty presentations, and a barbecue sponsored by the Gene and Elaine Glasser Fund, open to all students, faculty, staff & alumni, from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. in the law school's Marcia Whitney Schott Courtyard. Open Houses and tours will be taking place throughout the day, as well as a Law Student Art Show in the Lawton Chiles Legal Information Center. For more details, go to <http://www.law.ufl.edu/flalawonline/pdf/kickoff.pdf>. Contact Kelley Frohlich at 352-273-0640 for more information.

Show Off Your Original Work at Third Annual Art Show



University of Florida Levin College of Law students, staff and faculty are invited and encouraged to submit pieces of their original artwork for the law school's Annual Art Show. After being reviewed by a selection committee, the artwork will be displayed on the first floor of the Chiles Legal Information Center beginning Friday, Sept. 28.

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No Time to Waste: Time Management Skills for First-Year Law Students



The fall semester is underway and the pressure of the first term is kicking in for many of the new law students. Thoughts such as, "How will I ever find time to do all of this?," and "What have I gotten myself into?" are probably on the minds of most incoming students. Although there is much work to be done, there is a way to manage stress through good time management skills. This week I will be offering a session on how to manage your time wisely. If you don't have an opportunity to attend the session, I hope, through this article, to provide an overview of how to learn stress-free productivity as well as what to do if anxiety arises.

Learning effective time management skills is an important asset for students old and new.

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Law Faculty Speak at Conferences and to the Media



Read what UF Levin College of Law faculty are speaking about at legal and academic conferences, and what professors are saying in the media about the trial of former NASA Astronaut Lisa Nowak and her attorney's plans to pursue insanity as a defense.

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Deadline Wednesday for London Law Consortium Applications

The London Law Consortium consists of six ABA-approved law schools that offer their students a culturally enriching study abroad program. The University of Iowa College of Law is the program administrator for the London Law Consortium, a study abroad program that meets in London during the spring

semester of each year. The program is open to students enrolled in the member schools. The six consortium schools are: The University of Iowa College of Law, Chicago-Kent College of Law, Indiana University at Bloomington School of Law, the University of Kansas School of Law, the University of Missouri-Columbia School of Law, and the University of Utah College of Law. In addition to the six member schools, University of Florida's Levin College of Law will be a Guest School in Spring 2008. Applications are available at the Office of Student Affairs. For a booklet on the program that contains registration information, please contact Michelle Ocepek at

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ocepek@law.ufl.edu. The application deadline is Sept. 12. For more detailed information, visit the London Law Consortium website, created by the University of Iowa College of Law, at <http://www.law.uiowa.edu/academics/london/index.php>.

Upcoming Deadlines for Externship Applications

Deadlines for Spring 2008 Externship applications are coming fast. United States Attorney's Office applications are due to the Dean's Office (264 Holland) by noon Friday, Sept. 14. All other Externship application are due to the Dean's Office by noon Monday, Sept. 24. For more information on Spring 2008 Externship opportunities, go to <http://www.law.ufl.edu/programs/externships.shtml>.

Check Financial Aid Bulletin Board for Scholarship Opportunities

For scholarship opportunities, remember to check the Financial Aid Bulletin Board located around the corner from the Student Affairs Office. An email is also sent when a new scholarship posting comes through. You will be able to download most of the applications from the website indicated for each scholarship. If the posting indicates that the application is available in the Student Affairs Office, it will be available in the rack located by the front doors of the office.

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Electronic Databases More Than Lexis and Westlaw

You know about LexisNexis and Westlaw, but the Legal Information Center (LIC) and the UF Libraries subscribe to many more databases that you may find interesting or helpful, especially if you are gearing up to write a note or a seminar paper, or working as a research assistant for a professor, or working on a research

edit for a journal or law review.

HeinOnline has every law review and journal produced by a law school, from the first issue (LexisNexis and Westlaw do not go back that far). BNA has over 100 separate publications on a wide array of legal topics (Antitrust, Corporate, Employment, Environmental, Ethics, Family, Health Care, Tax, and more). Making of Modern Law has U.S. Supreme Court Records and Briefs from 1832-1978—scanned images of the original documents.

These are only a few examples. Visit the LIC's website at <http://www.law.ufl.edu/lic/> and click the link for "Select online legal resources" for a more complete list. Talk to a Reference Librarian if you have questions (273-0723).

Legal Information Center Closed Saturday, Sept. 15



The Legal Information Center (LIC) will be closed Saturday, Sept. 15, and all Saturdays on which the University of Florida hosts a home football game (Sept. 29; and Nov. 3, 17, and 24). If you are looking for study space on those dates, most other campus libraries will be open. Bear in mind that you will not be able to park on campus, and will have to navigate large crowds.

Library West, which is UF's main library, has a beautiful new facility, with large study areas on the first through third floors, and the entire sixth floor is restricted to graduate students only. Visit their Circulation Desk (at the top of the escalators) to get your UF ID card activated for card-swipe access to the sixth floor. Library West also has study rooms similar to those at the LIC.

Holland Hall, or mail it to P. O. Box 117633, Gainesville, FL 32611-7633. Deadline is 10 a.m. Tuesday for the following Monday's issue.

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For more information about Library West and other campus libraries, including their hours and their policies, visit the UF Libraries website at <http://www.uflib.ufl.edu>. If you have any questions, contact a law librarian at the LIC at 273-0723.

Fall 2007 Class Gift Campaign Committee Members Needed



The UF Levin College of Law would not be what it is today without support from alumni all over the state and country. Now it is your chance to make a difference and leave a legacy for future generations of students.

Five committee members are needed for the Fall 2007 Class Gift campaign. Members help the class raise money for the class gift campaign, have the opportunity to network with alumni and are invited to join the Law Alumni Council (the law school's volunteer board) upon graduation. If you have any questions about the committee or responsibilities, call Victoria Rudd in the Office of Development & Alumni Affairs at 273-0640 or email ruddv@law.ufl.edu, or email Neil Patel at com99@ufl.edu.

Loans Available for Bar Exam Expenses

Are you making plans to take the bar and wondering where you will come up with the financing necessary for these out of pocket expenses? There are private loan companies who will make Bar Exam loans to students who are in their final year of law school. These loans can be used for a student's living expenses while studying for the Bar, Bar prep classes and other Bar related expenses. You may borrow from as little as \$500 to as much as \$15,000. For more information regarding these private loans you should contact the lenders directly at:

- Access Group, 800 282-1550, www.Accessgroup.org
- Key Education Resources, 800 539-5363, www.Key.com/law

Moot Court Announces Intramural Tryout Competition

The University of Florida's Justice Campbell Thornal Moot Court Team announces its Intramural Tryout Competition. One of the foremost national moot court teams, the team competes each year at over a dozen tournaments throughout the country.



New members are selected each fall from all third semester students who try out for the team. To be eligible, students must have completed appellate advocacy and be in good academic standing. The tryout process consists of writing a brief and performing two oral arguments; briefs are due Wednesday, Sept. 19, and oral arguments commence Wednesday, Sept. 26. The four best competitors in the intramural tryout will argue in front of a panel of prestigious judges at the Final Four Competition to be held Friday, Oct. 12. All law students in their second year and joint degree-seeking students with four remaining semesters (including this current semester) are invited to try out. Please note: The Justice Campbell Thornal Moot Court will hold only one intramural tryout competition for the 2007-2008 academic school year. Please join "Moot Court Tryout - Fall 2007" on TWEN for more information. If you have any questions, please contact Intramural Chair Elizabeth Faist at efaist@ufl.

edu.

Reserve Your Table Now for the Student Organization Fair

The Levin College of Law's annual Student Organization Fair will be held Wednesday, Sept. 19, 10 a.m.-3 p.m., in the law school's Schott Courtyard. Reserve your table today at the Student Affairs reception desk.

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