

News Highlights March 2019

### **Spring Forward!**

Dear friends,

We have some exciting news including a glowing employment report for our 2018 grads and recognition as the #1 Environmental Law program in the nation! Both stories are below.

These success stories are the result of our dedicated focus. Faculty, staff and students have been working diligently – with Career Services – to ensure our students' success after graduation. We've also worked to support and continuously improve our outstanding environmental law programs, as well as our other academic centers.

This newsletter is a snapshot of what's been happening on campus as we race into spring. Enjoy this news update and, as always, stop by and see us when you can.

Warm Regards,

## #1 in the Nation for Environmental Law

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Lewis & Clark Law School's Environmental Law specialty program is number one in the country according to the most recently released *U.S.* News and World Report

rankings. The law school's Environmental, Natural Resources and Energy Law is the first and leading program of its kind in the nation. It is renowned for its faculty, and the depth and breadth of its offerings. Read more...

### **Upcoming Events**

**April 3 Harpole Awards** 

April 5 Festschrift in Honor of Professor William Funk

**April 12 McCarty Society Lunch** 

April 12 Alumni & Newly
Admitted Student Reception

April 13 Preview Day for Admitted Students

May 18 Commencement

#### **Faculty Highlights**

Lisa Benjamin



Professor Lisa Benjamin has been appointed to be a member of the Compliance Committee of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC), for a three-year term from 2019-2021. Read more...

William Funk

2018 Employment Report: Close to 90%



Lewis & Clark Law School presented its 2017-18 employment statistics showing 89.89% of 2018 graduates as currently employed, or with a near-term start date, or pursuing LLM degrees or further graduate education. These stats make Lewis &

Clark one of the top law schools in the Pacific Northwest in terms of employment outcomes. Read more...

### **Animal Law Review Symposium**



The 8th Annual Animal Law Review Symposium was one of the best yet. The symposium examined the intersectional nature of the oppression and exploitation of both human and nonhuman animals, and the ways in which these dualistic systems of oppression interact to

exacerbate and perpetuate one another. Dr. A. Breeze Harper, an analyst with Critical Diversity Solutions and the founder of the Sistah Vegan Project, gave the keynote address.

Dating back to 1994, Animal Law Review is the nation's first law journal devoted entirely to the discussion of legal issues relating to animals. Animal Law Review has gained national recognition, boasting several hundred subscribers. The 25th edition will be out soon.

### **Celebrating Business Law**



Over 100 gathered at the Benson Hotel for the 2019 Business Law Spring Luncheon to celebrate the attorneys, donors, faculty and students who make Business Law one of the premier programs at the law school.

Alum Rex Malott BS '73, JD '76 was honored as the 2019 Distinguished Business Law Graduate. He spoke about the importance of business lawyers as key "problem solvers" for organizations and their leaders.

## Hannah Clements Named Wyss Scholar



On April 5, LCLS will host a
Festschrift in honor of
Professor Funk. "Festschrift" is
a German word that means "a
collection of writings published
in honor of a scholar." Scholars
from around the country will
write and speak on three areas
that reflect Professor Funk's
scholarship and teaching:
Administrative Law,
Environmental Law, and
Constitutional Law. Papers will
be published in Lewis & Clark's
Environmental Law Journal.

#### Aliza Kaplan



Professor Kaplan's opinion, "Governor should help end mass incarceration with clemency power," was published by *The Oregonian February 1*.

Meg Garvin



Professor Meg Garvin's opinion, "Marsy's Law is working as intended, protecting victims' and the public interest," was published by the *Tampa Bay Times January 30*.



2L student Hannah Clements '20 is the second Wyss Scholar to be selected from the law school. As a Wyss Scholar, she will receive a stipend for a summer

position with a nonprofit or public sector conservation organization dedicated to the Intermountain West, plus membership in the Wyss Scholars network, generous tuition assistance for her 3L year, ability to apply for a Wyss Scholars' Small Grants Program to propose professional development events, and two post-graduation payments upon entering in a qualified career position. Congratulations, Hannah!

### GEI Study Finds Renewable Energy Projects Reap Millions in Tax Revenue



Renewable energy projects provided Oregon counties more than \$120 million in direct tax revenue over the past four years and nearly \$32 million in tax year 2017-

2018 alone, according to a new study released by the Green Energy Institute at Lewis & Clark Law School (GEI). "We've known that renewable resources bring economic benefits to states and local communities," said GEI Staff Attorney Amelia Schlusser, "but this study proves how substantial those revenues can be."

Read more...

# Donald Ayer Delivers Higgins Lecture



The annual Higgins
Lecture featured one
of nation's most
respected lawyers,
Donald B. Ayer for
"The Subversive
Side of Textualism
and Original Intent."

Thanks to Professor Bob Klonoff for inviting Mr. Ayer to our campus.

### **Alumni Highlights**

**OWLS Honors Alums** 



Oregon Women Lawyers (OWLS) recognized two Lewis & Clark Law School alumni Elisa Dozono '06 and the Honorable Katherine Tennyson '84 at their annual Roberts & Deiz Award Dinner. Read more...

#### OSB;D-Sec and 1Ls Celebrate Judges



The Diversity Section of the Oregon State Bar (OSB;D-Sec) recently honored newly appointed Oregon judges who bring diversity to the bench. Of the seven judges honored, five are closely connected to the Lewis & Clark Law School. Introducing and presenting the certificates to the honorees were first year law students Jessica Gutierrez, John Harlan, Demetrius Johnson, and Amanda Haines. Read more...



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