"I invite you to share our vision and walk down the road with us toward a far more just and truly compassionate society."

- Professor Joyce Tischler -

ANIMAL LAW LEGACY PROGRAM

Create A More Compassionate World For Animals

Imagine a world where animals are safe and loved. It’s a world where animals are recognized as sentient beings and their interests respected in legal systems around the world. Animals need lawyers because our legal system routinely fails to consider their interests.

At the Center for Animal Law Studies (CALS), our legacy is to educate the next generation of animal law attorneys and advance animal protection through the law.

As a world-renowned animal law epicenter, CALS educates and trains lawyers with the most comprehensive animal law curriculum offered anywhere. CALS is the only program that offers an advanced legal degree in Animal Law and three specialty Animal Law Clinics. CALS is a nonprofit organization that is funded entirely through donations, grants, and legacy giving. Together, we can create a more compassionate world for animals.

Make plans today

To create a legacy for animals, please visit www.AnimalLawLegacyProgram.org or contact us at CALSLegacyProgram@lclark.edu.

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What is your legacy for animals?

In Jim Karani’s home country of Kenya, poachers are decimating iconic species like elephants. After receiving a scholarship to study at CALS and receiving his Animal Law LLM, Jim returned to Kenya, where he has trained over 300 judges, over 400 prosecutors, and hundreds of rangers and investigators on the best practices of handling wildlife crime cases. Lawyers like Jim are making transformational change for animals.

“By changing policy and by being in the courts, I can with the stroke of a pen, help more animals than I can physically with my own hands on the ground.”

-Jim Karani

Your legacy can be to amplify the voices of animals, by educating and training attorneys like Jim to advocate for them.

Animal Law Legacy Program

Legacy giving is easy to do, and it provides a critical investment in creating a more compassionate world for animals by sustaining our work into the future.

The most common way is through estate planning, such as by providing a bequest in a will. To provide a legacy gift to CALS in your will, include language such as the following:

“I hereby give, devise and bequeath [X amount] or [% of my estate] to the Center for Animal Law Studies, located at Lewis & Clark Law School, 1001 South Terwilliger Blvd., Portland, OR 97219, Tax ID Number: 93-038680.”

For more information about legacy giving, visit: AnimalLawLegacyProgram.org

Creating a Legacy for Animals

Lewis & Clark Law School Professor Joyce Tischler helped found and build the field of animal law starting in the 1970s, and has been a trailblazer ever since. She is affectionately known as the “Mother of Animal Law.” Having spent over 40 years practicing animal law, Joyce joined the Center for Animal Law Studies in 2019 and says that “now, my greatest legacy is teaching students to carry on the work that I started.” Humans inflict so much suffering on animals, because they are vulnerable and their interests are ignored in legal systems around the world. Donkeys are being skinned, farmed animals are being mutilated on factory farms, wildlife is being poached and their habitats decimated. Joyce’s legacy is to educate and train our smart, talented, and passionate animal advocates so they can create a more compassionate future for animals.

“Someone has to stand up for animals. Because their pain matters. Because their interests matter. And we have to do this precisely because most people choose not to.”

-Professor Joyce Tischler