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**THIS WEEK AT THE LAW CENTER**

**Wednesday, October 3**  
Classes follow a Monday schedule.

- Elder Law, T&E Society bake sale, 11:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m., café.
- Federalist Society hosts conservative lawyer/journalist Ken Klukowski, 12:30 p.m., FCR.
- Business Law Society hosts Adjunct Professor Michael Bielski, on commercializing biotechnology, 12:30 p.m., 209.
- Jewish Law Students Association *Pizza in the Hut*, 5:30 p.m.

**Thursday, October 4**  
Classes follow a Tuesday schedule.

- Women’s Bar Association Breast Cancer Awareness Day, bake sale, T-shirt fundraiser, wear pink promotion, 10:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m., café.
- LALSA/Federalist Society “Hot Topics” debate on immigration policy, 12:30 p.m., FCR/BDR. Details, page 2.
- Jewish Law Students Association *Sushi in the Sukkah*, 12:30 p.m.

**Friday, October 5**  
NY State Senator Lee Zeldin Veterans Advisory Panel meets, noon, ABR.

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**COMING ATTRACTIONS**

**Sunday, October 7**  
**Sukkot**, building closes 3:00 p.m.

**Mon.-Tues., October 8-9**  
**Sukkot**, no classes, building closed.

**Wednesday, October 10**  
Student Organization Fair, 4:30-6:30 p.m., Atrium.

- Faculty colloquium, Professor Geoffrey Parsons Miller, Director of NYU Law’s Center for Financial Institutions, 12:30 p.m., ABR.
- Judge-practitioner dinner, commercial law, 5:30 p.m., ABR.
- Phi Alpha Delta induction ceremony, 5:30 p.m., AUD; meet & greet follows, 6:30 p.m., TGI Friday’s, CI.
- SBA General Council meets, 10:00 p.m., MFMR.

**Thursday, October 11**  
Clinic/externship Open House, 12:30 p.m., Clinic Office, 1st floor.

- Convocation marks installation of Patricia Salkin at 5th Dean of Touro Law Center. Open house, 3:00 p.m., Atrium. Ceremony, 6:00 p.m., US District Court Ceremonial Courtroom.

**Sunday, October 14**  
Unemployment Action Center training, 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m., 209.

**Monday, October 15**  
Environmental Law Society meets, 12:30 p.m., 206.

- NYC Legal Aid Society Open House, 5:30 p.m., FCR/BDR.

**Tuesday, October 16**  
IL Section CA (LP 9-12) lunch, 12:30 p.m., ABR.

- APALSA outline/exam writing workshop, 12:30 p.m., 307.

**Wednesday, October 17**  
Flu shots, 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m., MFMR.

- Faculty colloquium, Professor Rodger Citron, 12:30 p.m., ABR.
- IL workshop, exam writing, 12:30 or 5:30 p.m., FCR/BDR.
- LALSA presents, “Latinos in the Law,” panel with successful Latino lawyers, 5:30 p.m., MFMR.

**Environmental Law Society meets, 5:30 p.m., 206.

**Thursday, October 18**  
Class of 1992 20th reunion, 6:30 p.m., Orchard Hill at Old Westbury Gardens, Old Westbury.

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**US AMBASSADOR BISA WILLIAMS VISITS**

Bisa Williams, the US Ambassador to the Republic of Niger, will visit the Law Center on Wednesday, October 3. Ambassador Williams is a career member of the Senior Foreign Service. She is the Chief US representative to Niger, the largest nation in West Africa, with a predominantly Islamic population of 15 million. Before her 2010 appointment, she served in postings in Mauritius, France, Panama, at the United Nations, and as the White House Director of International Organizations. She is a graduate of Yale and has Masters degrees from UCLA and the National Defense University. Ambassador Williams will be meeting with faculty, students and students leaders throughout the day. At 6:30 p.m., she will speak on “Challenges Facing Emerging African Nations,” in the FCR/BDR. The complete schedule:

- 12:30 p.m.  
  Faculty colloquium  
  ABR

- 1:30 p.m.  
  International Human Rights (Prof. Dan Derby)  
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- 4:30 p.m.  
  Meeting with student leaders  
  ABR

- 6:00 p.m.  
  Reception & Lecture  
  FCR

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**DEAN RAFUL NAMED STATE PRO BONO CHIEF**

Former Law Center dean Lawrence Raful has been appointed by Chief Judge Jonathan Lippman to oversee implementation of New York’s first-in-the-nation rule that requires at least 50 hours of pro bono legal work for admission to practice law. Dean Raful will be the “point person” in dealing with law schools, law firms, legal services providers and others who have questions about the new requirement, and will also be responsible for making sure up-to-date information is available on a website and toll free telephone number. Dean Raful will remain on the Touro faculty and will perform his state responsibilities pro bono.

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**SUDDOT CELEBRATION**

The Jewish Law Students Association will celebrate *Sukkot* with Pizza in the Hut, Wednesday, October 3, 12:30 p.m. and Sushi in the *Sukkah*, Thursday, October 4, 12:30 p.m. *Sukkot* (pronounced sue-COAT) commemorates the survival of the Jewish people through forty years of wandering in the wilderness after their flight from Egypt 3000 years ago. *Sukkot* means “booths.” The *sukkah*, the brown wooden structure on the patio behind the cafeteria, is a replica of the temporary huts, or booths, used by Jews during their exodus. A key part of the holiday symbolism involves taking meals in *sukkahs*. Celebrations often involve the “Four Species” (above left), four kinds of branches: citron (etrog), palm ( lulav), myrtle (hadassim) and willow (aravot). One explanation, among many, is that each of the four branches represents a different kind of person (the citron has a good taste and smell, the palm has a good taste but no smell, the myrtle has a good smell but no taste, and the willow has neither taste nor smell). The fact that all four are used together is said to symbolize the oneness of the Jewish people. *Sukkot* is celebrated over a 7-day period, this year, that period, this year from Sunday evening, September 30-Sunday evening, October 7. *Sukkot* is followed immediately by the holidays of Shemini Atzeret/Simchat Torah, this year sundown Sunday, October 7-sundown Tuesday, October 9. Each week in synagogue, Jews publicly read a portion of the Torah, starting with Genesis Chapter 1 and ending with Deuteronomy Chapter 34. On *Simchat Torah* (“The Joy of the Torah”) when the last chapter of Deuteronomy is completed, the reading proceeds immediately to the first chapter of Genesis, a symbolic reminder that the Torah is a never-ending circle.
**SPRING ‘13 CLINICS & EXTERNSHIPS**

Six in-house clinics and 6 externships will be offered in Spring ‘13. In clinics, students represent real clients under the supervision of experienced attorney-professors in Advanced Bankruptcy, Civil Rights Litigation/Mental Disability, Elder Law, Family Law, Mortgage Foreclosure/Bankruptcy and Not-for-Profit Corporations. In externships, students attend a weekly seminar and work in placements in government agencies, courts and private firms in Advanced Criminal Prosecution, Business & Technology Law, Civil Practice, Criminal Law, US Attorney’s Office and in Judicial Clerkships. Acceptance in a clinic or externship is by application only. Applications will be emailed to upper level students the first week in October (for look at the subject “Clinics/Externship Applications”), and are due by 4:00 p.m. Monday, October 15. To learn more, attend the Clinic/Externship open house Thursday, October 11, 12:30 p.m., Clinic Office, 1st floor. Evening students seeking clinic or externship information should contact Professor Marianne Artusio (x7090) for clinics or Professor Lewis Silverman (x7092) for externships. Clinic and externship work may also satisfy Touro’s Public Interest Requirement and count toward New York State’s new 50-hour pro bono requirement for admission to practice.

**STUDENT ORGANIZATION EVENTS**

**Federalists Host Conservative Lawyer/Journalist Ken Klukowski.** The Federalist Society will host Ken Klukowski, a Washington D.C.-based attorney, author and journalist, Wednesday, October 3, 12:30 p.m., FCR. Mr. Klukowski is on faculty at Liberty University School of Law in Lynchburg, VA and is the co-author of the national bestseller *The Blueprint: Obama’s Plan to Subvert the Constitution and Build an Imperial Presidency.*

**Federalists/LALSA Hot Topics Debate.** The Federalist Society and the Latino American Law Students Association will sponsor a debate on immigration law and policy, focusing on the recent federal regulation allowing deported deportation for young immigrants, Thursday, October 4, 12:30 p.m., FCR. Participants include Robert Martinez ’07, an immigration lawyer with offices in Hempstead and Brentwood, and John G. Malcolm, former US Assistant Attorney General, now a senior legal fellow at the conservative think tank The Heritage Foundation.

**Think Pink with Women’s Bar.** Thursday, October 4 is the Women’s Bar Association “Think Pink-Breast Cancer Awareness Day.” A bake sale, 10:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m., café will raise money for the American Cancer Society through the Touro team in the Making Strides Walk on Sunday, October 21 at Jones Beach. To sign up to walk, e-mail Nicole-Scherer@tourolaw.edu.

**TOURO BRIEFS**

**Yoga/Pilates.** The Law Center is bending over backwards to help students, faculty and staff stay fit and relaxed, with free day and evening Yoga and Pilates classes: Yoga Mondays 12:30 and 5:30 p.m. starting October 1 and Pilates Wednesdays 12:30 and 5:30 p.m. beginning October 10, all in FMFR. Day Yoga and Pilates classes by Derina Wilson, evening yoga classes by 1PTE Kristen Curley, both certified instructors. No advance registration needed, just wear comfortable clothing and bring a yoga mat.

**Free MPRE Course.** Professor Theodore Silver, a nationally known author and test preparation expert, will present a prep course for students registered for the November Multistate Professional Responsibility Exam (MPRE), on Sunday, October 21, 1:00-6:00 p.m., 209. The course, including all materials, is free, but registration is required, administration@tourolaw.edu. Last day to register for the November MPRE is Thursday, October 4, http://www.ncbex.org.

**Special Exam Arrangements.** The deadline for requesting special exam arrangements (for scheduling conflicts or disability accommodations) is Wednesday, October 17. For details, contact the Office of Student Services, x7050, studentservices@tourolaw.edu.

**Save Money on NJ Bar.** Applications for the February ’13 New Jersey bar exam are available at https://www.njbarexams.org/home. The fee, $475 for applications by November 1, goes up for late applications, to $750 by November 15, $1000 by the final date, December 15.

**REGISTER AND VOTE**

You can’t vote if you’re not registered. To register, contact your State Elections office, see http://www.usa.gov/Agencies/Local-Government/Cities.shtml. Most states also accept the National Mail Voter Registration Form, http://www.eac.gov/voter_resources/register_to_vote.aspx, which allows you to register from anywhere in the US.

It’s important that you register before your state’s deadline. Most deadlines are about 25-30 days before the election (in NY it’s Friday, October 12), but check http://www.eac.gov/voter_resources/contact_your_state.aspx to make sure you register in time.

If you are living away from your permanent address, you can vote by absentee ballot (for information on where to get an absentee ballot: http://ezvote.org). Absentee voting allows you to mail your ballot to your local election center by Election Day, this year Tuesday, November 6.

If you do not vote by absentee ballot, you must vote at your polling place on Election Day. Be sure you know ahead of time where it is and what voting hours are. Polling place locations can change, so check with your local election office, see http://www.usa.gov/Agencies/Local-Government/Cities.shtml, or use the League of Women Voters online search tool, http://www.vote411.org/enter-your-address?dest=voting-dossier#UFm-5XEmWQ to find out where and when to vote.

**SCHOLARSHIPS**

The Columbian Lawyers Association of Queens County awards 3 scholarships of $3-$4,000 to students of Italian ancestry who are Queens residents. Criteria include need, academic achievement and extracurricular activities. Deadline: November 16.

Banner & Witcoff, LTD, a Washington, DC-based intellectual property firm, offers a $5000 award to a member of a group historically underrepresented in IP law. Criteria include academics, leadership and community involvement. Deadline: January 13, 2013.

The New York Bar Foundation Elder Law Section Scholarship awards $2500 to a 2 or 3L participating in an elder law clinic or involved in other substantial efforts on behalf the elderly. Preferences are given to students who demonstrate financial need and/or have a disability that substantially limits one or more major life activities. Deadline: October 15.

For information on these and many other scholarship opportunities, contact Marie Koch, Director of Student Services & Scholarship Aid, x7050, mkoch@tourolaw.edu.

**JUDGE-PRACTITIONER LUNCH-DINNER SERIES**

The Judge-Practitioner lunch-dinner series, part of the Court Observation Program, offers 1FT-PT and 2PT students the opportunity to meet in an informal setting with some of the region’s top judges and lawyers. The series continues with a dinner on Wednesday, October 10, commercial law, with Suffolk State Supreme Court Commercial Division Justice Emily Pines, litigator Evan Gitter, Cohen & Warren, Smithtown, and former Suffolk and NY State Bar president John P. Bracken, now with Bracken Margolin Besunder LLP, Islandia; and a lunch on Thursday, October 18, Criminal Law, with Suffolk Administrative Judge C. Randall Hinrichs, Chief Suffolk Assistant DA Emily Constant, and defense attorney Anthony LaPinta. Future lunches: Thursday, October 25, Family Law and November 1, Elder Law T&E. Dinner: Wednesday, October 24, negligence/torts, Lunches are 12:30-1:30 p.m., dinners 5:30-6:30 p.m., all in the ABR. Seating is limited to the first 25 1FT-PT and 2PTs to sign up, at ccmbrale@tourolaw.edu (reservations are being taken now only for the October 10 dinner – just a few spots left).

**YOU MAKE THE CALL**

The Office of Development, Alumni Relations and Communications needs student workers for the Fall Phone-a-Thon, Monday-Thursday, October 15-18, 4:00-8:00 p.m. each day. Flexible shifts are available. This is a great opportunity to network with alumni while helping raise money for the Annual Fund. Students will be compensated for their time, and training will be provided. The Annual Fund support student scholarships, financial aid, academic programs and library enhancements. Sign-up in the Alumni Office (Room 404) or on the posters in the cafeteria and by the student mailboxes. For more: Caitlin Uhlhein, 631.761-7065, email phoneathon@tourolaw.edu.