

LSU Law

Monthly Highlights – July 2023

Important Dates and Deadlines

July 4: Independence Holiday (Law Center closed)

Welcome Notes

The Law Center officially [welcomes](#) Dean Alena M. Allen on July 1. Her email address is amallen@lsu.edu.

Norma Marsh joined the Law Center on June 12 as a coordinator on the 3rd floor, providing administrative support to Professors Church, Corcos, Lockridge, Lonegrass, Malinowski, and Sullivan. Her office is Room 329, and her email address is nmars13@lsu.edu.

Alumni and External Relations

Russell “Rusty” Stutes ('91) has made two significant gifts to the Paul M. Hebert Law Center. Stutes has endowed a gift to create the Russell J. Stutes Small Business and Community Development Clinic. The transactional legal clinic will provide experiential learning opportunities for students while promoting community-wide economic growth. In addition, he has endowed the Stutes-Kalinka Tax Moot Court Competition, bringing the competition to LSU Law permanently. The first competition will be held at the Paul M. Hebert Law Center February 17-18, 2024.

Faculty Highlights

In June, Professor Galligan spoke to lawyers and judges at the LSBA/Louisiana Judicial College Summer School about recent developments in Louisiana Tort Law—“Tom on Torts.” He also was part of a panel on Recent Developments in Admiralty with Judges Zainey and Haik and attorneys Chris Zainey and Richie Haik.

On June 21 and 22, the LSU Law Center’s Diversity and Professionalism Committee welcomed two groups of high school age 4-H participants to the Law Center and talked about law, law school, what lawyers do, and what life as a law student is like. Presenters included: Gwen Ferrell, Daphne James, Jake Henry, Blaire Boles, Darlene Goring, Tom Galligan, and rising 2Ls Taylor Guice, Bren Lauga, and Matty Zepernick. Thanks also to Isaac Clark, Luke McManus, Steve Sanoski, Jennifer Tran, and Bobbi Zaunbrecher for their amazing help.

In the first week of July, Professor Levasseur will be teaching (in English) a course on Legal Traditions for the Fondation pour le Droit Continental/ Foundation for Continental Law. This course is a required course in a three-week program offered by the Fondation and the University of Paris II. All courses are given in three languages: French, English, and Spanish.

Professors Levasseur and Davrados will be sending to Carolina Academic Press, by the end of June, new editions of two Précis: 1) Louisiana Law of Obligations in General and 2) Louisiana Law of Contracts and Quasi-Contracts. Both professors want to express their gratitude to Cia Fox for her excellent editorial work on the Précis.

Professor Christine Corcos was interviewed for and is quoted in Caitlin Mullaney's *The IRS Remains The Villain On Screen and Off*, Tax Notes, Doc 2023-17501, June 20, 2023. Also, she is the incoming Chair-Elect of the LSU Faculty Appeals Board. She will chair the Board AY 2024-2025.

At the Southeastern Association of Law Schools (SEALS) Conference in late July, Professor Roberts will present at several sessions including *Remedies for Cognizable Injuries* and *Unjust Enrichment Law, Immortal Cell Line, and the Henrietta Lacks Case*. She serves as a Constitutional Law mentor for a New Scholar. Professor Roberts also serves as the Deputy Executive Director of SEALS.

Professor Roberts's draft article, *Judicial Fidelity*, 51 *Pepperdine L. Rev.* ___, Lead Article, is now available on [SSRN](#). This article explores the unraveling of precedent in controversial constitutional cases, the *Dobbs* leak, failures to recuse, ethical shortfalls, the exercise of discretion, principled judicial reasoning, and more. In a related work that will be published with the *Loyola New Orleans Law Review Forum*, Professor Roberts engages in a fictionalized dialogue on components of judicial fidelity as part of the judicial branches' role in safeguarding democracy.

Professor Roberts published an online scholarly review, [Towards an Improved Judiciary—Decisionmaking Consistency on Constitutional Remedies](#), JOTWELL (May 16, 2023) (reviewing Katherine Mims Crocker, *Constitutional Rights, Remedies & Transsubstantivity*, 110 *Va. L. Rev.* ___, (forthcoming 2024)). She presented her draft article, [Reimagining First Amendment Remedies](#) (109 *Iowa L. Rev.* ___, Lead Article, coauthor Ron Krotoszynski), at the International Remedies Forum held in Aix-en-Provence, France, June 15-16. She is featured in the BBC Scotland Interview on the Current Affairs Sunday Show on breaking news in the latest Donald Trump civil case—exploring legal remedies and political effects. [Interview by Fiona Stalker](#) begins at the 1:41:08 mark (ends at 1:59:24). Professor Roberts also attended the national American Law Institute Conference in Washington D.C. She serves as an ALI Advisor to the Torts Remedies project.

Professor Keith Hall recently published two law review articles on carbon capture and storage. One is *Carbon Capture and Storage: Models for Compensating Non-consenting Landowners*, 14 *San Diego J. Climate & Energy L.* 39 (2023). The other is *Reconciling Property Rights with Carbon Capture and Storage*, 10 *Belmont L. Rev.* 382 (2023).

Professor Keith Hall testified on June 22, 2023, at the U.S. EPA's public hearing on the State of Louisiana's application for primacy to regulate Class VI Underground Injection Control wells that will be used for carbon capture and storage. He and six LSU Law students attended the Energy & Mineral Law Foundation's Annual Institute June 18-20, 2023, in Charleston, South Carolina.

Professor Norton will present the following in July: *Using Artificial Intelligence to Craft Compelling Human Stories*, APPLIED LEGAL STORYTELLING BIENNIAL CONFERENCE (London, 7/27/2023); and *Legal Education Implications of ChatGPT*, AMERICAN BAR ASSOCIATION, 2023 DEANS' WORKSHOP (Denver, 7/6/2023) (invited panelist).

Professors Norton and Tanner, along with Will Monroe, were awarded a teaching grant from the Association of Legal Writing Directors to create a toolkit of generative AI resources for those who teach legal writing and other legal subjects. The toolkit will focus on general principles that each professor can adapt for their own purposes, helping them to "embrace generative AI in a way that enhances rather than deteriorates their sense of competence."

Coming in August

August 7-9: Trial Advocacy Program

August 10-11: Entering Class Orientation

August 14: Classes Begin

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