Monthly Highlights – March 2024

Important Dates and Deadlines

See the complete March online calendar here.

March 1: Louisiana Law Review Symposium
March 4/5: U.S. Court of Appeals for the 5th Circuit Visit (details forthcoming)
March 6: Faculty Meeting (12:40 pm)
March 7/8: Midterm Exams – NO STUDENT EVENTS
March 20: Faculty Meeting (12:40 pm)
March 28: Reading Day, no classes (Law Center open)
March 29: Reading Day, Law Center closed

General Announcements

The Law Center welcomes Jamie Papillion to the Admissions team. Jamie is serving as a coordinator and recruiter for the Office of Admissions. Her email is jpapillion@lsu.edu, and her office is within the Admissions suite.

Louisiana Board of Regents Power-Based Violence Questionnaire: This week, the Office of Civil Rights & Title IX launched the Louisiana Board of Regents Power-Based Violence Questionnaire to all members of the LSU campus, including students, faculty, and staff. This questionnaire has been designed by the Louisiana Board of Regents with the intent of capturing your understanding of campus safety and knowledge related to the principles of power-based violence. Participation in this effort is voluntary; however, this is a wonderful opportunity to assist in building a safe environment for all. The Louisiana Board of Regents has advised that responses to this questionnaire will be anonymous and kept confidential. The questionnaire closes on March 18, 2024. Click here to take the Questionnaire. For more information, please contact Joshua Jones, Title IX Coordinator at mailto:ocrandtix@lsu.edu.
Faculty Highlights

Professor Missy Lonegrass is presenting, *Catching Up to the Common Law: Louisiana’s Modern Bona Fide Purchaser Doctrine*, at Mississippi College School of Law, Jackson, Mississippi, on March 4.

On February 23, 2024, Professor Nick Bryner is speaking as a panelist at the Jacksonville University Law Review Symposium on Environmental Law and Impacts on Coastal Communities. Also, his article, The Once and Future Clean Air Act: Impacts of the Inflation Reduction Act on EPA’s Regulatory Authority, is out in print in *Volume 65, Issue 1 of the Boston College Law Review*.

Professor Lisa Avalos was awarded the prestigious Fulbright Scholar U.S. Award to the United Kingdom. This richly deserved accolade is a testament to Lisa's outstanding scholarship in the area of sexual assault and gender-based violence, and her dedication to fostering international dialogue on the issue. During the tenure of this award, Lisa will be engaged in completing her book which examines instances in which reporting rape becomes a crime.

Professor Avalos was also invited to speak on “Law Enforcement Retaliation” at the U.S. Marine Corps Victims’ Legal Counsel Organization’s Annual Training Symposium at Fort McNair in Washington D.C. last month. Victims’ Legal Counsel Organizations are unique to the US military and provide free legal representation to military victims of sexual assault and domestic violence in the military justice (court martial) system.

Last November, Professor Avalos taught a short course, “Introduction to American Law,” at the Institut De Droit Compare Edouard Lambert, Faculté De Droit, Université Jean Moulin 3 in Lyon, France. While she was there, the Institut De Droit Compare also hosted a screening of the film Victim/Suspect, in which Professor Avalos appears. The screening was followed by brief remarks by Professor Avalos and a very lively discussion.

The Pugh Institute hosted a symposium on Gun Violence on Feb. 2. Speakers included MacArthur Fellow and Professor Jennifer Carlson from Arizona State University, Louisiana State Senator Gary Carter, George Washington Law Professor Bob Cottrol, and Albany Law School Emeritus Professor Paul Finkelman.

Professor Keith Hall spoke on “Drafting and Negotiating Instruments to Acquire Pore Space Rights for CCS” at the 3rd Annual U.S. Oil and Gas and Renewable Energy Law Seminar in Houston on February 7, 2024. The seminar was organized by the Foundation for National Resources & Energy Law and was held in conjunction with the 2024 version of NAPE, the North American Petroleum Exposition that is held each year by the American Association of Professional Landmen.

Librarians Will Monroe and Aimee Self Pittman were invited participants in the South Central Artificial Intelligence and the Future of Law Libraries Regional Roundtable on February 9, 2024, hosted by the University of Oklahoma School of Law at SMU Dedman School of Law. Aimee and Will, along with Professor Tracy Norton, participated in a full day of scenario-building to explore the risks and opportunities AI technologies present to law libraries and the field of law.
A report will be issued from the roundtable in Summer 2024 and a white paper synthesizing all 6 regional roundtables will be published in late 2024.

**Alumni Relations**

**LSU Law Online Store Reopens**

The LSU Law online merchandise store reopened for a limited sale beginning on Monday, Feb. 26 and will be open through 11:59 p.m. on Friday, March 15. The sale features new items like highball glassware sets with the LSU Law logo printed, similar to the glasses given as gifts during Trial Ad week. The store also includes t-shirts, tote bags, umbrellas, baseball caps, and more. All items are expected to be delivered by April 30, though some items may ship earlier. Use the password *lsulawspring24* to access the online store at promoplac.com/lsulaw.

**LSU Law Expands Email Listings**

LSU Law email subscribers can now update their preferences to receive periodic emails on academic news and upcoming events at LSU Law regarding specific topics like energy and environmental law, civil and comparative law, and tax and estate law. The external relations team asks its colleagues to encourage their peers to sign up for the new email lists to expand outreach efforts. Click here for the sign-up link.

**Coming in April**

April 10: Faculty Meeting
April 19: Classes End
April 23: Exams Begin
April 24: Faculty Meeting

**Helpful Resources**

- LSU Law Monthly Highlights on the web: [LINK](#)
- Law Center Building and Library Hours: [LINK](#)
- Law Center Academic Calendar: [LINK](#)
- Course Schedules and Classroom Assignments: [LINK](#)
- The official University Holiday Schedule (PM-5): [LINK](#)
- LSU Law News -- [LINK](#)

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