

Faculty Focus

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PUBLICATIONS



Alan Weinstein published *Commentary: Justice John Paul Stevens – His Take on Taking/*, 62 PLANNING & ENVTL. LAW No. 10 (2010).

Kevin O’Neill has signed a contract with Congressional Quarterly Press to contribute articles to a forthcoming reference work, ENCYCLOPEDIA OF THE FOURTH AMENDMENT, which will be published in 2012.

Candice Hoke will contribute a chapter to the ABA's AMERICA VOTES! anthology.

Candice coauthored an article (with Matt Bishop), *Essential Research Needed to Support UOCAVA-MOVE Act Implementation at the State and Local Levels*, that was posted on SSRN.

Dena Davis published *The Ambiguous Effects of Tort Law on Bioethics: The Case of Doctor-Patient Communication* in the JOURNAL OF CLINICAL ETHICS.

Steve Steinglass’ article on *The Nuts and Bolts of Removal* was published in the November issue of the BAR JOURNAL OF THE CLEVELAND METROPOLITAN BAR ASSOCIATION.

Milena Sterio signed a book contract with Routledge Publishers. Her book’s tentative title is THE RIGHT TO SELF-DETERMINATION UNDER INTERNATIONAL LAW: “SELFISTANS,” SECESSION AND THE GREAT POWERS’ RULE, and the estimated completion date is early 2012.

Kermit Lind will publish *Nuisance Abatement Litigation in the Mortgage Crisis* in the SUFFOLK LAW REVIEW.



ON THE PODIUM



Gwendolyn Majette participated in an online symposium from October 12 to 14, 2010. She discussed the book THE FRAGMENTATION OF THE U.S. HEALTH CARE, edited by Einer Elhauge. The symposium was sponsored by the blog Concurring Opinion and the Petrie-Flom Center for Health Law and Policy at Harvard Law School. You can view the symposium at <http://www.concurringopinions.com/?s=fragmentation>. Gwen’s post on

Changing Payment Policy to Improve Quality and Reduce Fragmentation: The Medical Home Concept is near the bottom.

On November 12th, **Steve Steinglass** delivered a presentation on *Removal Actions* at the 2010 Advanced Federal Practice Program, sponsored by the Federal Bar Association for the Northern District of Ohio Chapter.

Alan Weinstein presented *Development, Redevelopment and the Law* at the APA-Ohio Planning & Zoning Workshop in Cleveland on October 29, 2010.

Alan also presented *The Regulation of Signage: Guidelines for Local Regulation of Digital On-Premise Signs* at the National Signage Research and Education Conference at the University of Cincinnati on October 14, 2010.

Lolita Buckner Inniss was invited to present *Aging as a Feminist Concern* at the Feminism and Legal Theory Workshop at Emory University in January 2011.

Mark J. Sundahl was the co-coordinator of the 53rd Annual Colloquium on the Law of Outer Space, which took place during the week of September 27th in Prague. He also presented a paper at the colloquium entitled *The Expansion of Private Activity in Space and its Impact on the Development of the International Law of Outer Space*.

Milena Sterio moderated a panel at the International Criminal Court and Its Future symposium at Case Law School on November 11. The panel, entitled *Consequences of Kampala: The United States and the International Criminal Court*, featured Professor Michael Scharf of Case Law School and Donald Ferenz, Director of the Planethood Foundation.

Dennis Keating spoke at the annual Association of Collegiate Schools of Planning Conference in Minneapolis (October 7-10) regarding the Cuyahoga County Land Bank. Dennis also participated in panels on Livable Cities and Responses to the Foreclosure Crisis.

Dennis spoke on October 17 about *Inner Ring Suburbs* at the Community Forum of the First Unitarian Church in Shaker Heights.

On October 29, **Dennis** spoke about *Responses to the Foreclosure Crisis* by the City of Cleveland, Cuyahoga County and community groups at the annual statewide Fair Lending Conference.

Dennis also initiated and helped to organize the "Just City" Forum on October 29 at the Levin College.

On October 12, **Kevin O'Neill** spoke to a Democratic Party organization in Cleveland on several First Amendment topics: (1) the U.S. Supreme Court's *Citizens United* decision and its connection to the current flood of political advertisements; (2) a July

2010 decision by the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit striking down Kentucky's ban on certain statements by judicial candidates (statements identifying the candidate's political party affiliation and statements soliciting campaign contributions); and (3) August 2010 amendments by the Ohio Supreme Court to the rules governing statements by judicial candidates in Ohio, bringing Ohio's rules into conformity with the Sixth Circuit's ruling.



Jonathan Witmer-Rich was quoted in the Sunday, September 28, issue of the *PLAIN DEALER* on federal delayed-notice search warrants. See http://blog.cleveland.com/metro/2010/09/federal_investigators_used_del.html.

Jonathan appeared on Channel 19 on October 18 regarding the corruption case against Cuyahoga County Commissioner Jimmy Dimora. See [http://www.woio.com/global/video/popup/pop_playerLaunch.asp?vt1=v&clipFormat=flv&clipId1=5207915&at1=News&h1=Cash-Strapped Jimmy Dimora to Taxpayers: Pay For My Lawyers&flvUri=&partnerclipid=](http://www.woio.com/global/video/popup/pop_playerLaunch.asp?vt1=v&clipFormat=flv&clipId1=5207915&at1=News&h1=Cash-Strapped+Jimmy+Dimora+to+Taxpayers+Pay+For+My+Lawyers&flvUri=&partnerclipid=)

Jonathan also appeared on October 19, on Channel 19, regarding the corruption case. See [http://www.woio.com/global/video/popup/pop_playerLaunch.asp?vt1=v&clipFormat=flv&clipId1=5211345&at1=News&h1=Outrage over Jimmy Dimora's Demand That Taxpayers Pay for His Corruption Trial Lawyers&flvUri=&partnerclipid=](http://www.woio.com/global/video/popup/pop_playerLaunch.asp?vt1=v&clipFormat=flv&clipId1=5211345&at1=News&h1=Outrage+over+Jimmy+Dimora's+Demand+That+Taxpayers+Pay+for+His+Corruption+Trial+Lawyers&flvUri=&partnerclipid=)

Lolita Buckner Inniss helped celebrate the 50th anniversary of the publication of *To Kill a Mockingbird* on Around Noon with Dee Perry on WCPN on Monday, October 11. You can listen to the broadcast here: <http://www.wcpn.org/WCPN/an/32346>

Patricia Falk's work on *Rape by Fraud* was featured prominently in a Youtube video Rape by Deception (or "Caveat Amator!"), which you can view at http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_oPhiAtLPUC



DID YOU KNOW



Chris Sagers is drafting an amicus brief to the 8th Circuit on behalf of the American Antitrust Institute in a case called *FTC v. Ovation Pharmaceuticals*. Although the counsel of record is AAI Director of Advocacy Rick Brunell, Chris will be on the brief, which will be filed in late December.

Chris has also been made a fellow of a new institute—Center for Law, Economics and Finance—at George Washington Law School. (C|M|LAW faculty alum Pat McCoy is also a fellow of the new institute.)

Mark J. Sundahl was recently appointed to the Board of Directors of Replay for Kids, a non-profit organization of volunteers who repair and adapt toys for children with disabilities.

Karin Mika has been made co-website administrator for the AALS Section on Legal Writing, Reasoning, and Research.

Dena Davis has accepted invitations to serve on the Merck Ethics Advisory Board; the Stem Cell Research Oversight committee at CWRU, and the International Editorial Advisory Board of Routledge Press's Genetics & Society book series.

Heidi Gorovitz Robertson was appointed to the Board of Trustees of Progress with Chess, a non-profit organization that promotes and provides chess education for urban school children.

C|M|LAW's externship program was featured in the LORAIN MORNING JOURNAL. See *Aspiring lawyers are getting their first taste of courtroom drama at Lorain City Hall*. The Lorain Law Department has created a new legal externship for law students at Cleveland-Marshall College of Law and also legal assistant students from the Ohio Business College. For more of this story, see <http://www.morningjournal.com/articles/2010/09/29/news/mj3398701.txt>



OUR STUDENTS SHINE



With the recent publication of his first novel *THE UNDERGRADS: POWERS THAT BIND*, our own 2L **Matthew Hebebrand** may be on his way to becoming the next Scott Turow. His book is available online at <http://www.halopublishing.com/bookstore/The-Undergrads-Powers-that-Bind>. Let us all show our support for the arts.

Our Moot Court team continues to dominate in appellate court competitions. The Nationals team—**Stan Ball, Mona Ma, and Jill Murphey**—was a Regional Quarterfinalist in the competition held in Toledo this weekend. Nationals Team members—**Michael Jagunic, Kevin Marchaza, and Samantha Vajskop**—mentored by the law firm of Baker & Hostetler, placed first in the same competition. The team also won the award for best brief and will travel, in January, to New York City to compete against the top 28 schools in the country in the National Moot Court Competition sponsored by the New York City Bar Association.

Aleksandra Stankovic'10 had an article, *Guilty Until Proven Guilty: Rule 61 of the ICTY*, published in the current issue of *TOURO INTERNATIONAL LAW REVIEW*. The article can be accessed here: <http://www.tourolaw.edu/ILR/?pageid=409>

Brian Demeter was awarded an Honorable Mention in the prestigious Tannenwald Foundation for Excellence in Tax Scholarship's student writing competition. Brian's paper was nominated for this competition by Debby Geier and was selected for Honorable Mention from a field of 58 submissions by JD and LL.M tax students from around the country.

