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Featured Hall of Fame Honorees

Each of our **2022 Hall of Fame Honorees** will be featured in an issue of the CSU C|M|LAW newsletter leading up to the **Induction Celebration** on Friday, November 4. Meet five of the honorees below who share what CSU C|M|LAW means to them.

Judge Christopher A. Boyko

Class of 1979
Senior Judge, United States District Court for the Northern District of Ohio

"Cleveland-Marshall College of Law was the gateway and foundation for a career leading up to the greatest job in our country. A heartfelt thanks to all those at C|M|LAW who made this journey possible."

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Anthony J. Coyne

Class of 1987
President and Managing Partner, Mansour Gavin LPA

"I learned to be a practicing lawyer. It's that straight forward at C|M|LAW. At C|M|LAW, you don't simply receive an ivory tower education in law; it's more than that, you learn what it means to represent the rights of everyday citizens. I will always value that part of my education at C|M|LAW."

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Sarah C. Flannery

Class of 2002
Partner, Thompson Hine LLP

"C|M|LAW represents opportunity. The part-time program, location in the city, and scholarship opportunities provide an accessible legal education. The additional wrap around services that the law school and university community provide show a genuine commitment to support student success. I was the first in my family to pursue a law degree. My grandfather worked as a window washer at Terminal Tower, and I now have the privilege of being a partner of a national law firm looking out at Terminal Tower from my office window—all because of the educational opportunities I was able to pursue."

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Judge Sean C. Gallagher

Class of 1989
Administrative Judge, Ohio Court of Appeals for the Eighth District

"As the son of an immigrant family, Cleveland-Marshall meant opportunity. The opportunity for a career in law that would have been impossible to achieve for someone from my background and family history in any other setting."

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Professor Emeritus Louis B. Geneva

Associate Professor (Retired), CSU Cleveland-Marshall College of Law

"I frequently say I have been blessed my whole career in having the opportunities C|M|LAW provided me to learn and share information that helps individual lawyers use tax law to benefit themselves and their clients. I have always been in a situation where people need my knowledge and experience, but in a way that allowed me to totally enjoy my family and the law students that I have come to know. It continues to this day, every time I go out — former students share with me what I have presented to them that has been useful in their careers."

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CSU C|M|LAW to Co-Host Film Festival

The law school is pleased to partner with the CSU School of Film and Media Arts to present a 3-day film festival, "***All Rise: A Festival of Law and Film***" The event is made possible by generous support from **Lee and Ageleke Zapis** and will feature a diverse selection of films ranging from documentaries to narrative, as well as special guest panels.

Screenings and events are free.

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Upcoming Public Lectures & CLE Events

Criminal Justice Forum: Ruined: Language Use and Choice by Judges at Sentencing in Rape and Sexual Assault Cases

Thursday, September 29 • 5:00 p.m.
Moot Court Room

Judges play a critical role in one of the most important states of a criminal case's adjudication—sentencing. While there have been substantial limitations placed on the discretion judges can exercise in devising punishments, there are little to none on what judges say at such hearings when articulating their rationales for the sentences they impose on convicted defendants. In her lecture, Professor Romero will examine the language judges use when sentencing defendants convicted of rape, sexual assault, and sexual abuse that describes victims of those crimes and the harms they have sustained, especially language that describes victims as "ruined," "broken," or "destroyed." Professor Romero argues that the use of such language, while apparently meant to be empathetic, only serves to uphold misogynistic understandings of rape and sexual assault and actively harms victims. Judges trying to justify harsh sentences for defendants convicted of sex crimes also engage in shaming and exploitation of victims when saying that defendants have left victims "ruined" at sentencing.

Guest Speaker

Maybell Romero, Felder-Fayard Associate Professor of Law at the Tulane University School of Law

1 free hour CLE pending

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Cleveland State Law Review Symposium: The Future of the Fourteenth Amendment: Autonomy and Equality Post-*Dobbs v Jackson*

Friday, October 21 • 9:45 a.m.
Moot Court Room

Following two online symposiums, *Cleveland State Law Review* returns to an in-person format. The Symposium brings students, attorneys and leading legal scholars from all over the country to discuss the timely and important topic of the future of our rights and equality after the *Dobbs v. Jackson* decision overruled *Roe v. Wade* and the right to terminate a pregnancy. The event will include a keynote address by **Professor Kim Forde-Mazrui**, director of the Center for the Study of Race and Law at University of Virginia School of Law, and four-panel set covering the constitutional interpretation of the Fourteenth Amendment, critical perspectives on equality and autonomy, and the effects of *Dobbs v. Jackson*. In addition to this important discussion, we will also highlight the relationship between the protection of rights, art, and activism with our first art exhibit, as well as a panel discussing the role that art plays in the law.

CLE credit participants - $75
Non-CLE credit participants - $25
CSU Students, Faculty & Staff - Free

5 hours CLE pending

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Living Justice Podcast

In episodes 2 & 3 of **Dean Lee Fisher's** "Living Justice. Living Leadership" podcast, Dean Fisher was joined by **former Ohio Governor Robert A. Taft II**.

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WKYC Revisits King Charles III's Visit to CSU C|M|LAW

WKYC Cleveland looked back at newly coronated King Charles III's 1977 visit to CSU that included a dedication of our law school building. **Professor Emeritus David Forte**, **Professor Emeritus Steven Lazarus**, and **Jack Kilroy '77** were all in attendance for King Charles' speech and were interviewed in the article.

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Prof. Green Honored by Equality Ohio

Professor Matthew Green was honored as the first recipient of "Legal Advocate for Equality Ohio," for his service and commitment to LGBTQ+ humility in the legal field.

Prof. Laser Cited by Apple in Supreme Court Petition

Professor Christa Laser's law review article, "The Scope of IPR Estoppel," was cited by Apple in its petition asking the Supreme Court to intervene in its $1 billion legal dispute with CalTech.

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Prof. Chien Published on Progressive Prosecutor Movement

Professor Steven Chien co-authored an article published in the *Howard Law Journal*. The article explores the "progressive prosecutor" movement. Using data from the Law School Survey of Student Engagement, the article investigates the importance of student motivations for attending law school and the connections to students' career aspirations – in particular, the expectation of working as a prosecutor.

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Prof. Sterio Presented and Wrote on the Ukraine Conflict

Professor Milena Sterio co-authored a blog post on the topic of "The War in Ukraine and the Legitimacy of the International Criminal Court" on Just Security, one of the most prominent blogs dedicated to discussions of

national security law and international law.

Professor Sterio also participated in a series of virtual trainings for Ukrainian government officials and civil society organizations' representatives on international criminal law, transitional justice, and human rights documentation. The trainings were organized by the Public International Law and Policy Group.

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Prof. Mika Published on Obergefell, Storytelling, and Legal Writing Pedagogy

Professor Karin Mika has published an article, *Obergefell v. Hodges—and the Use of Oral Argument and Storytelling to Reinforce Competencies in the Legal Writing Classroom*. The article describes how having first year students listen to Supreme Court arguments on meaningful contemporary legal issues reinforces skills learned in Legal Writing and humanizes the otherwise mundane task of learning legal analysis.

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2021 Ethics Seminar with Kegler Brown
2.75 Professional Conduct CLE Hours

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Personal Injury: PI in a Box
3.0 General Credit CLE Hours

Register

Civil, Criminal and Traffic Rules Update: What You Need to Know in 2021
2.0 General Credit Hours and 1.0 Professional Conduct Credit Hour

Register

The Hopes and Hold-Ups of Immigration Law: A New Administration and the Effects of a Pandemic
1.0 General Credit CLE Hour

Register

The Home Construction Project
3.0 General Credit CLE Hours

Register

Revisiting the Calls for Equality in the Criminal Justice System and Ohio's Path Forward
2.0 Professional Conduct Credit CLE Hours

Register

Record Sealing Update: An Overview of the Big Changes in Ohio's Expungement Law
1.0 General Credit CLE Hour

Register

Modern Issues in Divorce; Custody, Support and Finances
2.0 General Credit CLE Hour

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Lawyers on Nonprofit Boards
1.0 Professional Conduct Credit CLE Hour

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