Living Justice Day to Replace 2020 Hall of Fame Ceremony on November 6

We have made the difficult but necessary decision to postpone the November 6, 2020 Hall of Fame event until October 2021 because we don’t think it is fair to our 2020 Hall of Fame honorees not to have an in-person celebration. While we could put together a virtual event, we don’t think a virtual ceremony would be nearly as an engaging and meaningful way to honor our honorees.

Since the Hall of Fame event is our only fundraising event of the year, we have decided to hold an important but less complicated virtual event in its place on November 6 focused on equal, social, and racial justice scholarships and initiatives. Living Justice Day will help provide support to our students as they pursue our mission - now more critical than ever - to Learn Law. Live Justice.

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CSU C|M|LAW Appellate Practice Clinic Secured Victory in the Sixth Circuit Court of Appeals.
CSU Cleveland-Marshall College of Law's Appellate Practice Clinic secured an impressive victory in the United States Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit to allow the introduction of new evidence in a 24-year old murder case. Appellate Practice Clinic students Brittany May, Susan Oates, Jared Thomson and Lauren Wazevich worked on the Opening Brief and the Reply Brief while Professor Doron Kalir supervised the work and served as Counsel of Record.

"I went to law school wanting to help others, so it is extremely satisfying to be able to help someone, especially in this case where it is most needed," said Jared. "I wanted to work on real cases in the Clinic, assisting real clients and learning the ins and outs of appellate lawyering. This case wound up being so much more than that, going beyond what I hoped to experience in the Clinic."

The CSU C|M|LAW Appellate Clinic represented John Lowery, who is serving a life sentence after he was convicted of murder and attempted murder in 1998 for a shooting that occurred in Knoxville, Tennessee.

CSU C|M|LAW Develops Interdisciplinary Course on Justice, Equity, Diversity, Inclusion (JEDI)

As part of CSU Cleveland-Marshall College of Law's Call to Action to end racism and injustice, Dean Lee Fisher developed and is teaching a first-of-its-kind interdisciplinary course, Justice, Equity, Diversity, Inclusion (JEDI).

"This is a moment that demands a clear understanding of racism, injustice, and discrimination and what we can do to fight and eradicate it," said Dean Fisher. "It is..."
important for us to learn how we got here and how systemic racism is more than individual acts of meanness. We all need to be JEDI practitioners."

Utilizing lectures from and discussions with over 20 faculty throughout the University, this new course explores the roots of structural racism, examines some of its various manifestations in the U.S. legal system, and examines proposals to eradicate it. A variety of topics will be examined through a justice, equity, diversity and inclusion (JEDI) lens: systemic racism and classism, segregation, implicit bias, the history of slavery, police reform, search and seizure, voting rights, hate crimes, employment discrimination, environmental justice, workplace diversity, health equity and disparities, segregation, housing, civil disobedience, human rights, gender inequity, and LGBTQ rights.

Just weeks into the course's inaugural (online synchronous) offering, enrolled students are already seeing the value in examining JEDI values from a number of perspectives. "The way each speaker thus far has framed their presentation differently has already helped me see that there is no single way to approach JEDI topics and no single way to incorporate JEDI lessons into my life," said CSU C|M|LAW 2L student Lucy Richman. 

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Online Cybersecurity & Privacy Protection Virtual Conference
September 17-18, 2020
8 hrs CLE credit pending

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Universal suffrage in the United States has been a journey—one that we are still on. Although the outright prohibitions on voting for particular groups are no longer in our Constitution or statutes, as a practical matter, impediments to voting remain. That is particularly true for persons of color. This presentation will explore the legal history of those prohibitions, the efforts to remove them, and the impediments that remain.

Moderated by **CSU C|M|LAW Dean Lee Fisher**. Panelists include:

- **Charesha Barrett**, Founder and President, CHARP EDucation Consulting
- **Brian Glassman**, Professor of Law, CSU C|M|LAW
- **Kayla Griffin '14**, Ohio Campaign State Director, All Voting is Local
- **Allegra Lawrence-Hardy**, Legal Counsel of Fair Fight Action

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**Prof. Sterio Co-Authored Book on Post-Conflict State Building**

Prof. Majette Consults with Congressional Staff on Health Disparities with Seniors

Professor Gwendolyn Majette spoke with staff of the United States Senate Special Committee on Aging about the issue of health disparities with seniors.

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Prof. Sagers Quoted by Forbes on Athletic Spending

Professor Chris Sagers was quoted by Forbes on the antitrust concerns surrounding the idea of capping the salaries of college coaches.

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Prof. Geier Interviewed on The Sound of Ideas

Professor Deborah Geier appeared as a guest on WCPN's The Sound of Ideas to discuss the August Executive Order regarding optional payroll tax deferral.

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CMLAA Unveils New Website

The Cleveland-Marshall Law Alumni Association (CMLAA) recently launched its new website, cmlaa-csuohio.org. The user-friendly website was designed to provide CMLAA membership easy access to the CMLAA's most requested content - Continuing Legal Education, Annual Recognition Luncheon, Scholarship & Giving and more. The website will serve as a touch point for connecting alumni with CMLAA social media, providing information on upcoming events and as a platform for updating contact information with the CMLAA and CSU C|M|LAW.

Visit cmlaa-csuohio.org

<< NEW RESCHEDULED DATE: THURSDAY, MAY 27, 2021 | 12:00 P.M. >>

ANNUAL RECOGNITION LUNCHEON
The CMLAA has rescheduled the 2020 Annual Recognition Luncheon (ARL) to Thursday, May 27, 2021 at Noon at the Renaissance Downtown Cleveland Hotel. Doors open at 11:30 A.M.

The honorees are Tim L. Collins '85 and Justice Michael P. Donnelly '92

Support the Cleveland-Marshall Law Alumni Association and its scholarship fund by securing your sponsorship, ad or ticket by registering at: cmlaa-csuohio.org/arl

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