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Dear Haub Law Community,

As the year's end approaches, I wanted to thank you all for your hard work and commitment to staying healthy during this very challenging time. In August, we reopened our campus and began the fall semester resuming our academic program as the COVID-19 pandemic continued. Then last month, we returned to all remote learning until the end of the semester, and in February we intend to resume our mix of remote, in-person and hybrid courses.

I want to say how grateful I am for the efforts every member of our community has made during the fall semester. We know that COVID-19 is unpredictable and will continue to require our commitment to the safety of our community. Our process of continuing University operations in

these circumstances has not been perfect, and I appreciate your patience as we continuously reviewed information we received from the Department of Health and New York State and adjusted our response accordingly. I want to offer a special thanks to our first-year students, who faced unforeseen challenges as you began your law school career during the pandemic. None of this has been easy for anyone, academically or personally, yet you persevered and even flourished!

I also want to thank those who have taken the time to communicate with me during the semester, and I hope you continue to do so. Feedback is critical to our understanding of student and community needs, and we share a common commitment to keeping our community healthy and safe. We finished fall semester safely because we were able to work together. We can't know how the pandemic will affect our spring semester, but your spirited commitment to Haub Law gives me confidence that we'll get through it together also.

I wish each of you the best as we enter the holidays, and I hope you enjoy a well-deserved winter break. I look forward to welcoming you to the Spring 2021 semester, eventually in-person.

Dean Anderson

Faculty, Staff, & School News

The Fall 2020 Westchester Bar Journal published numerous tributes to the late Henry Miller, including those by **Dean Emeritus Richard L. Ottinger, Professor Emeritus Jay Carlisle, alumnus Hon. Philip M. Halpern '80, alumnus Anthony Pirrotti '90, alumna Angela Giannini '88, and alumna Lucille Fontana '81** – read them [here](#).

Adjunct Professor and 1984 alumnus Anthony Centone's article *The Evolution of CPLR section 3101(a)(4): From "Adequate Special Circumstances" to Simple "Notice" for Non-Party Disclosure* was published in the Fall 2020 Westchester Bar Journal – read [here](#).

Professor Bennett Gershman's article *Making a Mockery of Supreme Court Jurisdiction* was published in the New York Law Journal – read [here](#).

Professor Randolph McLaughlin was invited to be a panelist in an upcoming online CLE program hosted by Touro Law Center on *Current Issues in Civil Rights*. The panel discussion will take place on January 21, 2021, at 10:30 a.m. via Zoom.

Professor Michael Mushlin was quoted in the article *Decriminalization Is the Answer to the Devastation the War on Drugs Had on Families* – read [here](#).

On Human Rights Day, December 10, 2020, Professor Nicholas Robinson lectured in three different panels. The first was part of the ASIA-PACIFIC JUDICIAL CONFERENCE ON CLIMATE CHANGE: ADJUDICATION IN THE TIME OF COVID-19, Professor Robinson's lecture was titled *Averting Pandemics and Enhancing Ecosystem Resilience: Applicable Legal Frameworks*. The second was organized by CHARLES III UNIVERSITY OF MADRID, on the theme of *Humans Rights and the 50th Anniversary of the 1972 UN Conference on the Human Environment*. He spoke on the contributions that the International Council of Environmental Law has made for expanding human rights to include environmental rights. The third lecture was delivered as part of a conference in France on Human Rights Day. His lecture was *Human Rights in the Community of Life*. Read more [here](#).

Professor Nicholas Robinson and Dean Emeritus Richard Ottinger write about the prospects and imperatives of climate change mitigation in the December issue of Westchester Lawyer Magazine. "Disruptions flowing from global warming cannot be stopped, but their severity can be mitigated, and with adaptive management we can learn how to live sustainably," they write. Click [here](#) to read more (beginning on page 12).

Professor Darren Rosenblum's article *When The State Levies Fines on Feminism* was published in Forbes – read it [here](#).

Pace Women's Justice Center volunteer, Anne Sargent Arcano, will be awarded the NYSBA Empire State Counsel Outstanding Pro Bono Volunteer Award on January 21, 2021 at the Annual Justice for All Awards Ceremony at the NYSBA Annual Meeting. Arcano provides quality legal assistance, guidance, referrals and representation through the Pace Women's Justice Center's Pro Bono Program. As a PWJC pro bono attorney for the past four years, Arcano not only has positively affected the lives of hundreds of victims and survivors of domestic violence, sexual assault, and elder abuse by helping our clients find a pathway to safety and start the new chapter in their lives, she also been a valuable colleague and mentor to our newer volunteers and law students.

Students

Olivia Brenner published *The Harm of Death: The Conceptualizations of Harm in End of Life Issues* in the Fall 2020 Westchester Bar Journal. Read [here](#).

Marissa B. Cohen and **Jacqueline E. Stevens** article *A City in Tears: Federal Troops in Portland Oregon* was published in the Fall 2020 Westchester Bar Journal – read [here](#).

Rebecca M. Millner, Carly G. Gresham, and Erin C. Palmer published their article: *The Pandemic: Law Students' Perspectives on COVID-19's Effects on Legal Education and the Legal Profession* was published in the Fall 2020 Westchester Bar Journal – read [here](#).

Rachel Rosenblum co-authored the article “*How Can I Not Sacrifice One for the Other?": Balancing Expediency and Cost-Effectiveness With Reliability and Reputation in Arbitration* with attorney John A. Pappalardo, which was published in the Fall 2020 Westchester Bar Journal – read [here](#).

Alumni

Stephanie Burns '97 is the Editor-in-Chief of the Westchester Bar Journal. Read the latest edition [here](#).

Michael J. Derevlany '96 is the president of the Rensselaer County Bar Association, a professional body of lawyers serving Rensselaer County, NY.



Siobhan O'Grady '04 joined the Matrimonial and Family law firm of Miller Zeiderman & Wiederkehr LLP in November 2018 as an Associate. She was recently promoted to Partner (effective November 23, 2020) – and the firm is now known as Miller Zeiderman LLP.

Henry Gordon '13, Vice President and Trust Real Estate Manager for First Horizon Bank, was named to [American Banker Association's 40 Under 40 in Wealth Management](#).

Alison Morris' '14 article *The Negative, and Often Inconsequential, Impact Remote Learning Has Had on Students With Disabilities During COVID* was published in the Fall 2020 Westchester Bar Journal – read [here](#).

Andrew Frisenda '09 co-authored *Estate Litigation Tidbits 2020* in the Fall 2020 Westchester Bar Journal – read [here](#).

Jeff Deskovic '19 article *Juvenile Justice System in State of Disrepair*, was featured in a special *Looking Back* section on The Davis Vanguard – read [here](#).