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[Message From Dean Horace Anderson](#)



As we are nearing the last days of the fall semester, I wanted to provide an update on the progress that Haub Law has made so far this academic year in advancing its Social Justice Agenda.

First, we have expanded our Social Justice course offerings, an effort that Associate Dean Jill Gross has been spearheading. We have added four courses -- The Black Lives Matter Movement, the Law of Policing, Poverty Law, and Health Equity -- and a Social Justice Externship for the 2020-21 academic year. As next steps, we are considering adding more courses for the 2021-22 school year, and we are also discussing the development of an anti-racism module for new student orientation next fall.

We are taking specific steps to examine our own teaching for traces of bias and discrimination. Prof. Darren Rosenblum has taken the lead in helping the Faculty Development Committee hold workshops on bringing anti-racism thinking into our teaching and curriculum. We also organized a conversation with Black alumni to discuss the classroom experience of Black students at Haub Law.

Our Land Use Law Center's annual conference, held December 7 -10, was organized around issues of systemic racism in land use and zoning. Prof. John Nolon reached out to invite Richard Rothstein, author of *The Color of Law*, to present the December 9 keynote address at the Center's 19th annual Alfred B. DeBello Land Use and Sustainable Development Conference. This year's conference theme was Making Progress in an Altered Landscape. The Center also has a student research group that is conducting research into practical solutions to segregated neighborhoods through land use law reform.

Read Dean Anderson's full message [here](#).

Faculty, Staff, School News

On December 4, **PILC Director & Adjunct Professor Elyse Diamond** coordinated a virtual meeting for over twenty tristate area law school public interest program directors and advisors, representing 15 law schools, to share ideas about public interest programming, career advising, fundraising, and related issues, and to hear from invited guests from NY Lawyers for the Public Interest and the NYC Law Department.

Professor Emeritus James Fishman is currently in the top 10% of Authors on SSRN by all-time downloads.

In a New York Law Journal op-ed published on December 4, **Professor Bennett Gershman** condemns the resumption of federal executions so late in the Trump presidency. Read [here](#).

In commemoration of Human Rights Day, **Professor Smita Narula** spoke at a panel on “Human Rights and Food Security During the Pandemic.” The panel was organized by the Human Rights Program at the University of Wisconsin Law School.

Professors Richard Ottinger and **Nicholas Robinson** published their article *Climate Change Mitigation: Prospects and Imperatives* in Westchester Lawyer Magazine – read [here](#).

The United States District Court for the Eastern District of California cited **Professor Leslie Garfield Tenzer’s** article, *The Death of Slander*, [35 Colum. J.L. & Arts 17](#) (2011) was cited in *Jordan v. Wonderful Citrus Packaging LLC*, United States District Court, E.D. California. September 28, 2020 Slip Copy 2020 WL 5763759. On Monday, December 7, Professor Leslie Garfield Tenzer was on the *Just Jenny* show on SiriusXM discussing presidential pardons.

Pace University’s Elisabeth Haub School of Law announced a scholarship endowment gift of \$100,000 from **Cassin & Cassin LLP**, a law firm specializing in real estate, real estate finance, and private client matters. Read more [here](#).

This week over two hundred people joined virtually the **Land Use Law Center’s 19th Annual Alfred B. DelBello Land Use and Sustainable Development Conference**. A highlight of the event was the keynote address by Richard Rothstein, author of *The Color of Law: A Forgotten History of How Our Government Segregated America*.

Alumni



Gail Mulligan ’09 and her husband, Matthew Clement, welcomed their son Colin John Clement, born on June 7, 2020. Colin joins big brother Andrew, age 4.



Michelle Simard (JD 2013) and **Ben Lowenthal (JD 2013, LLM in Environmental Law 2014)** welcome their baby, Lyle Lowenthal on July 7, 2020.



Sarah Kettenmann's '14 son Cody was born in 2020. Here he is with her dog, Tomba!

Jeffrey Deskovic's '19 article *Prison Privatization – A Bad Idea*, was featured in a special *Looking Back* section on The Davis Vanguard – read [here](#).

The Haub Law Alumni Board was featured as November's "Alumni of the Month" for the amazing work that the Board assisted with for the students in quarantine. Read more [here](#).