

ELISABETH HAUB SCHOOL OF LAW AT PACE UNIVERSITY NEWS WEEK OF 10/26/2020

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Message from the President and the Dean about Election Day

Dear Haub Law Community:

Next Tuesday, November 3, is Election Day, and we wanted to remind you that the Law School community – faculty, staff, and students – will be dedicating that day not only to voting ourselves, but also supporting the voting of others.

For students and faculty, Law School classes won't meet on the 3rd and will be made up asynchronously at a later date. For Haub Law staff, under Pace University's longstanding policy allowing <u>employee</u> release time for volunteer work, our administrative offices will be closed to allow you to connect our neighbors with information about voting, serve as poll workers, and otherwise aid get-out-the-vote efforts. (To be clear, no pre-approval or verification will be required in this case.) Other operations at Pace will continue as usual on November 3.

Read more <u>here</u>.

Faculty, Staff, and School News

Dean Horace Anderson was featured on Professor Leslie Garfield Tenzer's podcast, Law to Fact. He spoke on the topic of *Why it is important to vote*. Listen to this very insightful discussion <u>here</u>.

Jill Backer spoke at the national pre-law conference on October 27th—the panel topic was *"The Pandemic's Impact on Legal Employment"*.

Professor Bridget Crawford's essay on *Wills Formalities Beyond COVID-19: An Australian-United States Perspective* has been published in the University of New South Wales Law Journal Forum <u>here</u>. Professor Crawford's book *Talking About Black Lives Matter and #MeToo*, co-edited with Professor Lolita Buckner Inniss (former Visiting Professor at Haub Law and currently at SMU Dedman School of Law), has been accepted for publication by the University of California Press. **Professor Noa Ben-Asher** is a contributor to the book, as well.

Professor Bennett Gershman has been awarded the *Sanford D. Levy Professional Ethics Award* by the Professional Ethics Committee of the New York State Bar Association. Congratulations to Professor Gershman on this well-deserved honor. Professor Gershman will be given the award at a virtual ceremony in January. Professor Bennett Gershman spoke with the Better Government Association about a case involving a judge in Cook County – read <u>here</u>. He was also quoted in the article *Astounding Cognitive Dissonance and Trump Support* – read <u>here</u>.

Professor Randolph McLaughlin was quoted in the article *Woman wounded in fatal shooting of Marcellis Stinnette disputes Waukegan police narrative* – read <u>here</u>. Professor McLaughlin is teaching a zoom class at New York Law School on Redistricting and Voting Rights. The class will focus on the voting rights victory in the Long Island voting rights case that he successfully litigated - Flores v. Town of Islip.

Professor Michael Mushlin will be a panelist for the webinar: Incarceration During the COVID-19 Crisis. It will be held on November 5 from 5:30-7:00PM and presented by the Federal Bar Council Civil Rights Committee. The program offers 1.5 CLE credits (students are free!) – learn more and register <u>here</u>.

Professor Nicholas A. Robinson spoke and moderated a panel on "The Role of NY Environmental and Land Use Law in Averting the Next Pandemic," at the Fall Conference of the NYS Bar Association Environmental and Energy Law Section, October 23, 2020; Alumnus John Kirkpatrick, a member of Pace Law School's very first graduating class, also spoke on "Land Use Law and Pandemic Planning" on this panel. Professor Robinson also spoke on a panel for "A Section Retrospective: 40 Years in 40 Minutes (or More)" on the history of environment and energy land prospects for the future practice of environmental law and policy, at the same Fall Conference. Additionally, Professor Robinson's article now is in print as of October 20, 2020 (read <u>here</u>): Nicholas A. Robinson, "The Next Pandemic Is Here," THE ENVIRONMENT FORUM (November/December 2020 issue), pp. 32-37.

Professor Darren Rosenblum's latest article in Forbes, *Amy Coney Barrett, LGBT Rights and Judicial Legitimacy*, can be read <u>here</u>.



Professor Emily Gold Waldman was featured on Court TV again speaking about the Supreme Court and Amy Coney Barrett – watch <u>here</u>.

<u>Alumni</u>

Christian Robert Cullen '87 was promoted from Senior Assistant County Attorney to Chief Assistant County Attorney in the County of Dutchess Department of Law.

Kathryn Pasternak '97 has joined the Rotary Club of Marco Island Noontime - read here.

Maya van Rossum '92, Delaware Riverkeeper and Founders of "Green Amendments for the Generations," was selected by the River Network as a "2020 River Hero" – read more <u>here</u>.

Lisa Denig '09 was featured in the NY Law Journal as part of the 2020 Professional Excellence Awards. Lisa was recognized as a recipient of an Innovation Award – read <u>here</u>.



The first ever **All Class Virtual Reunion** was a huge success last week. Alumni spanning decades gathered for seminars and to mix and mingle. Programming included yoga, an <u>Ethics CLE</u>, <u>a constitutional law</u> <u>discussion with Professor Bennett Gershman</u>, a seminar on working parenthood during COVID, and networking socials grouped by graduation year. Congratulations to Arianne Andrusco, Lori Kanner, and all who assisted and participated in making this event successful.