Good morning! We are in the home stretch of the semester with finals finishing this week and Commencement the following week!

We are in need of volunteers for Commencement on May 17 and 18. See below to sign up and to read the latest Law School news.

The Latest News
Notre Dame Day Recap

ND Law School's incoming dean, Marcus Cole, talked about his lifelong love for Notre Dame on Notre Dame Day's broadcast. Watch the interview [here](#).

Carter Snead spoke about the ND Ethics Center's Solzhenitsyn Series on Notre Dame Day. Watch the interview [here](#).

Rudy Monterroso and 2L Rolando Rengifo talked about helping asylum seekers as part of the Dilley Pro Bono Project. Watch their interview [here](#).

Jimmy Gurulé and 2L Lenora Popken talked about the Notre Dame Exoneration Project. Watch their interview [here](#).

2L Walter Jean-Jacques spoke about his appointment to the Equal Justice Works Board of Directors on the Notre Dame Day broadcast. Watch his interview [here](#).

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Program on Church, State & Society announces endowed lecture series

Notre Dame Law School's Program on Church, State & Society has received a
A generous gift to endow a new lecture and conference series. The benefactors, who wish to remain anonymous, have named the series the Rice-Hasson Distinguished Lecture Series in honor of the late Charles Rice and of Kevin “Seamus” Hasson and his wife, Mary Rice Hasson, both ND Law graduates. Read more here.

Congressman Joaquin Castro receives 2019 Graciela Olivárez Award

Notre Dame’s Hispanic Law Student Association presented Congressman Joaquin Castro with the 2019 Graciela Olivárez Award. He encouraged students to help ensure the U.S. lives up to its founding promises like Olivárez did in her work. Read more here.

Paolo Carozza to help steer ND research aimed at preventing sexual abuse

Paolo will help lead a Notre Dame initiative to study issues emerging from the sexual abuse crisis in the Catholic Church. Read more here.
Unfair Disruption: Q&A with Professor Mark McKenna
DisCo spoke with Mark about his recent article, Unfair Disruption. Read their blog post here.

Veronica Root Martinez writes about teaching compliance
Veronica writes the second of a three part blog series on teaching compliance at ND Law. Read more here.

Mary Ellen O'Connell quoted by Salon
Mary Ellen was quoted in the article, "Mike Pompeo says U.S. attack on Venezuela 'would be lawful.' It wouldn't" about the legality of a possible U.S. military strike on Venezuela. Read the story here.

Faculty News
Mary Ellen O'Connell recently published two books. The first, "The Art of Law in the International Community," contrasts the beauty of law with its promise of 'tranquility in order' and the ideologies of realism and materialism.

In the second book, "Self-Defense Against Non-State Actors," three leading legal scholars provide robust responses to the challenge posed by non-state
armed groups to the rule of law.

Jennifer Mason McAward was a panelist on "The Legacy of Fr. Theodore Hesburgh, CSC" last week at the Lumen Christi Institute.

Lloyd Mayer writes about how 501(c)(4)s, while best known for recent use as vehicles for "dark money" political spending, function as intended and serve a purpose in the larger federal tax law structure. Read the paper here.

This Week's Events

May 6-10
Finals

Around the Watercooler

Commencement Volunteers Needed

We are in need of volunteers to help with the Law School's Commencement on May 17 and May 18. If you would like to volunteer, please fill out the survey here. You can see the schedule for Commencement here.

Anniversaries

Please join us in congratulating these colleagues who are celebrating work anniversaries with the University in May.

Thank you for your service to Notre Dame!

32 years
Deb Fox
Congratulations!

Sofia Carozza has been named valedictorian of the 2019 University of Notre Dame graduating class. Sofia is the daughter of Paolo and Susan Carozza and is a 2015 graduate of Saint Joseph High School. Congratulations to Sofia and the Carozza family!

Have a great week!

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