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# **Monday Morning Update**

April 9 - April 15

Hello Notre Dame Law School,

I hope everyone had a great weekend! Most of mine was spent making the long drive down and back to the happiest place on earth, Charlottesville, Virginia. My friends and I decided to make the journey so we could play in the annual softball tournament hosted by UVA Law School. We really did not know what we were getting into, the only things we really knew was that there was a tournament and it was in Charlottesville. We arrived on Friday afternoon and soaked in the absolutely gorgeous 75 degree and sunny afternoon on the Corner (a stretch of road that has restaurants and bars; it's across the street from campus). When we arrived, we could already tell we were unprepared for this tournament. We saw many "Harvard Law" softball jerseys, legitimate, stitched jerseys, sponsored by Hogan Lovells and Morrison Foerster. We saw groups of nerdy looking people, clearly dazed from studying law, wearing shirts that indicated that they probably played college baseball. We also saw how many "venues" there were within walking distance of our location that, if we were to step into them, the odds of playing well the next morning would be that much more difficult.

So fast forward to Saturday morning and we have a game at 10am. We pack our bags, grab our equipment, and head to the fields knowing that we were probably going to lose every game we played. To set the stage a little for you, we had one person on our all-male team that played college baseball. The rest of us ranged from the skills of "played in high school" to "I thought jeans would be OK to play in." Our softball bat, which if you were to buy a new one could cost upwards of \$200, was purchased at Play It Again Sports for \$15. We had 11 players, but only 9 gloves and our right fielder/pitcher was wearing one designed for a first baseman in baseball. Now, we probably could have gotten

away with all of these things, at least on the surface, had we looked like a proper team. But after we ignored the other Notre Dame teams telling us to buy matching shirts (one team even went so far as to design a shirt and ask us how many we wanted), we thought that it would be just as good if we all wore Hawaiian shirts. Not even matching shirts, just any Hawaiian shirt we had. Additionally, only 70% the team knew we were doing this. So when we showed up to the field mostly wearing Hawaiian shirts, one wearing jeans, and not matching in the slightest, it was clear we did not belong. Every other team had jerseys. Every. single. other. team.

This did not bring our spirits down, however. We were slated to play Washington & Lee Law School first, so after asking them to borrow two gloves because we did not have enough even after knowing when the tournament was and that gloves were essential to the game, we took the field. It was clear after the first pitch that we should have spent more on a softball bat. I would compare the bat to be the equivalent of 7 or 8 empty cans of Coca Cola ducked taped together. The ball would go nowhere after we hit it and we learned that even if we did put the ball in play, our speed on the base-paths would not be enough to win any games. Luckily for us, W&L was *terrible* in the field. They must of had 10-11 errors in the first two innings. So after almost blowing a 9-2 lead in the last inning, we won the game 9-8 and were off and running. Brooklyn Law School next.

It was clear to everyone at the fields very early on that we were not the most conventional team to enter into the tournament. We were loud, we would make fun of each other for even small things like not holding up your fingers correctly to indicate to everyone on the field how many outs there were, and we looked like the kids from Sandlot had they grown up, gotten heavier, and forgot how to play baseball. But we were 1-0 and we were riding high. The second game started and it was apparent that Brooklyn was going to be even worse than W&L. They made even more errors in the field and had 4-5 people who clearly had not swung a bat before. It was an easy win. So now, our rag-tag group of misfits was 2-0, gaining confidence, and feeling good. We had no idea what was about to happen or how bad it would actually be.

Our last game was against one of the 7,000 UVA teams, UVA-Blue. When we took the field, we could tell by their look that they would not be like W&L or Brooklyn. Their bat was new. They had more than 9 gloves. No one was wearing jeans. After our customary "explain to the other team why we don't have enough gloves and ask them if they wouldn't mind leaving a few on the field in between innings" talk, we quickly got three outs and ran out to the field to play defense. It got ugly, fast. Error after error after error. Comically bad errors too. Then it turned into hit after hit after hit. Just 10 grown men, most of them wearing Hawaiian shirts, running around chasing softballs. Every single player on our team made an error at one point in the game. All of us. What was even worse was that some of the errors came because the player that the ball was hit to was laughing so hard from the last error that *they* missed the ball. It was never ending! Just a horrific cycle of un-athletic movements and shameful attempts at fielding softballs. The final score was something around 32-0. That may be a conservative estimate.

So we left the field, ashamed of our performance but happy that we didn't get totally embarrassed. We found out later on in the evening that because we were 2-1, we made the playoffs as an 8-seed out of the 12 teams that made the playoffs. We were supposed to play Georgia Law but because we had to hit the road and a 7am, Sunday morning game was never going to happen based on our celebrations, we left Charlottesville with a winning record and only lightly scarred egos. That Georgia team we were supposed to play ended up beating

the UVA team we lost to 22-12. So I think it was a good idea we skipped. A truly great weekend and I HIGHLY recommend that you think about going if you are a 1L or 2L. Really incredible experience.

The other Notre Dame teams played in the Co-Ed league and actually made the school proud. Matt Clark led his team consisting of 2Ls and 3Ls to what looks like from the bracket the second-round of the tournament! I think the team led by Adam Augustyn finished 1-2 but they had a ton of fun! Good job by all and I hope everyone got back safe!

#### ND Blue:



#### ND Green:



ND Delta Rho:



Here is a musing:

1. Congrats to the winners of the SBA elections!

President- Luke Franz Vice President- Dayle Comerford Secretary- Bill Green Treasurer- Mike Desmond

Lots of love, Drew

PS. Next week is my last MMU.

## **Mass Schedule**

For the Spring 2018 semester, Masses will be offered in the St. Thomas More Chapel as follows:

- Moday-Thursday, 5:15 PM
- Friday, 12:30 PM
- Sunday, 4:30 PM

## **Important 1L/2L Meeting**

Please join Student Services on **Tuesday, April 10, 4:00 PM** in the Courtroom for an information session on the course registration process, required and recommended classes, graduation requirements, co-curricular credits, etc. The lineup of speakers includes representatives from our <u>Programs of Study</u>, the <u>moot court</u> and <u>mock trial</u> teams, <u>experiential programs</u>, and <u>trial advocacy</u>.

## <u>Summer Job Form - Research Consultation</u> Request Form

Before you head out for your summer job, sign up for a personalized research consultation with one of the research librarians. Use the <u>Research Consultation Request Form</u>. A research librarian will contact you to set up a time to go over the legal research resources you will need for your summer job.

### **Bluebook Review Session**

Are you attempting to write onto a law journal and need a quick overview of the various *Bluebook* rules? If so, plan to attend **one** of the *Bluebook* review sessions listed below at the time most convenient for you. Both sessions will cover the same information so you need attend only one.

Each session will present a brief overview of the following: citing various types of sources (including short forms), introductory signals, order of authorities, order of parentheticals, and more.

Each class will last approximately 40 minutes:

- 1) Wednesday, April 11, 1:30 pm in Room 1140, Eck Hall of Law or
- 2) Thursday, April 12, 3:30 p.m. in Room 1315, Biolchini Hall

### LEGAL WRITING CENTER

The Legal Writing Center is dedicated to helping law students become better writers. Our tutors accomplish this goal by listening attentively in writing conferences, reading papers carefully, and asking questions that can help writers better express their ideas and construct their arguments. Legal Writing Center tutors work with writers during all stages of the writing process—from understanding an assignment, to developing a thesis, to organizing the paper, to revising the final product. Make an appointment <a href="here">here</a> or drop in to room 2146 during the following hours:

Monday 9:00–12:00; 1:00–4:00 Tuesday 9:00–11:00 Wednesday 11:00–2:00; 4:00–5:00 Thursday 12:00–2:00; 4:00–5:00

### **Health & Wellness Information**

Wellness in Mind - Need some support? Remember that your Wellness Consultant, Stella Miller, is here for you. Drop her a line at <a href="mailto:stella.miller@nd.edu">stella.miller@nd.edu</a> or make an appointment at <a href="www.calendly.com/stellamiller">www.calendly.com/stellamiller</a>.

Also, we encourage you to be mindful of the relaxation resources available at the McDonald Center for Student Well-Being. These include yoga, Koru Mindfulness, the Sleep Program, and restorative spaces like the Living Room, Break Room, and Fort. Health support services are always available at University Health Services and the University Counseling Center.

# This Week @ NDLS

## Monday - April 9

- · Moot Court Board: 1L Championship at 12:30pm in the Courtroom
  - The 1L Moot Court Tournament is finally coming to a close. Hanna Torline, Yara Rashad, Kathryn Wilhoit, and Alex Ingoglia will be competing in the final round! They put in a lot of hard work, and would love to have your support. Please join us on Monday, April 9th at 12:30 in the Courtroom. Professor Bradley, Professor McKenna, and Professor Venter will be presiding.
- CDO: Frost Brown Todd Insights: The Hiring Process & Secrets of Success -12:30pm in Room 1315
  - FBT attorneys Tommy Gleason, Jessica Williams Schnelker and Charles Galvin will tell all about rocking your summer internships, starting your career successfully and staying for the long run.
    - Chipotle served to those that RSVPd before Monday morning.
- ACS: Last Speaker Event of the Year 12:30pm in Room 1310
  - Professor Stephanopolous from the University of Chicago and Ruth Greenwood will be speaking on the future gerrymandering and redistricting, in anticipation of the upcoming Supreme Court case and the 2018 Midterm Flections
    - Four Horseman pizza will be served!

## Tuesday - April 10

- 1L/2L Student Services Meeting 4:00pm in Courtroom
  - Please see above for more information.
- SCELF: Panel Discussion 12:30pm in Room 1315
  - Missy Conboy (ND Senior Deputy Athletics Director), Law Professor Tricia Bellia (ND's NCAA Faculty Athletics Representative), and Erin Abbey (Associate Director- ND Compliance) will talk about how their law degrees have impacted their experiences within Notre Dame Athletics. This esteemed panel is a great opportunity to learn about career paths from law school to college sports and the different ways to use a law degree in a university's athletic department.
    - Pizza will be served.
- CDO: OCI Nuts & Bolts: Session One 12:30pm in Room 1130
  - This first session in a three-part series will focus on recruiting fundamentals, an OCI overview, how to bid, creating a bidding strategy and what you should do this summer to prepare. If you are even thinking OCI might be for you, you absolutely should attend. HINT: Plan to attend all three!
    - RSVP in Symplicity for Bruno's pizza.
- IPLS: Professor Yelderman Talk 12:30pm in Room 1310
  - Professor Yelderman will present on an amicus brief he is writing for a Supreme Court patent case that will be heard in April. He will give a lunch talk previewing the argument and explaining how he sees the case, since he's involved in it. The topic is "Patent Damages on the High Seas."
    - Lunch will be served.

## Wednesday - April 11

- Moot Court Board: 1L Application Meeting 12:30pm in the Courtroom
  - If you are interested in being an oralist or a brief writer for the Moot Court Board, please join us for an informational meeting. The Board will provide more information about being a member of Moot Court, and how to submit your application material. Reach out to Hannah Oswald (<a href="https://hoswald@nd.edu">hoswald@nd.edu</a>) if you have any questions.
- · NLG: Nominations
  - NLG executive board nominations are due. Email kringros@nd.edu with your desired position on next year's board.

## Thursday - April 12

- SCELF: Elections 12:30pm in Room 2171
  - The Sports, Communications, and Entertainment Law Forum will reflect on the 2017-18 year and elect its President, VP of Sports, VP of Communications, VP of Entertainment, Public Relations Chair, and Treasurer.
    - Snacks will be served.
- CDO: OCI Nuts & Bolts: Session Two 12:30pm in Room 1130
  - Part two in our series will address the mechanics of the process how to bid in Symplicity, timing & deadlines, FAQ and how not to embarrass yourself when bidding. Most of the session will be an online demonstration of the process. Again, if you are even considering OCI, you should definitely attend this session!
- IPLS: Elections 12:30pm in Room 1310
  - o IPLS Officer Elections.
    - Lunch will be served.

#### Thursday Riddle:



Friday - April 13

Saturday - April 14

Sunday - April 15

Please email me any events to put in next week's MMU.

Next week we will have the last ones. I am going to get a bunch of 1Ls involved so if you have any recommendations, please send them my way.

## **HAVE A GREAT WEEK!**

Submit content for next week's MMU!

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