



THE DIGEST

Internet Expression in the 21st Century: Where Technology & Law Collide

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Registration: 8–8:45 a.m.
Program: 8:45 a.m.–5:15 p.m.
Room: A180

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In the twenty-first century, the Internet is arguably the most dominant and pervasive medium by which the global society connects; exchanges information; and expresses its views, thoughts, and opinions—often instantaneously. An entire generation of people, enterprises, and even governments are now socialized to live their lives and conduct business in a virtual reality by participating in Internet-based social media networks, blogging, and the like. We post photos and information to Facebook® and MySpace®, we tweet, and we blog about every topic known to humankind. From the famous to the infamous to the unknown, virtually everyone who has access has an opportunity to participate on the World Wide Web. Sometimes this participation takes the form of news reporting, sometimes it's personal, sometimes it's private, and sometimes it's defamatory or otherwise violative of a range of existing local, state and federal civil and criminal laws.

Thus, Internet expression has spurred an entire new genre of communication and of consumer expectations about access to, and dissemination of, information and entertainment in ways that the legal world has only begun to navigate and understand. While many traditional legal principles may apply to Internet expression, new media present innumerable challenges and threaten to force changes in the legal protections and individual constitutional freedoms now in force in the United States and beyond.

The *Widener Law Journal* has assembled a dynamic and diverse group of preeminent legal scholars to evaluate and discuss the many engaging, perplexing, and unanswered legal and ethical questions presented by Internet expression. The Symposium is divided into two sessions. The morning session will focus on the issues of constitutional law and criminal procedure that arise with Internet expression, including whether the Internet has increased concerns about speakers' invasions of other persons' rights and what regulations are necessary to protect the privacy rights of the speakers themselves. The afternoon session will focus on the intersection of Internet expression and property law, including issues of ownership, protectable interests, and fair use in the realm of intellectual property law for interests created with the mind.

The distinguished academics and practitioners taking part in this cutting-edge Symposium have already shaped the law's response to the advances of the digital age. Their remarks—as well as the written scholarship that will appear in the *Widener Law Journal's* Symposium issue—will both inform us and further aid the law in adapting to the new and challenging issues presented by Internet expression.

**TRIAL ADVOCACY HONOR SOCIETY
NATIONAL TRIAL COMPETITION
PHILADELPHIA, PA**



On the snowy weekend of February 5th, Taisha Tolliver, Karin Judge, Alberto Rivera and Grant Cannon participated in the National Trial Competition in the Criminal Justice Center located in downtown Philadelphia, PA. Throughout three trials in fewer than 24 hours, both teams competed against some of the best trial advocacy schools in the region. For the second time in so many years, Widener Law Harrisburg's Trial Advocacy Honor Society is proud to announce that one of our teams - Taisha and Karin - advanced onto the semi-final rounds. Out of the eight teams that advanced onto the semi-finals, Taisha and Karin were among only two other schools outside of the Philadelphia region.

With guidance from our excellent coach, Jen Buck Peterson, the team's hard work, and the support of the school and its administration, the Trial Advocacy Honor Society is quickly gaining a state-wide reputation of substantive evidentiary knowledge, professionalism and advocacy.

We invite interested students to email our President, Grant Cannon, with any questions about participation for the 2010-2011 school year or the upcoming Internal Competition taking place this March 2010.

**TRIAL ADVOCACY HONOR SOCIETY
ANNUAL HUGH B. PEARCE COMPETITION**

Sign-ups for the Annual Hugh B. Pearce Competition will be held in the Pit from February 8-18. There is a sign-up sheet posted on the Trial Advocacy board in the Pit. **You do not need to be a current Trial Advocacy member to participate in the competition.** There is **no minimum GPA** required to compete. However, those students who have a least a 2.700 GPA and advance to at least the semi-final round *may* be considered for membership in the Trial Advocacy Honor Society. It is important to note that once you sign up for the competition, you **will** be required to participate. For those students who are unsure of what is required of them, we will hold a **Mock Trial on Friday, February 19**, where members of the Trial Advocacy Honor Society will put on an entire trial for you to watch. Finally, if you do not have a partner, just sign up and we will pair you with someone else who has already signed up.

The focus of the Hugh B. Pearce Competition is to enable students to develop intelligent and creative advocacy skills. The competition operates concurrently on both campuses with the Final Round pairing the finalists from the Delaware campus against the finalists from the Harrisburg Campus.

The Final Round of the competition between Harrisburg and Delaware will be held on March 31 in the Administration Building Moot Court Room. All participants must be available for this date pending their performance and advancement in the competition. Additional information, along with a complete schedule of the competition, is posted on the Trial Advocacy Board in the Pit. Any questions regarding the competition can be forwarded to Katelyn Cutinello—
kec200@gmail.com.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS**FEBRUARY**

- 15 Presidents' Day
 16 In-Service Day (no classes)
 17 Tobacco Cessation Program
 18 Policy & Pizza in The Pit
 18 Davor Photography
 22 Internet Expression in the 21st Century: Where Technology & Law Collide
 24-25 Widener Bookstore 2-day Sale
 25 Final Round-Harrisburg/Delaware Moot Court Comp.

MARCH

- 1-6 Spring Break (no classes)
 11 Policy & Pizza in The Pit
 18 Con Law Smack Down
 22 Deans Leadership Forum on Diversity
 24 No Wednesday classes meet; Friday classes meet
 24 Hugh Pearce Trial Ad Comp./Harrisburg Campus Final Round
 27 Barrister's Ball
 31 Final Round—Hugh Pearce Harrisburg/Delaware Trial Ad Comp.

APRIL

- 2 Good Friday (no classes)
 9 SBA "37 Days Party"

Registrar's Office**Information Line**

(717) 541-1941

Registrar's Office**Email Address:**regoffhb@mail.widener.edu**STUDENT INFORMATION LINE**

Information regarding class changes or cancellations may be obtained by calling the student information line. Information is updated as soon as it is available.

717-541-1939

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

Lee Zimmerman, Maintenance

Vice Dean Robyn Meadows

Kim Rebuck, Maintenance

CAMPUS SAFETY

The Campus Safety Office is located in the lobby of the Library Building. The telephone number is 717-541-3948 or email Sgt. Jumper at lhjumper@widener.edu. We are on duty to serve you from 8:00 a.m. until midnight and on the weekends when the Library is open.

Safety is a shared responsibility

We need your assistance and encourage all of you to report anything that you may consider suspicious.

WIDENER LAW

PROUD TO BE TOBACCO FREE

JULY 2010

- Have you ever considered kicking the habit?
- Want to know how to start quitting?
- Need help choosing a quitting program?

An Independence Blue Cross representative
will help answer these questions
& others you may have.

EVERYONE IS INVITED!!!

Date: February 17, 2010

Time: 1 pm to 2 pm

Place: Administration Building Room 178
(videoconferenced seminar)

PLEASE JOIN US





**Come to Widener Bookstore's
2 Day Winter Sale on
Wednesday, February 24th
and Thursday, February 25th
20% Off**

All Regularly Priced Clothing
And Gift Items, including recent arrivals

50% or more off

Select Insignia Items

Large Selection of Clearance Items, including
study aids, at deep discounts

Stop by for Great Savings and
Complimentary Refreshments.
We look forward to seeing you.

Joan and Jenn

(In stock merchandise only; supplies not included in this sale event)

HELP WANTED

CIVIL LAW CLINIC

The Civil Law Clinic is looking for a student worker to work in the mornings. All interested work study and non work study students should contact Judy at 717-541-0320 for more information about this position.



LEGAL INFORMATION CENTER

REGULAR LIBRARY HOURS

Mon. – Thurs.	8:00 a.m. - Midnight
Friday	8:00 a.m. - 11:00 p.m.
Saturday	8:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.
Sunday	10:00 a.m. - Midnight



Please re-shelve books when you have finished using them, thereby making them available to others who may be looking for them. Also return items you have checked out when they are due, so that others may use them and you will avoid paying fines.

We should not let our fears hold us back from pursuing our hopes.— John F. Kennedy

CAREER DEVELOPMENT OFFICE PRESENTATIONS



February 15 **Alternative Careers in HR and Benefits**

February 22 **Research for Government Practice**

All presentations begin at 5:00 p.m. in A172.



REGISTRAR'S OFFICE

COMMENCEMENT CEREMONY

Ushers. The Registrar's Office needs 8-10 reliable students to volunteer as ushers at commencement on May 16. **Qualifications:** Must be willing to work from 9:00 a.m.—12:30 p.m. and have transportation to the Forum in downtown Harrisburg. Ushers must be dressed professionally, sober and willing to deal with excited graduates and families.

The Registrar's Office regular office hours are Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, 9:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. and 9:00 a.m. until 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday. Hours may be extended if necessary during the course of the semester. The office phone number is 717-541-3904.

Please make it a habit to check Campus Cruiser and the Law School Website at law.widener.edu for important announcements.

WIDENER UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW

2010 Summer International Law Institutes

Widener University School of Law's summer institutes in Europe provide law students with the unique opportunity to build their own "Summer International Law Experience". Widener's programs in Lausanne, Switzerland and Venice, Italy have been designed with the student in mind. Each program consists of two 2-week segments and students have numerous options when enrolling in courses. Students can select from the following options:

- Students may select any one of the two week segments and spend 2 weeks in Europe studying international law and then return home for the rest of the summer.
- Students may select one two-week segment in Lausanne and one 2-week segment in Venice or take 2 segments in one location for a month long summer experience.
- Students may select the first two-week segment in Lausanne, spend the next 2 weeks traveling through Europe, and then select the last 2-week segment in Venice for a complete summer European experience.

The myriad of options available in our European Summer Law programs mean almost every student can build a personal program to meet the individual's educational, financial, and personal goals.

The options are many-- Europe is waiting!!



Lausanne

June 7-July 2, 2010

Students will enjoy the history and culture of Switzerland with a chance to meet students, faculty, and international civil servants from a variety of different cultures. This program offers international law classes, tours of various organizations such as World Health Organization. 1 credit courses in International Criminal Law, Global Health Law, International Human Rights, and International Investment Law. Tuition: \$825/credit



Venice

June 20-July 17, 2010

Students will immerse themselves in Venetian culture while studying international law topics which include European Union Law, Comparative Copyright Law, International Trade and the Environment Law. The program visits Venetian Courts. 1 credit courses focusing on Comparative and International Law. Tuition: \$825/credit



Sydney

June 13-July 16, 2010

Australia is a fascinating and diverse nation. Students will visit the "High Court" in Canberra and observe the Prime Minister and his cabinet. This program exposes students to Australian legal perspectives. 3 credit courses focusing on Comparative Family Law and Australian Legal Perspectives. Tuition: \$825/credit



Nairobi

June 13-July 16, 2010

Students can explore the cultural diversity of Kenya. This unique program immerses students in international legal problems while exposing them to wide differences in culture and perspective. 2 credit courses in International Criminal Law, Comparative Constitutional Law and International Environmental Law. Tuition: \$825/credit

For information visit our website: www.law.widener.edu/go/summer

Or contact Arlene Trapuzzano at artrapuzzano@widener.edu



SIDEBAR CAFÉ
February 15-19, 2010

Breakfast from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

Lunch from 11:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Monday	Kettle Classic	Vegetable Barley Soup
	Montaque's Deli	Grilled Cheese w/ Bacon & Tomato Sandwich
	Café Feature	Egg & Bacon on a Muffin
	Itza Pizza	Pepperoni Pizza by the Slice
Tuesday	Kettle Classic	CLOSED
	Montaque's Deli	IN-SERVICE DAY
	Café Feature	
	Itza Pizza	
Wednesday	Kettle Classic	Cream of Broccoli Soup
	Montaque's Deli	Breaded Haddock Sandwich
	Café Feature	Cheese & Egg on an English Muffin
	Itza Pizza	Cheese Pizza by the Slice
Thursday	Kettle Classic	Asian Chicken Noodle Soup
	Montaque's Deli	Meatball Sub
	Café Feature	Egg, Bacon & Cheese Wrap
	Itza Pizza	Broccoli Pizza by the Slice
Friday	Kettle Classic	Cream of Mushroom Soup
	Montaque's Deli	Tuna Melt Panini
	Café Feature	Egg & Sausage Bagel
	Itza Pizza	Pineapple Pizza by the Slice