

# THE DIGEST

## Health Care Fraud and Abuse in an Era of Reform

### Speaker: Neely Sharp Griffith



As part of the ongoing health care reform effort, the health care industry is now confronting multiple legislative and enforcement initiatives that threaten to raise the stakes on health care fraud and abuse. This presentation will provide an overview of the legal and regulatory framework for health care fraud enforcement, including recent and proposed changes to the laws representing some of the government's primary enforcement tools. Central topics will include the Fraud Enforcement and Recovery Act's amendments to the False Claims Act, the antifraud provisions in the two major Senate health care reform bills, including proposed changes to the AntiKickback statute, the proposed Health Care Fraud Enforcement Act, and the joint Department of Justice and Health and Human Services Health Care Fraud and Enforcement Action Team. The presentation will ultimately address the potential impact and effectiveness of these recent and proposed reforms in stemming the rising tide of health care fraud and abuse in the industry.



**Widener University School of Law**

**Law and Government Institute**

**1 free (substantive) CLE credit available**

**Monday, April 19, 2010 — 4:00 p.m. — Room L202**

**Widener University School of Law, Harrisburg Campus**

Neely Sharp Griffith (*pictured left*) is a partner in the Business & Commercial Litigation Practice Group of Jones Walker, New Orleans, Louisiana, and is a member of the firm's Corporate Investigations & White Collar Defense practice.

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### APRIL

19	Health Care Fraud & Abuse in an Era of Reform
20	Widener Women's Law Caucus Bake Sale
19,20,22	Financial Aid Exit Counseling Sessions
22	Student Awards Ceremony & Reception
27	<i>Widener Law Journal</i> Summer Writing Competition
28	Last Day of Classes
29-30	Reading Period

To: All faculty, staff and students of Widener Harrisburg

From: Widener Women's Law Caucus

Date: 4/20/2010

Re: Bake Sale!



The Widener Women's Law Caucus (WLC) will host a bake sale in the Pit to support Equal Pay Day on Tuesday, April 20, 2010. We invite you to visit the WLC table to buy delicious treats, support the WLC, and learn about one of the most oppressive issues facing women and minorities in the workplace.

Also, we invite you to wear red with us in solidarity on Tuesday, April 20<sup>th</sup>. All proceeds will be donated to the Harrisburg YWCA!

For more information on how you can volunteer with the WLC on Equal Pay Day, please contact Cate Malycke (cjmalucky@mail.widener.edu) or Brit Erney (blerney@mail.widener.edu).

# ***The Widener Law Journal***

## **Summer Writing Competition Information Session**

Tuesday, April 27, 2010

6:00 p.m.

Room L204

**We hope to see you there!**

*Attendance at this meeting is highly encouraged  
for those interested in participating in the  
Summer Writing Competition.*



If you have questions or concerns but are unable to attend the meeting, feel free to contact Stefanie Pitcavage, Incoming Executive Managing Editor, at [smpitcavage@gmail.com](mailto:smpitcavage@gmail.com)

## ADVOCACY CERTIFICATE PROGRAM

Students interested in completing the Advocacy Certificate for graduation in May 2011 must sign up before the end of this semester. Students hoping to complete part of the program through the Intensive Trial Advocacy Program must notify Professor Lockard as soon as they have registered for ITAP.

If you have any questions about the Advocacy Certificate Program, contact Associate Dean Power at extension 1935 or 3980 or rcpower @widener.edu or Professor Lockard at extension 3924 or 541-0320 or jlockard @widener.edu.



## FINANCIAL AID OFFICE

**Students graduating in May or July!!** If you are a Federal Stafford Loan, Federal Graduate PLUS loan, Federal Perkins Loan or Tuition Deferred Loan recipient, you are required by federal law to attend an Exit Counseling Session.

**Exit Counseling Sessions** have been scheduled for the following dates and times, please choose the session that fits your schedule and *inform the Financial Aid Office which one you will attend:*

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Location</u>
<b>Monday, April 19<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>3:00</b>	<b>A 172</b>
<b>Tuesday, April 20<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>5:00</b>	<b>A 180</b>
<b>Thursday, April 22<sup>nd</sup></b>	<b>12:30</b>	<b>A 172</b>

It will be necessary for you to bring your driver's license and the name and address of two (2) people you wish to use as references (other than spouse or parents). Please come prepared to accurately complete your paperwork. Each session will last approximately one hour. Failure to attend an exit counseling session could result in a hold being placed on your records. Students with conflicting schedules may contact the Financial Aid Office at 717-541-3961 for other arrangements.

# STUDY ABROAD



June 13 – July 16, 2010

Nairobi Summer Program



June 20 – July 17, 2010

Venice Summer Program



June 13 – July 10, 2010

Sydney Summer Program



June 7 – July 3, 2010

Lausanne Summer Program

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LAW INSTITUTES IN  
SYDNEY, NAIROBI,  
LAUSANNE, AND  
VENICE**

**LET YOUR  
ADVENTUROUS SPIRIT  
WORK FOR YOU AND  
EARN UP TO 6 CREDITS  
IN FOUR WEEKS WHILE  
VISITING EXCITING  
PLACES.**

**FOR INFORMATION VISIT OUR  
WEBSITE:**

**[www.law.widener.edu/go/summer](http://www.law.widener.edu/go/summer)**

**Or contact Arlene Trapuzzano  
at [artrapuzzano@widener.edu](mailto:artrapuzzano@widener.edu)**

# JULY 2010 BAR DEADLINES

	<b>Web Site Address, Office Phone Number, &amp; Exam Dates</b>	<b>Address For Applications</b>	<b>Date When July 2010 Applications Are Available</b>	<b>Application Deadlines &amp; Fees For July 2010 (p=postmarked; r=receipt)</b>
<b>DE</b>	courts.state.de.us/bbe/ 302-577-7038 July 26-28, 2010	DE Board of Bar Examiners Carvel State Office Bldg. 802 North French Street, 11th Floor Wilmington, DE 19801-3545	Now by download from web site or by written request	April 2-May 15, (p) - \$1400
<b>MD</b>	www.mdcourts.gov 410-260-3640 July 27-28, 2010	MD Board of Law Examiners 2011F Commerce Park Drive Annapolis, MD 21401	Now by download from web site or by written request	Application filing dates: Jan. 19, 2010 (r) - \$225 May 20, (r) - \$275 Original Petition filing date: May 20, 2010 (r) - \$250
<b>NJ</b>	www.njbarexams.org 609-984-7783 July 28-29, 2010	NJ Board of Bar Examiners P.O. Box 973 Trenton, NJ 08625-0973	Now by download from web site or by written request	May 1, (p) - \$575 May 15, (p) - \$625 May 29, (p) - \$675
<b>NY</b>	www.nybarexam.org 518-452-8700 (info tape) July 27-28, 2010	State Board of Law Examiners Corporate Plaza—Building 3 254 Washington Ave. Ext. Albany, NY 12203-5195	Now by download from web site or written request	Must be postmarked Between April 1 & April 30 \$250
<b>PA</b>	www.pabarexam.org 717-795-7270 July 27-28, 2010	PA Board of Law Examiners 601 Commonwealth Avenue Suite 3600, P.O. Box 62535 Harrisburg, PA 17106-2535	Now by download from web site or by written request	April 30, (p) - \$650 May 15, (p) - \$950 May 30, (p) - \$1350

## 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

### EXAM HOURS

April 24—May 13  
8 a.m.—2 a.m.

### LIBRARY CELL PHONE ETIQUETTE



Please help maintain an atmosphere conducive to study in the Legal Information Center. Mute your cell phones while you are in the library and hold phone conversations outside of the library. Lounges, hallways and outside the building are good places for extended conversations. Thanks for respecting the study space and needs of all users of our library.

### Registrar's Information Line

717-541-1941

Email Address:

[regoffhb@mail.widener.edu](mailto: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

### APRIL BIRTHDAYS

Professor Gedid

Mary Catherine Scott, Civil Law Clinic

Staff Attorney

Professor Dimino

Megan Morris, Library

Professor Jones

Brenda Rebeck, ARA

Melissa Hall, Financial Aid

Brent Johnson, Library



### 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](mailto: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.

# REGISTRAR'S OFFICE



**COMMENCEMENT CEREMONY**—online info for commencement, including guides can be found at <http://law.widener.edu/grads>

**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.

## CERTIFICATE IN LAW AND GOVERNMENT

Jennifer Ann Berosh	Shannon A. Sargent
Brady Thomas Carter	Matthew Alan Sembach
Jorge Luis Conforme	Jennifer Marie Smith
David J. Drumheller	Dana C. Suter
Lauren Janelle Kort	Abby N. Trovinger
Brooke Irene Lewis	Jonathan M. Villa
Scott W. MacMullan	Stuart J. Wolf
Stephen J. Matzura	

**EMPLOYMENT FORMS** – If you are a Regular Division Student and have not filled out an employment form, please stop in the Registrar's Office and do so. See "Section 310. Outside Employment" of the Academic Code in the Student Handbook. Completed forms may also be placed in the mailbox around the corner from the elevator marked as "Administrative Student Center Mailbox."

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](http://law.widener.edu) for important announcements.

**COMMENCEMENT**  
**MAY 16, 2010**

# SIDEBAR CAFÉ

April 19-23, 2010

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

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

**Menu Subject to Change as Needed**

**Monday**

**Kettle Classic**

**Montaque's Deli**

**Café Feature**

**Itza Pizza**

**Asian Noodle Soup**

**Pastrami on Rye**

**Egg & Cheese Bagel**

**Pepperoni Pizza by the Slice**

**Tuesday**

**Kettle Classic**

**Montaque's Deli**

**Café Feature**

**Itza Pizza**

**Chicken Noodle Soup**

**Popcorn Shrimp & French Fries**

**Egg & Cheese Bagel**

**Cheese Pizza by the Slice**

**Wednesday**

**Kettle Classic**

**Montaque's Deli**

**Café Feature**

**Itza Pizza**

**Shrimp Bisque Soup**

**Chicken Caesar Wrap**

**Egg & Sausage Bagel**

**Broccoli Pizza by the Slice**

**Thursday**

**Kettle Classic**

**Montaque's Deli**

**Café Feature**

**Itza Pizza**

**Chicken Mushroom Soup**

**Ham & Swiss Cheese Wrap**

**Egg & Ham Bagel**

**Meat Lovers Pizza by the Slice**

**Friday**

**Kettle Classic**

**Montaque's Deli**

**Café Feature**

**Itza Pizza**

**New England Clam Chowder**

**All American Turkey Sandwich**

**Egg & Sausage on a Muffin**

**Cheese Pizza by the Slice**