



# THE DIGEST

WIDENER UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW ~ HARRISBURG



## 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**

**CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

**FEBRUARY**

- 8 CDO Presentation
- 11 Graduation Photos
- 14 Valentine's Day
- 15 Presidents' Day
- 16 In-Service Day (no classes)
- 17 Tobacco Cessation Program
- 18 Policy & Pizza in The Pit
- 22 Internet Expression in the 21st Century: Where Technology & Law Collide
- 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.

**Registrar's Office**

**Information Line**

(717) 541-1941

**Registrar's Office**

**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

**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](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.

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

Sponsored by the  
Widener Law & Government Institute  
and *Widener Law Journal*

Monday, February 22, 2010

Registration: 8–8:45 a.m.

Program: 8:45 a.m. – 5:15 p.m.

Room: A180

# Widener Law

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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.

# 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.**

# Student Organizations

## MOOT COURT HONOR SOCIETY

20th Annual

### Harrisburg/Delaware Internal Competition

The final round of the competition between Harrisburg and Delaware will be held on **February 25, 2010**, at the Pennsylvania Supreme Court. All participants must be available for this date pending their performance and advancement in the competition.

Any questions regarding the competition can be forwarded to Fawn Smith – [Fawn.E.Smith@gmail.com](mailto:Fawn.E.Smith@gmail.com) or [Fesmith@mail.widener.edu](mailto:Fesmith@mail.widener.edu)

## Widener Journal of Law Economics & Race



The Valley Club of Huntingdon Valley is facing a widely debated discrimination suit. Recently, the Pennsylvania Human Rights Commission issued a **Probable Cause Finding** for discrimination pertaining to the Valley Club's denial of service to certain African American children participating in the Creative Steps day care program. Special Project Volume I highlights this controversy.

WJLER issued a national call for idea papers on the lawsuits and the events that led to it. Go to [www.wjler.org](http://www.wjler.org) to read the papers. We invite and encourage responses to these papers.

**You can fool some of the people all of the time, and all of the people some of the time, but you cannot fool all of the people all of the time—Abraham Lincoln**



# REGISTRAR'S OFFICE

## COMMENCEMENT CEREMONY

**Invocation and Benediction.** The Registrar's Office is looking for a member of the clergy to give the invocation and benediction at commencement. If you know of someone who is a member of the clergy and would like to do this, please contact the Registrar's Office at 717-541-3904.

**National Anthem.** The Registrar's Office is also looking for a member of the graduation class of 2010—including December 2009, May 2010 and July 2010—to sing the National Anthem at the commencement ceremony on Sunday, May 16, 2010. If you are interested or know someone who is, please contact the Registrar's Office.

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

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

## CAREER DEVELOPMENT OFFICE PRESENTATIONS



February 8      Kathryn Peifer, Esq., PA Lawyers Fund for Client Security

February 15     Alternative Careers in HR and Benefits

February 22     Research for Government Practice

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

### WIDENER SCHOOL OF LAW RECYCLING PROGRAM IS SINGLE-STREAM

(recyclables can be co-mingled in the blue containers on campus)

**RECYCLING** is the process of taking a product at the end of its useful life and using all or part of it to make another product. Recycling reduces waste sent to landfills and making new products out of recycled ones reduces the amount of energy needed in production.

But it is not all about recycling. One of the easiest ways to be good to the environment is to **REDUCE**, or cut back, in key areas of your life. Three of the most important resources you can reduce are: energy, water and solid waste.



Please remember to use the Widener Law blue recycling containers to recycle here on campus. It is our responsibility to preserve and protect our natural resources for future generations.



## SIDEBAR CAFÉ

February 8-12, 2010

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

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

<b>Monday</b>	<b>Kettle Classic</b>	<b>Cream of Tomato Soup</b>
	<b>Montaque's Deli</b>	<b>Popcorn Shrimp &amp; French Fries</b>
	<b>Café Feature</b>	<b>Egg &amp; Cheese Bagel</b>
	<b>Itza Pizza</b>	<b>Pepperoni Pizza by the Slice</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Kettle Classic</b>	<b>Pasta Fagioli Soup</b>
	<b>Montaque's Deli</b>	<b>Egg Salad with Bacon Sandwich</b>
	<b>Café Feature</b>	<b>Egg &amp; Cheese Bagel</b>
	<b>Itza Pizza</b>	<b>Cheese Pizza by the Slice</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Kettle Classic</b>	<b>Chicken Noodle Soup</b>
	<b>Montaque's Deli</b>	<b>Taco Salad</b>
	<b>Café Feature</b>	<b>Egg &amp; Sausage Bagel</b>
	<b>Itza Pizza</b>	<b>Broccoli Pizza by the Slice</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Kettle Classic</b>	<b>Cream of Mushroom Soup</b>
	<b>Montaque's Deli</b>	<b>Buffalo Chicken Wrap</b>
	<b>Café Feature</b>	<b>Egg &amp; Ham Bagel</b>
	<b>Itza Pizza</b>	<b>Meat Lovers Pizza by the Slice</b>
<b>Friday</b>	<b>Kettle Classic</b>	<b>Chili Soup</b>
	<b>Montaque's Deli</b>	<b>Rosie Gobble Sandwich</b>
	<b>Café Feature</b>	<b>Egg &amp; Sausage Muffin</b>
	<b>Itza Pizza</b>	<b>Cheese Pizza by the Slice</b>