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Loyola's Center for Restorative Justice

Loyola Law School's Center for Restorative Justice (CRI) is already making an impact on campus and throughout the community. The CRI is helping bring about a shift from a punitive to a restorative paradigm of justice. This important movement in the criminal justice system emphasizes offender accountability to the victim and the community, rather than punishment, and fosters reintegration of the offender back into society. It also alleviates some of the chronic problems of the criminal justice system, such as overcrowding and recidivism. Restorative justice is popular in several prisons and juvenile facilities but is not yet fostered in many law schools. In fact, Loyola is currently the only law school on the West Coast to have a center focused on the restorative justice movement.

The functions of the CRI can be separated into three prongs: education, practicum and community programs. Education is provided to students through a semester-long seminar. Students are taught the basics of restorative justice on a theoretical, practical and critical level, and are encouraged to consider new possibilities of reform. Seth Weiner ‘10 enrolled in the seminar during his second year at Loyola Law School. “The seminar was packed with powerful concepts, guest speakers and discussion among the students and professors. I learned about alternative dispute resolution, conflict resolution and community mediations,” recalls Weiner. His dedication to this movement contributed to Weiner earning a fellowship to work for the center, where he now teaches the Restorative Justice Seminar with Clinical Professor and CRI Director Scott Wood, and works to continue the development of the center.

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Through community programming, we hope to provide a holistic picture of the problems and solutions facing everyone involved in our criminal justice system.” says Wood. On June 3-4, 2011, the center will host its first conference, “Another Way: Restorative Justice for Youth.” This interdisciplinary conference will open the lines of communication between the different entities responsible for reform in the local juvenile justice system, including judges, lawyers, law enforcement, and mental health and social workers.

“Loyola has a notoriously overburdened juvenile justice system,” says Wood. “Recent reform led to improvement, but with 40,000 juveniles arrested annually in Los Angeles, there is still a need for change.” And with Loyola’s commitment to public interest work and the restorative justice movement sharing roots in the Jesuit tradition, this center is perfectly positioned to facilitate great change.

There are several ways to support the CRI and the great work it does on campus and throughout the community. To donate, learn more about the center or for information about upcoming events, visit www.lls.edu/CRJ or contact Seth Wood at scott.wood@lls.edu or Seth Weiner at seth.weiner@lls.edu.

"It has always been the practice at the Law School to provide our students with both in-class instruction and real-life experience," says Wood. “We knew that for the Center for Restorative Justice to truly have an impact on our community, we needed to get our students involved, hands-on.” The center’s semester-long practicum, in cooperation with Centinela Youth Services (CYS), trains select students to work in its Victim Offender Restitution Services (VORS), where juvenile offenders and the victims are brought together for dialog. “Our students work alongside other professionals to monitor this meeting,” says Wood. “The interaction between the offender and the victim can be powerful and healing for both parties. The victim has a chance to be heard, and the offender gets a better understanding of the harm caused by the offense.” The VORS program is a real-life application of what restorative justice is all about—taking a conflict, crime or hurt and changing it into a healing.

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Board of Governors
Presidential Profile - Anthony Napolitano ’03

Anthony Napolitano has shown great commitment to the Loyola community over the years—as an undergrad at Loyola Marymount University (LMU), as a law student at Loyola Law School and as an active member of the alumni associations of both institutions. Most recently, he has taken on another role: the newly elected president of the Law School’s Alumni Association Board of Governors.

Napolitano sees the Law School’s alumni as among its greatest assets, and strengthening communication within the alumni community is his main priority. Napolitano explains, “I wanted to become president of the Board of Governors to help our alumni reconnect with their alma mater and to reconnect with each other. Our alumni community is large in number and in prominence, and alumni are a valuable resource for networking, monitoring and professional opportunities.” He plans to increase alumni use of Loya Connect, a comprehensive online directory, networking resources and communications tool.

In addition to advancing professional and networking opportunities, Napolitano hopes to bolster alumni involvement in community service activities. “Giving back to those less fortunate is very important to me,” says Napolitano. “As president of the board, I plan to implement more opportunities for our alumni to participate in service activities, such as volunteering at soup kitchens or building and repairing houses and schools in underprivileged neighborhoods.”

Napolitano practices financial restructuring law at Buchalter Nemer, PC, and he is a certified public accountant. He served as articles editor of the Loyola of Los Angeles Law Review and has bachelor’s degrees in accounting and economics. He adds, “My wife also graduated from LMU. We met while attending orientation at the Law School, and our two children attend LMU.”

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Professor Scott Wood (left), director of Loyola’s Center for Restorative Justice, with Franky Carrillo, who spoke to students about his recent release from prison after being incarcerated for 20 years for a murder he did not commit.
EVENTS WRAP-UP

SAN FRANCISCO ALUMNI RECEPTION (A)
Wednesday, January 5, 2011
Constellation Wines U.S. – San Francisco

GRAND AVENUE GANG LUNCH (D)
Friday, January 28, 2011
Loyola Law School – Los Angeles

LAW DAY AWARDS DINNER & LECTURE (B)
Thursday, February 10, 2011
Loyola Law School – Los Angeles
Guest Speaker: David W. Burcham ’84, president, Loyola Marymount University
Honorees: Ellen Eggers of the Office of the State Public Defender – St. Ignatius of Loyola Award recipient; Judge Michael Tynan of the California Superior Court, Los Angeles County – St. Thomas More Medallion recipient

DAVID W. BURCHAM CHAIR IN ETHICAL ADVOCACY
DONOR PLAQUE DEDICATION & INAUGURATION OF THE ADVOCACY INSTITUTE AT LOYOLA LAW SCHOOL (H)
Tuesday, February 15, 2011
Loyola Law School – Los Angeles

REMNANTS OF GENOCIDE: RECLAIMING ART AND OTHER HEIRLOOMS LOST IN ATROCITIES (C)
Friday, March 11, 2011
Loyola Law School – Los Angeles
Guest Speakers: Mark Geragos ’82 and Brian Kabateck ’89

JOHNNIE L. COCHRAN, JR. PUBLIC SERVICE AWARD RECEPTION BENEFITING THE AFRICAN AMERICAN SCHOLARSHIP AT LOYOLA LAW SCHOOL (G)
Wednesday, February 23, 2011
California African American Museum – Los Angeles
Honoree: John Mack, president, Los Angeles Police Commission

PAPARAZI LAW IN A FLASH: EXAMINING CALIFORNIA’S PAST, PRESENT AND FUTURE (F)
Friday, February 25, 2011
Loyola Law School – Los Angeles
Guest Speaker: Mark Geragos ’82

HAPPY HOUR MIXER – CLASSES OF 2005-2010 (E)
Thursday, March 24, 2011
Rock Sugar Pan Asian Kitchen - Los Angeles

Visit http://alumni.lls.edu/events/index.html to view a list of upcoming alumni events.
U.S. NEWS SPECIALTY RANKINGS

Loyola ranked among the best in the nation in specialty areas:

5th Trial Advocacy
4th Diversity of Student Body
10th Tax Law

IN MEMORIAM

The Law School regretfully announces the passing of the following alumni. Please visit alums.law.edu to read about their lives and contributions.

William C. Rae ’71
Donald G. Nielson ’68
William E. Fuch ’69
Harold (Hal) Mckue ’74
John J. Kewash ’90
Hon. Janice Miyama ’75
Joseph Montoya ’51
James Robie ’75
Hon. John F. Nelson ’53
Kevin E. Link ’70
Richard C. Hartman ’54
Malinda Valley Rummage ’77
Ernest Kahn ’68
Anthony Vaughan ’80
Joseph Salaff ’56
Mark Bresee ’01

Top 20 Under 40
Iran Davaryani ’98
Kevin J. Lombardo ’12
Aadik Sharma ’99

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JUDICIAL

Hon. Francisco P. Briseño ’68 was presented with the Franklin G. West Award at the Orange County Bar Association’s 2011 Annual Meeting. Hon. Manuel A. Ramirez ’74 was re-elected presid- ent of the California Courts of Appeal for District 2. Hon. Diana B. Altamirano ’77 was named to the Superior Court of California, County of San Diego. Prior to her appointment by the gover- nor, Altamirano served as the Imperial Superior Court’s associate center manager and senior judicial officer. Hon. Paul Horvath ’77 retired from the Superior Court of California, County of San Diego, in October and has joined ASDS Inc. in San Diego. Hon. Victoria Bernard Chevay ’78 was elected to the California Courts of Appeal for District 4, Division 2. Hon. Elizabeth Anne White ’81 of the Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles, has co-authored the second in a series of Better California Group Paralegal Manuals: Civil Trials and Evidence. Her first manual, Civil Procedure Before Trial, was published in 2004. Hon. Karen E. Brown ’91 of the Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles, has been elected to the Fair Employment and Housing Commission.

Highly ranked in intellectual property and environmental law with the firm’s down- town Los Angeles office.

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1967 Los Lirón, retired from the practice of law since 1991, still serves the people of rural Kern County with pro bono services in the Taxpayer’s Rights area, advocating for the people of South Pasadena and San Gabriel as part-time staff attorney hearing officer for the State Fair Agricultural Commission in Sydney, Australia.

1973 William A. Anderson joined O’Melveny & Myers LLP as a partner to the firm’s litigation practice. Anderson specializes in real estate and business law, and trust and estate litigation. Anderson is in-house counsel with Kurtzman Carlson & Liebenow, is an experienced in patent prosecution and in patent litigation in the pharmaceutical and biotech industries.

1977 Lola S. Lira is the chief of the Immigration and Family Law Center of the American Bar Association.


1988 was a structural design engineer for Northrop Grumman Corporation in San Diego, CA. As a partner specializing in intellectual property, and is experienced in patent prosecution and in patent litigation in the life sciences and pharmaceutical industries.

1997 John Son joined Ellis & West LLP in Los Angeles as an associate attorney for the Central District of California in Los Angeles—most recently serving as the criminal health care fraud counsel for the office’s Major Fraud Section. Prior to joining CISA, Son was a structural design engineer for Northrop Grumman Corporation in San Diego, CA. As a partner specializing in intellectual property, and is experienced in patent prosecution and in patent litigation in the life sciences and pharmaceutical industries.

2000 Armando Paz serves on a State Bar of California sub-committee where he reviews pending and affirmative legislation regarding family law matters.

2003 Thomas Kim recently joined KKR as principal and global risk manager. Prior to joining KKR, Kim was president and CEO of So, similar to what he thought about the health care system, he wrote a book about market-based computer applications for medical and dental practices and hospitals.

1967 Michael S. Cohen joined Best & Krieger LLP’s municipal and redevelopment practice in Los Angeles as partner, focusing on public agency representation, environmental law, and complex real estate matters.

1970 Vito Costanzo, a partner with the Los Angeles office of Holland & Knight LLP, joined St. Ann’s 33-person board of directors. St. Ann’s is a mission of the Archdiocese of Los Angeles, providing programs and support to at-risk young women, children, and families.

1971 Francisca M. O’Neill joined Kaufman Dolrich Volok & Gonick LLP’s Los Angeles office as managing partner; O’Melveny has defended some politicians think about identifying “illegal aliens” it is not a job for them. Katrinella E. Raase, a licensed real estate broker, was appointed to the Federal Fair Housing and Mortgage Commission. Almene S. Weisner, most recently executive vice president at Advanced Medical Optometry, Inc., joined Edward Lifesciences Corporation (ILC) in Irvine, CA as vice president and corporate counsel. ELS is a global leader in heart valves, medical devices, and health care products.

1965 Vanguard’s public company, Entravision Communications Corporation, was featured in the article, “Following the Bahian Band’s Bugle,” published in the March 1965 Daily Journal. Prior to his position as counsel of the Orange County office in Los Angeles, he was appointed as a fellow of the International Academy of Mediators and Arbitrators. Additionally, in his article, “The Diversity of Student Body Award from the Supreme Court Fellows Alumni Association for his work in the field of public interest law and human rights advocacy. In January; Greene is founder and conductor of the Los Angeles Lawyers Philharmonic; the group also includes alumnus Gary S. Greene, was named Person of the Year by the Orange County Bar Association.

1975 Manuel A. Ramirez ’74 made partner with the trial practice group at Rutan & Tucker LLP in Los Angeles. Ramirez specializes in real estate and business law, and trust and estate litigation.

1976 refinery has entered his 26th year practicing law in Orange County. наиболее интересна идея о том, что если власти считают, что им нечего делать с этим сообщением, они могут считать его "горячей информацией."
Loyola excels at turning students into real lawyers. In fact, many of the top trial lawyers in the nation are Loyola alumni. More than 200 of our grads currently preside as trial court judges in Southern California—more than any other law school. Loyola student advocacy teams regularly win regional, national and even international awards. Our advocacy curriculum is the broadest available, our advocacy professors are the best in the business, and our facilities, including courtrooms and instructional technology, are second to none.

A great program is now even better. Our new Advocacy Institute will give the next generation of Loyola students the practical skills demanded by this tough job market. Students will receive training directly from leading trial lawyers and judges. Because our students will be taught by the best, they will acquire more than practical skills. Loyola students will also learn that good lawyers uphold the highest standards of ethics, believe passionately in justice, and devote themselves to the service of others.

The Advocacy Institute includes:
- Concentration programs in Civil Litigation and Criminal Trial Practice
- Advanced courses during and between every academic semester
- Enhanced clinical opportunities, including a semester in practice
- Mentoring and networking opportunities with leading trial lawyers
- Participation in advocacy competitions in the U.S. and around the world
- An enormous array of programs serving students and the community.

The pressures of the new economy challenge us to constantly improve. The traditional way of teaching law students is a thing of the past.

Victor Gold
Fritz B. Burns Dean, Loyola Law School
Senior Vice President, Loyola Marymount University