NEWS BRIEFS

PUBLICATIONS

Michael B. Abramowicz is co-editor, with F. Scott Kieff, and James E. Daily of Perspectives on Patentable Subject Matter, forthcoming from Cambridge University Press. He also published “Screening Legal Claims Based on Third-Party Litigation Finance Agreements and Other Signals of Quality” (with Alper), Vanderbilt Law Review (2013).


John F. Banzhaf III’s recent writings include “Prof. Banzhaf Claims FDA’s E-Cigarette Rules Have Major Omissions—’Candy Cigarettes on Steroids’ May Continue to Endanger Health”; “Students Accused of Rape Can Fight Back: Court OKs Suits Against University, Employees, and Female”; “Law Schools Being Forced to Make Radical Changes: More Lawyers, But Maybe Even Less Justice”; “E-Cigarettes Increasingly Banned in Public: Causing Epidemics Among Young Children and Teens”; “NFL Hypocrisy: Banning the N-Word, but Supporting the R-Word”; “How Fans Convince Themselves ‘Redskins’ Isn’t Racist”; “Paula Deen’s N****rs vs. Dan Snyder’s R*****ns: What’s the Difference?”; “FDA to Spend $600M Fighting Smoking, but Inefficiently”; and “ACA’s 50% Smoker Surcharge—Q & A.”


Phyllis Goldfarb’s article “Demography and Democracy” is forthcoming in the *Berkeley Journal of African-American Law & Policy*.


David M. Johnson’s article “An Introduction to Effective Advocacy in the U.S. Federal Courts: From Trial to Appeal” was accepted for publication by the Universidad Del Salvador in Buenos Aires, Argentina. The article will be translated into Spanish and published in one of the school’s two publications, *Aequitas* or *La Vey*.


Gregory E. Maggs published “A Concise Guide to Using Dictionaries From the Founding Era to Determine the Original


In June, Joan Meier co-wrote an amicus brief to the Supreme Court in support of a petition for certiorari in Ohio v. Clark, a confrontation clause case involving children’s statements. She also co-wrote an amicus brief in a Maryland case on behalf of a mother who was ordered to pay damages to her batterer as a result of his tort action against her.


As a senior fellow in the human and civil rights of children at the Center for Children and Social Engagement, Catherine Ross published “The Long Road From Rights to Reality” in the center’s online periodical, The Child. The article focuses on access to education under international agreements using Kenya as a case study.


Joshua I. Schwartz’s chapter “International Protection of Foreign Bidders Under GATT/ WTO Law” is forthcoming in Internationalization of Public Contracts (Bruylant). He completed an annual update of his self-published Government Contracts casebook for use in his introductory survey class and is continuing to work on a manuscript for a government procurement law casebook.


Jessica K. Steinberg’s “Demand Side Reform in the Poor People’s Court” is forthcoming in the Connecticut Law Review.


Netherlands” was published in International Environmental Law (2014).


ACTIVITIES

John F. Banzhaf III helped introduce a 50 percent smoker surcharge into the Affordable Care Act that has helped lead to a decrease in smoking; his work also helped lead to bans on e-cigarette use in no-smoking sections in many cities. He attracted three former FCC commissioners to his project to ban the word “Redskins” from the nation’s airwaves. The legal movement he helped start that sues food companies for misrepresentation is expanding, and is likely to explode because of a recent U.S. Supreme Court decision. Professor Banzhaf appeared frequently on radio and TV, both here and in many other countries, and was quoted in more than 100 publications on topics ranging from “stand your ground” laws and capital punishment to law school reform.

During the past year, Paul Schiff Berman gave 12 invited presentations: in Germany at Humboldt University, the University of Bremen, and the University of Bonn; in the Netherlands at the University of Tilburg and the University of Rotterdam; in the United Kingdom at the University of London; in Canada at York University and the University of Windsor; and at a special roundtable on “Theorizing Law in the Transnational and the Global,” at the Law and Society Association Annual Meeting.

Francesca Bignami, together with Professor David Zaring of the Wharton School, University of Pennsylvania, convened a two-day book conference at GW Law in 2014 on their forthcoming volume, Research Handbook on Comparative Law and Regulation. She participated on the following panels: “The Administrative State, the Rule of Law, and Democracy: Comparative Models of Judicial Review” at the Conference on Comparative Law and Regulation at GW Law (January 2014); “Conflict and Cooperation in the Privacy Sector” at the Symposium on New Approaches to International Regulatory Cooperation at New York University School of Law (February 2014); “The Legal Environment and Institutional Origins: Comparative Law and the Rise of the European Court of Justice” at the EU Roundtable at Columbia Law School (April 2014); “The Administrative State, the Rule of Law, and Democracy: Comparative Models of Judicial Review” at the Annual Meeting of the Law and Society Association in Minneapolis (June 2014); and was a commentator for the panels “EU Institutions: Democratization and Constitutionalization” at the Conference on EU Law Stories at American University Washington College of Law (March 2014) and “International Administrative Law in a Plural Legal Order: The Future of International Administrative Law” at the International Monetary Fund in Washington, D.C. (April 2014).

Christopher A. Bracey lectured on “Constitutional Conversations in Contested Times” and introduced Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg at GW’s annual Constitution Day Event. He also spoke at a university-wide interdisciplinary event at GW—“Framing Ferguson: A Panel and Audience Discussion of the Michael Brown Shooting.”

In January Neil H. Buchanan gave a keynote speech at the Australian Tax Teachers’ Association annual meeting in Brisbane, Australia, after which he delivered an invited speech to the Japan Tax Association in Tokyo. Professor Buchanan also made presentations at the Critical Tax Conference in April and the Law and Society Conference in May. In June he was a commentator on three panels at the Tax Justice and Human Rights conference at McGill University in Montreal.


Steve Charnovitz co-presented a paper on energy subsidies and trade law at the Workshop on World Trade Organization Caselaw at the European University Institute in Florence, Italy, and spoke on a panel for the International Labour Organization at the Conference on Work at the University of Montreal. With the increasing attention to the Transatlantic Trade and Investment Partnership, he gave a talk on TTIP models to the Ecologic Institute in Berlin, and participated in a panel at GW Law commenting on presentations by European and U.S. negotiators. He also assisted the State Department’s International Visitor Leadership Program by giving a lecture on trade adjustment assistance to visitors from Russia.

Bradford R. Clark’s 2012 article with co-author Professor A.J. Bellia of Notre Dame Law School, “The Law of Nations as Constitutional Law,” was one of only four featured articles at a University of Virginia Law School symposium celebrating the “Best of the Virginia Law Review” for the 100th anniversary of the journal.

Jessica L. Clark completed a two-year visiting professorship at Georgetown University Law
In April, Donald C. Clarke testified on Capitol Hill before the Congressional-Executive Commission on China about “Understanding China’s Crackdown on Rights Advocates: Personal Accounts and Perspectives,” which can be viewed at 1.usa.gov/1kt3tPL. He moderated a panel on “Wider Implications of Asian Maritime Tensions,” at the Mansfield Foundation conference on Maritime and Territorial Disputes in East Asian Waters in Washington, D.C., and was a speaker at Third Annual China Intellectual Property Conference.

In June, Charles B. Craver taught a weeklong session at GW Law on negotiating skills to a group from the Thailand National Broadcasting and Telecommunications Commission. In May he made a plenary presentation on “Supreme Court Labor and Employment Decisions” at the Upper Midwest Labor and Employment Law Conference in Minneapolis and a plenary presentation on “The Ethics of Negotiation and Bargaining” at the Pacific Coast Labor and Employment Law Conference in Seattle. He also made presentations on Effective Legal Negotiations to legal groups in several locations around the country.

In May, Lawrence A. Cunningham presented a paper and commented on others’ papers at Columbia Law School in preparation of a multivolume treatise on the state of corporate law forthcoming from Oxford University Press.

Christy H. DeSanctis was invited to participate on several panels at the AALS Meeting for New Law Teachers in June and to speak about the importance of both intra- and extra-institutional service and commitments in forming relationships within the legal writing academy and the larger legal academy.

Laura A. Dickinson spoke about her book Outsourcing War and Peace (Yale 2011) at a conference at Ohio State University.

Lisa M. Fairfax was an invited participant at the Investment Fund Roundtable at the University of Chicago Law School. She presented her paper on directors’ duties to monitor corporate wrongdoing at the Business and Economics Law Workshop at the University of Texas Law School. She was a panelist at a conference on the Competing Models of Corporate Governance at UCLA School of Law where she examined the impact of shareholder activism on corporate governance. Professor Fairfax was a participant at the Law and Capital Markets Seminar at the Ohio State College of Law where she spoke on the propriety of separating the board chair and CEO functions. She presented her paper on the relationship between increased shareholder activism and corporate governance to the faculties at the School of Law, Trinity College Dublin in Ireland and the University of Edinburgh, Edinburgh Law School in Scotland. She was co-organizer and a panelist at a conference critiquing cost-benefit analysis of financial regulation at GW Law, and she also organized and moderated the Center for Law Economics & Finance’s Fourth Annual Junior Faculty Business and Financial Law Workshop and Junior Faculty Scholarship Prize.

Roger Anthony Fairfax testified on federal criminal code reform before the U.S. House of Representatives Judiciary Committee, Subcommittee on Overcriminalization (to view the C-SPAN coverage, visit cs.pn/1UljqR). Professor Fairfax presented research at the School of Law, Trinity College Dublin in Ireland, University of Edinburgh, Edinburgh Law School in Scotland, Wake Forest University School of Law, and the Criminal Law Research Collective at the Vera Institute of Justice. He served as a panelist at the Southeastern Association of Law Schools annual meeting, the Mid-Atlantic People of Color Legal Scholarship Conference, and Stanford in Washington. He delivered a lecture on criminal justice reform at the U.S. Attorney’s Office for the District of Columbia.

Iselin Gambert presented a series of workshops on strategies for providing effective written feedback to junior attorneys. The workshop audiences included LRW professors at the 2014 Capital Area Legal Writing Conference, partners and senior lawyers at the Australian law firm of Clayton Utz, and supervising attorneys at Victoria Legal Aid in Melbourne, Australia. She was also recently promoted to co-editor-in-chief of The Second Draft, the official magazine of the Legal Writing Institute.

In March Phyllis Goldfarb gave a presentation on “Demography and Democracy” at a Touro College Jacob D. Fuchsberg School of Law symposium titled “The End of Voting Rights?” In April she presented “Race, Exceptionalism, and the American Death Penalty” at New England Law School on a panel featuring Harvard Law School Professor Carol Steiker, Northeastern Law School Professor Michael Meltsner, John Jay College of Criminal Justice Professor Evan Mandery, and U.S. District Court Judge Michael Ponsor.

Robert L. Glicksman made conference presentations on wilderness management by the multiple-use agencies at “Wilderness at 50” at Lewis and Clark Law School; on adaptation to climate change by the multiple-use agencies at “The Role of Planning in Federal Land Management” at GW Law; on federal government responses to sea-level rise and coastal flooding at “Energy, Climate Disruption and Sea Level Rise” at Nova Southeastern University Law Center; on agency dysfunction and environmental enforcement at the “Scholars Meeting of the Center for Progressive Reform” in New York; and on regulatory safeguards for ecosystem service markets at “Waters of the United States: Adapting Law for Degradation and Drought” at the University of Kansas School of Law. He also made presentations on federalism and renewable energy for the State Department’s International Visitor Leadership Program.

Daniel I. Gordon spoke at World Bank programs on procurement issues in Geneva, Switzerland, and Tunis, Tunisia, in November 2013. Senior Adviser Gordon and Steven L. Schooner spoke at procurement workshops conducted in China in September 2013 by the World Trade Organization. Professor Schooner spoke in Xian, and Mr. Gordon spoke in Beijing. While in China, Mr. Gordon also made a presentation to graduate students and met with the dean of the Central University for Finance and Economics where Professor Cao Fuguo, a regular lecturer and former Fulbright Scholar at GW Law, was his host.

Jeffrey S. Gutman and the Public Justice Advocacy Clinic successfully represented the family of a journalist captured abroad in helping them obtain a conservatorship over the journalist’s financial affairs. Professor Gutman recently completed his term on the Board of Governors of the District of Columbia Bar. He continues to represent Donald Gates, Kirk Odom, and Santae Tribble, all wrongfully convicted of crimes that they did not commit, in civil actions against the District of Columbia.
David M. Johnson made three presentations to international audiences during the first half of 2014. He discussed “U.S. Lessons to Consider When Implementing the New Buenos Aires Province Criminal Jury System” with judges, professors, and graduate students specializing in criminal law at the Universidad Del Salvador in Buenos Aires, Argentina. He also taught “Introduction to U.S. Trial Advocacy” to the professor and students in a legal English course at the Universidad Del Salvador in Buenos Aires. He was filmed by Voice of America, Chinese Service, for a discussion on U.S. News & World Report’s law school rankings, which was translated into Chinese.

Susan R. Jones was a speaker on “Social Enterprises: Formation & Financing” at the ABA Forum on Affordable Housing and Community Development Law in Asheville, N.C., in October 2013. She also presented on two panels, “Social Justice Through Social Entrepreneurship” and “Including Economic Justice in a Social Justice Teaching Agenda: The Role of Clinics Representing Nonprofits, Small Businesses, and Social Enterprises,” at the Global Alliance for Justice Education conference held at Jindal Global Law School in Sonipat, India, in December. She was the keynote speaker at the October 2013 Joint Council Meeting of the ABA Section of Individual Rights and Responsibilities and the Commission on Homelessness and Poverty where she spoke on “The Role of Lawyers in Building Healthy Communities.” She was also a presenter on “Entrepreneurship and Reentry” at a November program co-sponsored by the U.S. Probation Office, the D.C. and Workforce Development Program, and American University Washington College of Law. During the AALS Annual Meeting in New York City in January she spoke at a program of the Section on Transactional Law and Skills titled “Value Creation by Business Lawyers in the 21st Century,” and presented a paper, “Viewing Value Creation by Business Lawyers Through the Lens of Transactional Legal Clinics,” which is forthcoming in the University of California, Davis Business Law Journal. In March she gave a talk on “Legal Clinics, Entrepreneurship, and Commerce,” at a program in Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic, co-sponsored by the Community Legal Services Center, the Autonomous University of Santo Domingo Judicial and Political Sciences School, and the Dominican Republic Ministry of Industry and Commerce and its office of the Vice-Minister for the Promotion of Small and Medium-Sized Businesses.

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International Institute of Higher Studies in Criminal Sciences in Siracusa, Italy, in September 2013; the State Department Advisory Committee on Public International Law in Washington, D.C., held at GW Law in June; and the American Law Institute on the Restatement (Fourth) of U.S. Foreign Relations Law in Philadelphia in February.

In May, Dawna C. Nunziato was part of “First Amendment Implications of the Regulation of Broadband Providers, Search Engines, and Social Media Sites” at George Mason University School of Law’s Conference on Competition, Search, and Social Media. In June she spoke on “The New Equilibrium for Balancing Freedom of Speech, Freedom of Information, and the Right to Informational Privacy” at the Conference of Experts on the Protection of Information and the Right to Privacy, organized by the UNESCO chair in information and computer ethics, at the European University Institute in Fiesole, Italy.

In October 2013, she was on the panel “U.S. Internet Policy on Regulating Content and Protecting the Free Flow of Information on the Internet,” which was part of the distinguished delegation from Shandong, China, hosted by the U.S.-China Business Training Center. Also in October, she spoke on “Protecting the Free Flow of Information on the Internet” as part of a distinguished delegation from the People’s Republic of China seminar on “Internet Policy, Governmental Internet Strategies, and New Media in the United States,” hosted by GW’s Institute for Public Diplomacy and Global Communication. In February she spoke on “The Continued Efficacy of First Amendment Precedent and Values in the Internet Age” at the Harvard Law Review Symposium on Freedom of the Press. In March, she was a moderator and commentator on an expert panel on “ICT Industry Policy Making on Free Expression and Privacy,” hosted by GW Law’s Global Internet Freedom and Human Rights Project.

In November, Lee Paddock presented a paper on “Regional Environmental Enforcement Networks in the United States” at an International Network for Environmental Compliance and Enforcement conference in Brussels and a paper on “Private Environmental Regulation” to an American Society of International Law-European Society of International Law conference in Geneva, Switzerland. In May, he presented a paper on hydraulic fracturing in the United States, comparing the practices in Pennsylvania with proposed regulations for New York state, at an International Bar Association Section on Environment, Energy, Resources, and Infrastructure Law conference in Berlin and at a symposium at Oxford University.

Scott B. Pagel served on the ABA Standards Review Committee, which has been tasked with a comprehensive revision of the ABA Standards and Rules of Procedure for Approval of Law Schools. He also served as chair of the ABA site team conducting a sabbatical inspection of the Duquesne University School of Law. He was appointed chair of the AALS Committee on Libraries and Technology for 2014.

Richard J. Pierce Jr. testified before congressional committees on FCC regulatory reform and the Social Security disability decision making process, taught a course on the U.S. legal system to Cambodian judges, and chaired a program on the presidential role in agency rulemaking at an ABA meeting.

Peter Raven-Hansen argued an appeal to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit in an action brought by victims of terrorism under the civil remedy provision of the Anti-Terrorism Act in addition to dispositive motions in similar cases in U.S. District Court. He participated in a panel on “Teaching the Lawyer’s Role in the National Security Process” at the ABA Standing Committee on Law and National Security’s Fourth Annual Seminar on Teaching National Security Law, held in Charlottesville, Virginia, and moderated a panel on “Prospects for Reform of FISA” in a program on “Foreign Intelligence Surveillance in an Era of ‘Big Data’: Is There a Need to Recalibrate Boundaries?”, co-sponsored by GW Law and the ABA Standing Committee on Law and National Security.

Stephen A. Saltzburg has been serving as a special master for Chief Judge David Herndon of the U.S. District Judge for the Southern District of Illinois in a multidistrict litigation involving lawsuits against Bayer and its birth control drugs, Yaz and Yasmin. Thousands of cases have already been settled in the litigation.


In February, Lisa M. Schenck was appointed by the Department of Defense (DoD) general counsel to serve without compensation for a three-year term on the Uniform Code of Military Justice Code Committee, pursuant to 10 U.S.C. § 946, as one of two non-DoD civilian members identified by statute as “a recognized authority in military justice or criminal law.” The Code Committee conducts an annual review and recommends changes to the secretary of defense, president, and Congress to improve military justice. The secretary of defense also appointed her as an unpaid special government employee to the DoD’s Response Systems to Adult Sexual Assault Crimes Panel (RSP) Victim Services Subcommittee. In 2013, the secretary of the Air Force appointed Associate Dean Schenck an unpaid special government employee to participate in the Air Force Scientific Advisory Board’s recent chartered study, “The Combating of Sexual Assault.”

Steven L. Schooner delivered the keynote address, “Combating Corruption in Public Procurement: Global Challenge, Domestic Concerns, and Solutions,” at the Latin America and Caribbean Regional Forum on Tackling Corruption and Collusion in Public Procurement: Latin America and the Caribbean in Panama City, Panama, in September 2013. In October, he presented a keynote luncheon address at the Coalition for Government Procurement’s 2013 fall training conference, “The New Federal Market,” in Falls Church, Va. In November, Professor Schooner discussed “Failed Government… Budget Uncertainty… Declining Spending… And Business As Usual,” at the Army Judge Advocate General School’s annual symposium, now called the Contract and Fiscal Law New Developments Course, in Charlottesville, Va. In December he gave a luncheon talk to the Procurement Division of the National Defense Industrial Association in Washington, D.C.

In June, Joshua I. Schwartz, together with Susan L. Karamanian, presented commentary on the Supreme Court’s May decision in Hall v. Florida, concerning the application of the death penalty to mentally handicapped defendants, at GW Law’s Summer Workshop Series. In August, with co-author Christopher Hall v. Florida.
R. Yukins, Professor Schwartz presented their paper “The EU and the U.S.—Two Procurement Regimes Separated by a Common Language” at the Sixth International Public Procurement Conference held in Dublin, Ireland.

Michael Selmi delivered “Title VII at 50” before the Labor Law Group at Cornell University in June and “Caregiving and Parenthood 2014: A Retrospective” at Denver University’s symposium on “Revisiting Sex Discrimination” in January.

Jonathan R. Siegel organized more than 100 law professors to oppose a potential change to the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure. The Advisory Committee on Civil Rules recently proposed eliminating the “Appendix on Forms” currently in the Rules. Professor Siegel argued, “The forms are more needed than ever to serve as models for lawyers and judges of just how simple and brief complaints can be under the federal rules.”

Jessica Steinberg presented a paper on an empirical access to justice project at the University of Wisconsin School of Law and the Law and Society conference. Professor Steinberg also served as the chair of the Poverty Law Section of the AALS this past year.

In April, Sonia Suter presented her paper “The First Amendment and Physician Speech in Reproductive Decision Making” as part of the Northeastern University School of Law conference, A Clash of Rights: Free Speech and Reproductive Autonomy.

Jessica Tillipman spoke at the September 2013 Food and Drug Law Institute’s Advertising and Promotion Conference about the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act. In November, she made a presentation during a program titled “Integrity in Aid-Financed Procurement—A Look at Anti-Corruption Standards for Aid-Financed Procurement,” during the World Bank Group’s Law, Justice, and Development Week. In December she made a presentation at the Board of Contract Appeals Bar Association Annual Conference during a program titled “Protecting the Whistleblower.” She also spoke about the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act at the Food and Drug Law Institute’s Enforcement, Litigation, and Compliance Conference, in a panel discussion titled “Criminal and Civil Enforcement: Domestic and International Developments.” Also in December, she moderated a panel on the U.N. Convention Against Corruption at a program hosted by GW Law and spoke about Edward Snowden and the sufficiency of government whistleblower protections at the Board of Contract Appeals Bar Association Annual Conference. In January she moderated a panel discussion for the ABA regarding the SEC, CFTC, and IRS whistleblower offices. In March, she made a presentation on the corruption risks associated with foreign military sales at the Federal Procurement Institute, and later that month made a presentation on legislative and litigation developments in suspension and debarment before the Council of the Inspectors General on Integrity and Efficiency and the Interagency Suspension and Debarment Committees. In May, she made a presentation at the World Bank Colloquium on Suspension & Debarment about debarment due process standards.

Jessica Tillipman and Christopher R. Yukins moderated two panel discussions during a daylong conference titled “The International Fight Against Corruption: Are the OECD and UN Conventions Achieving Their Objectives?” at GW Law in December.

The James F. Humphreys Complex Litigation Center’s Symposium on “Class Actions and Access to Justice,” organized and hosted by Roger H. Trangsrud, resulted in 17 papers by leading scholars and practitioners of class action litigation, which were published in Volume 82, Issue 3 of the George Washington University Law Review and in the inaugural issue of Arguendo, the Law Review’s new digital publication.

In February Jonathan Turley testified before the House Judiciary Committee for its hearing “Enforcing the President’s Constitutional Duty to Faithfully Execute the Laws,” which explored the options for Congress in resisting the encroachment of executive power. Professor Turley was critical of President George W. Bush and the sufficiency of government whistleblower protections at the Board of Contract Appeals Bar Association Annual Conference. In January she moderated a panel discussion for the ABA regarding the SEC, CFTC, and IRS whistleblower offices. In March, she made a presentation on the corruption risks associated with foreign military sales at the Federal Procurement Institute, and later that month made a presentation on legislative and litigation developments in suspension and debarment before the Council of the Inspectors General on Integrity and Efficiency and the Interagency Suspension and Debarment Committees. In May, she made a presentation at the World Bank Colloquium on Suspension & Debarment about debarment due process standards.

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In December, Arthur E. Wilmarth Jr. participated in a panel discussion analyzing the Federal Reserve System’s responses to financial crises at a GW conference commemorating the Federal Reserve’s centennial. He is currently assisting the Volcker Alliance’s Project on Structural Reform of the Federal Financial Regulatory Agencies.

In May, Christopher R. Yukins, Daniel I. Gordon, Steven L. Schooner, and Joshua I. Schwartz served together on a panel titled “The New WTO Government Procurement Agreement—Its Impact on World Procurement Markets,” part of an event co-sponsored by GW Law and the International Procurement Committees of the ABA Section of International Law and the ABA Public Contract Law Section.

AWARDS/HONORS

John F. Banzhaf III was called “A Crusading Lawyer Against the Tobacco Industry,” “One of America’s Premier Legal Activists,” the “Most Prominent Champion” of “Potty Parity,” and a “Legal Terrorist.” He found his quotations being collected on the Internet, his mathematics featured in articles and studied in schools, his accomplishments the subject of a case study, and information about him on flashcards. Professor Banzhaf was featured in a PBS special and on a VoA program in China, and he was also discussed in pieces in Brazil, Ukraine, and even Mongolia. His first law article was recently credited for contributing to hacker slang.

Paul Schiff Berman received the George Washington University Valor Excellence Award for demonstrated excellence in learning and service
to the benefit of GW student military members, veterans, and their families. He was also named Distinguished Scholar in Residence by the Center for Transnational Studies at the University of Bremen in Germany.

Arturo J. Carrillo was elected alternate academic board member of the Global Network Initiative (GNI).

The American Library Association designated Lawrence A. Cunningham’s book Contracts in the Real World: Stories of Popular Contracts and Why They Matter (Cambridge University Press 2012) the winner of the Choice Award for Outstanding Title. Contracts in the Real World was also the subject of a nine-paper symposium published in the Washington Law Review (2013). His 2001 book, How to Think Like Benjamin Graham and Invest Like Warren Buffett, was again honored in the 15-year retrospective of the semian- nual “JP Morgan Reading List,” where Professor Cunningham was asked about the writing process and inspiration along with authors including Malcolm Gladwell, Jim Collins, Tom Friedman, and Clive Davis.

Lisa M. Fairfax was elected chair of the Securities Regulation Section of the Association of American Law Schools.

Roger Anthony Fairfax was elected to the Council of the American Bar Association Criminal Justice Section. He was featured as one of the “50 Most Influential Minority Law Professors Under 50” by Lawyers of Color magazine.

The Australian government awarded the prestigious Endeavour Executive Fellowship to Iselin Gambert, who spent two months in the spring as a visiting scholar at Melbourne Law School. The fellowship is awarded to high-achieving professionals with the goal of allowing them to further develop their skills and international engagement. During her time in Australia, she collaborated with faculty on innovative ways to bring legal writing and professional development training into the law school curriculum.

Phyllis Goldfarb was appointed to a three-year term (2014-17) by Daniel Rodriguez, dean of Northwestern University School of Law and president of the Association of American Law Schools (AALS), to the AALS Committee on Clinical Legal Education. The committee advises the AALS Executive Committee on issues related to clinical legal education.


Laurie S. Kohn was appointed by D.C. Mayor Vincent C. Gray and confirmed by the D.C. Council to serve on the Domestic Violence Fatality Review Board. The board reviews and analyzes all domestic violence fatalities in the District in an effort to identify gaps in services and ultimately to enhance victim safety.

In April, Sean D. Murphy was elected a counselor of the American Society of International Law for a three-year term.

The Joint Center for Political and Economic Studies named Spencer A. Overton as its new interim president and CEO. The D.C.-based organization provides research and analysis to inform major policy debates, with an overarching mission to improve the socioeconomic status and political participation of people of color.

Abraham Pollack was elected to the board of directors of the Association for Legal Career Professionals (NALP).

Alfreda Robinson, JD ’78, received the Heman Marion Sweatt Award from the National Bar Association (NBA). The award honors individuals engaged in barrier-breaking work who display a commitment to excellence. In June, she was named a Champion of Justice of Judicial Diversity by the Greater Washington Area Chapter of the NBA’s Women Lawyers Division. Presently, she serves as the special assistant to the NBA president for finance and also as liaison to the American Bar Association’s Commission on the Future of Legal Services.

Catherine J. Ross became the senior fellow in the human and civil rights of children at the Center for Children and Social Engagement, a new international think tank and public interest group devoted to children’s educational, legal, health, nutritional, and other needs, with special focus on children in developing nations. The center has received initial funding from Feed the Children. Among other things, Professor Ross will be helping to develop the center’s agenda and writing regularly for the center’s online periodical, The Child.

Stephen A. Saltzburg was presented the ABA Grassroots Advocacy Award, given by the ABA Standing Committee on Governmental Affairs, which recognizes individuals and organizations that demonstrate leadership on matters of primary importance to the bar. He received the award for his outstanding efforts in support of some of the association’s most important policy positions as they relate to criminal justice.

In May, Lisa M. Schenck received the George Washington University Valor Excellence Award for demonstrated excellence in learning and service to the benefit of GW student military members, veterans, and their families.

Pázmány Péter Catholic University in Budapest, Hungary, awarded Dinah L. Shelton with the honorary title of Doctor Honoris Causa for her outstanding activity in the fields of human rights and environmental protection. Professor Shelton was also awarded the Goler T. Butcher Medal by the American Society of International Law (ASIL) for outstanding contributions to the development and effective realization of international human rights law.

Sophia Sim was elected a trustee of the Law School Admission Council, the national organization that administers the LSAT and provides services for prospective JD and LLM students.

Daniel J. Solove was selected to be a reporter for the American Law Institute’s Restatement of Privacy Law Principles, and will be leading the drafting of this project over the next few years.

The American Law Institute (ALI) announced the election of 69 new members, among them Daniel J. Solove and Edward T. Swaine. ALI elects individuals who “reflect the excellence and diversity of today’s legal profession” and who have demonstrated an interest in law reform. As part of the institute, Professors Solove and Swaine will produce scholarly work that clarifies, modernizes, and otherwise improves the law.