

# BERKELEY INTERNATIONAL LAW SOCIETY NEWSLETTER #5

## SPOTLIGHT EVENT

Professor David Caron, a professor at Boalt and an expert in international law, will discuss investment arbitration over lunch. This is a wonderful opportunity to meet a prominent faculty member and learn about an interesting and expanding practice area. Lunch will be served. See details below. We hope you can make it!

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### **Lunch talk with Prof. David Caron: "Investment Arbitration: Understanding the Structure of an Expanding Practice Area"**

When: Tuesday, November 18, 12:45– 1:45 pm, Boalt 123

Please join the International Law Society (ILS) and the Berkeley Journal of International Law (BJIL) for an informal lunch talk with Professor David Caron. Prof. Caron is an expert in international law. He currently teaches public international law, resolution of private international disputes, ocean law and policy, and the advanced international law writing workshop at Boalt. Lunch will be served.

## EVENTS AT BERKELEY LAW

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### **CDO: Student-to-Student Public Interest/Public Sector Career Fair**

When: Monday, November 17, 12:45-2 pm, Goldberg Room

Please join CDO for a Student-to-Student Public Interest/Public Sector Career Fair, a tabling event to provide students with the opportunity to get candid information and insight about public interest and government organizations where Boalt students have spent their summers. For first and second year students, this event is a chance to explore options for the upcoming summer.

### **CSLS Speaker Series**

When: Monday, November 17, 12:30-1:45 p.m., JSP Seminar Room, 2240 Piedmont Ave.

Talk by Trina Jones, University of California, Irvine, entitled "Coherence or Chaos in U.S. Anti-Discrimination Law: in Search of a Theory of Equality," 12:30-1:45p. A light lunch will be served 12-12:30p. More information on the Center's website.

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### **"Torture Team: Lawyers, Interrogations, Responsibilities" with Philippe Sands**

When: Tuesday, November 18, 5 pm, Booth Auditorium

Professor Philippe Sands will be visiting from University College London to discuss his book: "Torture Team: Rumsfeld Memo and the Betrayal of American Values."

- How the policy of abuse originated with Donald Rumsfeld, Dick Cheney and George W. Bush, and was promoted by their most senior lawyers;
- Personal accounts, through interview, of those most closely involved in the decisions;
- How the Joint Chiefs and normal military decision-making processes were circumvented;
- How Fox TV's 24 contributed to torture planning;
- How interrogation techniques were approved for use;
- How the new techniques were used on Mohammed Al Qahtani, alleged to be "the 20th hijacker;"
- How the senior lawyers who crafted the policy of abuse exposed themselves to the risk of war crimes charges.

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**Presentation on Summer Comparative Law Program in Paris**

When: Wednesday, November 19, 3 – 4 pm, Room 110

Visiting Professor David Oppenheimer will present information on a comparative law program offered by Golden Gate University and the University of Paris for June 2009.

**CDO: Legal Specialties Table Talk**

When: Wednesday, November 19, 5:30 – 7 pm, Goldberg Room

How does a "Mergers & Acquisitions" lawyer spend his or her day? What does a Products Liability lawyer do? Come learn the answers to these questions and much more. About 30 law firms and organizations representing different legal specialties will be here to answer your questions and help you figure out your questions and help you figure out what it all means. Also a wonderful networking opportunity!!

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**Earthjustice Presentation**

When: Thursday, November 20, 12:45-1:45 pm, Room 145

Two attorneys from Earthjustice will present on the organization's domestic and international work and discuss employment opportunities at Earthjustice. The two presenters will be Sarah Burt, an attorney in Earthjustice's International Program, and Erin Tobin, an attorney in the California office. Earthjustice is one of the preeminent public interest environmental law firms in the nation and does litigation and policy advocacy on a wide range of domestic and international issues.

**Faculty Tea with Jamie O'Connell**

When: Thursday, November 20, 4 pm – 5:30 pm, Room 107

Please join the Boalt Hall Committee for Human Rights (BHCHR) and the Human Rights Center (HRC) for an informal conversation with Jamie O'Connell, a Program Officer in the International Human Rights Law Clinic at Boalt. Jamie O'Connell has worked on human rights and development in over a dozen countries in Africa, the Americas, Asia, and Europe, under the

auspices of the United Nations, local and international non-governmental organizations, and academic institutions. He has particular expertise in transitional justice, post-conflict reconstruction, and democratic political development.

You will have the opportunity to ask him questions about his work, career path and interests in the human rights field. Tea and snacks will be served. All are welcome!

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**CDO: Summer Funding for Human Rights Work**

When: Tuesday, November 25, 12:45 – 1:45 pm, Room 121

If you are planning to do international human rights work this summer and are looking for ways to fund your work, please attend this information session. Rachel Shigekane, of the Human Rights Center at UC Berkeley, will talk about the Human Rights Center Fellowship Program, and 2L Krista Kshatriya will talk about her experience as an HRC Fellow. The Human Rights Center has sponsored more than 100 graduate and professional students to work with non-governmental organizations and human rights agencies in the U.S. and abroad. Linda Maranzana from the CDO will be on hand to go over some of the other major sources of funding for summer human rights work

**EVENTS ON CAMPUS**

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**International Graduate Student Reception**

When: Monday, November 17, 5:30 – 7 pm, Martin Luther King Jr. Union, Multicultural Center

International Student Affairs Committee invites you to celebrate the international student community at Berkeley! ISA committee works to address issues central to lives of international graduate students, such as the creation of new international student fellowships. Come meet our members and other international students, experience great music, and enjoy free food and beverages.

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**Climate Change and the Evolution of Property Rights**

When: Wednesday, November 19, 4-5:30 pm, 126 Barrows Hall

Colloquium with Holly Doremus, Professor of Law, UC Berkeley and UC Davis

Sponsored by Energy and Resources Group

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**The West and Russia after Georgia**

When: Thursday, November 20, 4-5:30 pm, 109 Moses Hall, IGS Library

Jeremy Kinsman, retired Canadian High Commissioner to the United Kingdom (2000-02) and the Canadian Ambassador to the European Union (2002-06), and now a Diplomat-in-Residence at Princeton University's Woodrow Wilson School of Public and International Affairs.

## **EVENTS OFF CAMPUS**

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### **Welcome to America? Security and Immigration in a Post-9/11 United States**

When: Monday, November 17, 6-7 pm, World Affairs Council Auditorium, San Francisco

Since the attacks of September 11th, the United States has tried to build new border defenses to keep out terrorists without stifling the flow of people and ideas from abroad that have built one of the world's most dynamic nations. But many of the new measures have instead cut America off from the world, punishing innocent people and discouraging the best and the brightest from coming here. In *The Closing of the American Border*, Edward Alden reports on the internal battles in the Bush administration over these new measures, and chronicles the tragic stories of many who have been hurt by what resulted.

This program is co-sponsored by the Council on Foreign Relations

*Advanced registration is recommended for guaranteed seating. However, pre-registration is not required and walk-ins on the day of this program are welcome.*

\*If you have questions, concerns or suggestions we would love to hear them. Please email us (Tetyana and Sonia) at this email address.\*