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News Highlights



USC Gould Kicks Off Historic \$150 Million Campaign

Luminaries from the legal profession, including Los Angeles County District Attorney Jackie Lacey, gathered in downtown Los Angeles on February 6 as USC Gould School of Law kicked off its \$150 million fundraising initiative. The gala event drew more than 200 friends, alums, administrators, faculty and student leaders to the historic Vibiana in Los Angeles.

USC President C. L. Max Nikias opened the evening's festivities by pointing to USC Gould's stellar reputation and commitment to legal innovation. Dean Robert Rasmussen, Los Angeles County District Attorney Jackie Lacey '82 and Chair of the Board of Councilors at Gould Ken Doran '81 shared how USC Gould and the Trojan Family have impacted their lives and careers.

[Read more about the campaign.](#)

[Watch the video.](#)



USC Gould Recruits Top Legal Scholars

USC Gould School of Law has recruited two nationally renowned scholars from Duke: Kim Krawiec and Mitu Gulati. Krawiec is a prominent expert in forbidden markets, insider trading and the effects of diversity in the boardroom. Her current research analyzes "taboo trades" - exchanges that are contested by society and, in some cases, forbidden altogether. Gulati's research includes contract evolution, sovereign debt restructuring, customary international law and judicial behavior. Gulati is currently conducting empirical research projects on the euro area debt crisis, judicial management and the question of how courts determine customary international law.

[Read more about Krawiec.](#)

[Read more about Gulati.](#)

Professor's New Book Examines Racial Inequality

Five years after the inauguration of the first black president, racial

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**FEBRUARY 11: APALSA
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**MARCH 4: 9TH ANNUAL SMALL
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RECEPTION**

**MARCH 5: CLE REAL ESTATE
LAW AND BUSINESS EVENT**

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**MARCH 27: LLSA 2014 JUDGES
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inequality lives on, reproducing itself in a vicious cycle. Even if all discrimination were to end tomorrow, self-reinforcing racial disparities would continue, according to the new book "Reproducing Racism: How Everyday Choices Lock in White Advantage," by USC Gould School of Law Professor Daria Roithmayr.

[Read more about the book.](#)

**CONTINUING LEGAL
EDUCATION**

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Capron to Study TB Prevention

Prof. Alexander Capron will study the effectiveness of legal measures to control tuberculosis in homeless shelters in a research project funded by the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation's Public Health Law Research program. Capron and co-investigator Peter Kerndt, M.D., M.P.H., director of the Tuberculosis Control Program for the Los Angeles County Department of Public Health will identify which legal mechanisms will best reduce TB cases among homeless people using emergency shelters.

[Read more about the study.](#)



Faculty in the News

Media outlets routinely seek USC Gould faculty for expert commentary. Following are a few highlights of recent faculty contributions to news stories and publications.

The Huffington Post (Jan. 18, 2014): An op-ed ran by Daria Roithmayr about income inequality dividing along racial lines. Despite assertions we live in a post-racial age, Roithmayr wrote, the wealth gap between whites and other racial groups persists. "A number of institutional 'feedback loops' parlay earlier advantage into continuing advantage," she wrote.

U.S. News & World Report (Jan 16, 2014): The USC Gould School's online master of laws program, which begins in fall 2014, was covered. For Brazilian lawyer Maria Marta Dias Heringer Lisboa, obtaining an LL.M in the U.S. would be an unrealized dream. Because she already has a career, the Gould School's online program is a better fit. "I love Los Angeles and I love the U.S." she says. "It's a dream. But two years is too much time. I need to work here because of my clients and because my law firm needs me here in-house," Maria said.

The New York Times (Jan 16, 2014): Scott Bice was quoted about the Roman Polanski legal case. "Judge Fidler's musings about public opinion were a legitimate concern for Mr. Polanski's legal team. If I had been a lawyer at the time, involved in the question of whether or not he was getting appropriate treatment from the court, that would have been relevant," Mr. Bice said. "I'd have wanted to know that," he said.

[See the full list of "Faculty in the News" highlights.](#)

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FEBRUARY 11: APALSA LAUNCHES ALUMNI MENTOR PROGRAM

The Asian Pacific American Law Students Association (APALSA) will launch an Alumni Mentor Program next semester. Alumni interested in sharing guidance and advice with the group, or who wish to make a contribution in support of APALSA, are encouraged to e-mail Nadine Tan '15 or Andy Guo '15 at nadine.tan.2015@lawmail.usc.edu. Please [click here](#) to learn more and register for the event.

MARCH 4: 9TH ANNUAL SMALL & MID-SIZED LAW FIRM RECEPTION

The USC Gould Career Services Office cordially invites you to attend the 9th Annual Small

& Mid-sized Law Firm Reception on Tuesday, March 4 from 6PM to 8PM. This annual event brings together attorneys practicing at small and mid-sized law firms in the greater Los Angeles area and current USC Gould students interested in learning more about practicing law at small to mid-sized law firms. Light hors d'oeuvres will be served and a host bar of beer and wine will be provided.

Please RSVP by Tuesday, February 25, by completing the [online registration form here](#).

Contact the Ron Han in the Career Services Office at 213-740-7397 or careers@law.usc.edu.

MARCH 5: CLE REAL ESTATE LAW AND BUSINESS EVENT

Hosted by the USC Gould School of Law, the Real Estate Law and Business forum provides the latest information on industry trends and offers real-world strategies for dealing with major challenges. It also provides face-to-face interaction with local public officials and industry experts from across the country. For more information [click here](#) or call the USC Gould Continuing Legal Education Office at 213.821.3580.

MARCH 18: CLE INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY EVENT

Hosted by the USC Gould School of Law, the Intellectual Property Institute has forged a reputation for gathering national speakers to analyze sophisticated topics and provide practical takeaways to attendees. The conference will focus on copyright, patent and trademark law. For more information [click here](#), or call the USC Gould Continuing Legal Education Office at 213.821.3580.

MARCH 27, 2014: LLSA 2014 JUDGES AND LAWYERS NIGHT

The Latino Law Students Association (LLSA) is hosting the annual Judges and Lawyers Night on March 27 at USC Town and Gown. This event brings together USC Gould students, alumni, faculty and friends to recognize members of the legal profession who have contributed to the Latino community and advanced legal rights and opportunities in society. This year, the keynote speaker at the event will be the Honorable Arthur Alarcon '51, who is currently serving as a senior judge for the Ninth Circuit Court United States Court of Appeals. Please mark your calendar and join LLSA for a wonderful evening celebrating members of the Latino Legal Community.

If you are interested in supporting LLSA or sponsoring this event, please contact Olga Pena at llsa@lawmail.usc.edu.

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