

an electronic newsletter for USC Gould alumni and friends

### **Announcements**



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## **News Highlights**

#### Joining the Trojan Family

This year's incoming class is once again truly stellar, despite a nationwide decline in applications. At orientation, USC Gould welcomed 192 new 1L students who boast a median GPA of 3.76 and a median LSAT of 166. Although official stats will not be reported to the ABA until October 5, as of

#### **Calendar**

#### **FEATURED EVENTS**

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today we have the best entering class in all of Southern California, beating among others, our crosstown rival!

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**MORE EVENTS** 



Profs. Brown and Rasmussen Honored with Chairs
USC Gould Prof. Rebecca Brown and former Dean Robert K.
Rasmussen were recently named holders of the Rader Family
Trustee Chair In Law and the J. Thomas McCarthy Trustee
Chair In Law, respectively. "I am very pleased and proud that
Bob and Rebecca will hold these important chairs," said USC
Gould Dean Andrew Guzman. "We are grateful to them as
well as the Rader and McCarthy families for endowing the
chairs."

## **Stay In Touch**









**MYLAW PORTAL** 



**USC Gould Students Make Legal Mark** 

A juvenile justice bill that was drafted and researched by USC Gould students was signed into law on September 1 by Gov. Jerry Brown. Ten USC law students in USC Gould's Legislative Policy Practicum spent a semester researching and drafting the bill and advocating for the new law, known as SB382. The law clarifies the criteria judges use when deciding whether certain juveniles will be transferred to the adult system to face sentences.

#### Links

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**High Court Victory** 

A USC Gould professor, an alumnus and five students played significant roles in the Supreme Court ruling that children's statements to their teachers are admissible as testimony in court. The ruling has a huge impact for those who work in child protection, according to Gould Professor Tom Lyon, a legal and child psychology scholar whose research and writings on child witnesses and child maltreatment influenced the majority decision and one of the concurring opinions.



**Rethinking Immigration Law** 

Emily Ryo's article Less Enforcement, More Compliance: Rethinking Unauthorized Migration, published in the UCLA Law Review, was highlighted by online journal Jotwell as one of the best recent works of legal scholarship in the field of immigration law.



**Making Campus Mental Health a Priority** 

The fifth annual Saks Institute for Mental Health Law, Policy and Ethics symposium, "Mental Health on Campus From Admission to Graduation: Keys to Success for University, Community College, and Veteran Students," brought together virtually every stakeholder from USC's campus, as well as key stakeholders from colleges from across the country to share strategies, policies and practicum.



#### Making a Difference

As judicial interns at international courts in The Hague, Netherlands, and in Phnom Penh, Cambodia, two Gould students from the International Human Rights Clinic were involved firsthand in the tribunals' efforts to prosecute people responsible for mass atrocities. Prof. Hannah Garry, director of the clinic, is a keen proponent of internships at international criminal tribunals because they teach students the law and skills necessary for practice in a globalized world.



#### **New Post-Conviction Justice Project (PCJP) Video**

The work of our clinics is what truly sets our law school apart. We have created a new video to showcase the impact of the PCJP work featuring students, faculty and even clients. Take a look by visiting https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2LSizI6mIW0

### **Faculty in the News**



#### CNN.com

Edward McCaffery wrote an op-ed about Donald Trump's tax reform proposals. "The Donald, in his typical staccato style, has started to spit out fragments of ideas about reforming taxes in America; specifically, lowering the corporate tax rate, eliminating gift and estate or so-called death taxes, and -- wait for this one -- raising taxes on the wealthy," McCaffery wrote. He added that Trump has a long way to go in providing details, but that he "ought to be applauded for throwing out some ideas -- any ideas -- about fundamentally fixing America's flawed tax system. None of the many other Republican candidates seeking the presidency has done anything truly resembling that."



#### **The Los Angeles Times**

Dan Simon co-authored an op-ed on police body camera policies. Despite opposition to allowing police officers to review body camera footage prior to filing their reports, doing so would be beneficial because the human memory is often faulty, Simon and his co-author wrote. "The heightened accountability might also nudge officers with violent dispositions out of the force, and thus make way for more amenable candidates," they wrote. Simon was also interviewed by KPCC about the LAPD's use of body cameras.



#### The National Law Journal

David Cruz was quoted about why the Supreme Court's decision to recognize same-sex marriage nationwide was not the final legal step in ending discrimination against LGBT people. "This decision is very much focused on the right to marry," Cruz said. "Even its equal-protect analysis relies upon that right rather than emphasizing the history of discrimination against gay, lesbian and bisexual people."

#### Calendar

## SEPTEMBER 19, 2015: USC GOULD ALUMNI ASSOCIATION ANNUAL TAILGATE

Join fellow alumni for an exclusive VIP tailgating experience in conjunction with USC Sports Properties. Spend the afternoon networking with classmates, enjoy unlimited food, hosted full bar and music while celebrating the USC football season. This event will take place at the Los Angeles Coliseum on Saturday, September 19, 2015 from 1:30 - 4:30 pm (3 1/2 hours prior to the USC vs. Stanford game). For more information about this event including pricing, please click here to register. Further questions, please contact Development and Graduate Relations at alumni@law.usc.edu or 213-821-3560.

## SEPTEMBER 29, 2015: MARRIAGE EQUALITY, RELIGIOUS FREEDOM AND THE LGBT COMMUNITY: A LOOK AHEAD

USC Lambda LGBT Alumni Association presents: "Marriage Equality, Religious Freedom and the LGBT Community: A Look Ahead." Join us as we discuss this monumental year in LGBT history and examine what's to come in the 2016 election cycle. The evening will begin with a one-on-one discussion with John Pérez, the first out LGBT Speaker of the California State Assembly, followed by a panel discussion with Rebecca Brown, Newton Professor of Constitutional Law at the USC Gould School of Law, and Larry Gross, a professor at the USC Annenberg School for Communication and Journalism. The panel will be moderated by Dan Schnur, director of the Jesse M. Unruh Institute of Politics at the USC Dornsife College of Letters, Arts and Sciences. This event will take place at Town and Gown from 6:00 pm — 8:00 pm. To register for this event, please click here.

# OCTOBER 1, 2015: HALF CENTURY TROJANS REUNION AND HALL OF FAME LUNCHEON

All Gould alumni who graduated 51 years ago or more from USC are cordially invited to attend the Half Century Trojans Reunion and Hall of Fame Luncheon. This complimentary event will begin with Experience USC Gould 2015 in The Carl M. and Carolyn C. Franklin Faculty Lounge, Room 433, Law School where alumni will meet Dean Andrew T. Guzman and hear his vision for the future of USC Gould and legal education. This will be followed by the 2015 Half Century Trojans Hall of Fame Luncheon where Gould Alumni Charles G. Bakaly Jr. '52 will be honored along with other Half Century Trojans. Please click here to register by September 18, 2015. For more information, please contact Rakib Haque with the Development and Graduate Relations office at 213.821.3569 or at rhaque@law.usc.edu.

## OCTOBER 17, 2015: INSTITUTE ON ENTERTAINMENT LAW AND BUSINESS

Norman Lear is headlining the 2015 Institute on Entertainment Law and Business. Lear will participate in a special luncheon conversation with Bruce Ramer on his experiences past and present, and thoughts on the state of the industry. Jeffrey Cole will return again to provide his ever-popular industry update. See the full program here.

Each of the last two Institutes sold out in advance with over 700 entertainment industry professionals, so register early for 2015 here. Questions, contact the USC Gould Continuing Legal Education office at 213.821.3580.

#### OCTOBER 28 - 29, 2015: RETHINKING RACE

Howard Winant, professor at UC Santa Barbara, and Cecilia Menjivar, professor at University of Kansas, will provide the keynote addresses at "Rethinking Race: USC Sociology's Centennial Celebration." The conference will take place in the USC Gould School of Law Faculty Lounge on October 28 from 3:00 pm to 6:30 pm and October 29 from 8:30 am to 4:30 pm. RSVP and view speakers and program details here.

**NOVEMBER 5, 2015: ROTH LECTURE FEAT. THE HON. LEO E. STRINE, JR.** 

This year's Justice Lester W. Roth Lecture will feature The Honorable Leo E. Strine, Jr., Chief Justice, Delaware Supreme Court. The lecture will begin at 4:00 pm in Room 1 in the Law School Building, with a reception immediately following. For more information contact the USC Gould Events Office at 213.740.3841 or at events@law.usc.edu

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USC Gould will present the 41st Annual Trust and Estate Conference on Friday, November 20, 2015, at the Westin Bonaventure Hotel in Downtown Los Angeles. The estate planning conference has provided California practitioners with high-quality continuing education, customized for trust, estate planning and probate professionals. For a preview of the programming, please click here.

Questions?

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