



Sturm College of Law

DU LAW EVENTS &
ANNOUNCEMENTS
FALL 2010

Please contact the Office of Alumni & Development with questions about these or other events at alumni@law.du.edu or 303.871.6940.

All events held at the Frank H. Ricketson Jr. Law Building unless otherwise indicated.

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DU LAW IN THE NEWS

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MESSAGES FROM THE DEAN

Law School Rankings

U.S. News has released its 2010 rankings of top law schools. Please [click here](#) for more details.

Strategic Plan

Dean Martin Katz is pleased to report that the second stage of the strategic planning process is complete, and implementation of the plan is underway. [View Dean Katz's complete message.](#)

10 New Faculty in Next 5 Years

DU Law will add 10 new tenured or tenure-track faculty members over the next 5 years. This will grow our faculty from 52 to 62. Additionally,

NEWS & EVENTS

William Shutkin named Rocky Mountain Land Use Institute Executive Director

William Shutkin has been named Executive Director of DU's Rocky Mountain Land Use Institute and is also a DU Law lecturer. A global leader in sustainability and social entrepreneurship, Bill has led several organizations at the nexus of environmental protection, community development and sustainability, including: the nation's premier environmental justice center, Boston-based Alternatives for Community & Environment; the pioneering green development research and consulting organization New Ecology, Inc. and; the Business Alliance for Local Living Economies. [Click here](#) for more information.

Rebecca Watson Named Distinguished Natural Resources Practitioner-in-Residence at DU Law

Rebecca Watson, JD'78, an attorney at Welborn Sullivan Meck & Tooley and former Assistant Secretary for Lands and Minerals Management of the U.S. Department of the Interior, has been named the A.T. Smith/Gerald J. Schissler Distinguished Natural Resources Practitioner-in-Residence at the University of Denver Sturm College of Law. Ms. Watson will teach and direct a semester-long program focused on the practical side of natural resources law.

Ms. Watson has more than 30 years of legal and policy experience in the fields of conventional and renewable energy, natural resources and federal environmental law. As Assistant Secretary of the Interior Department, she was the overseer of a \$1 billion budget and three bureaus, which together have the responsibility for management of federal energy resources and 262 million acres of public land. Prior to her service in the Interior Department, Ms. Watson served as the Assistant General Counsel for Energy Policy at the U. S. Department of Energy in the George H. W. Bush administration. Currently Ms. Watson focuses her practice on public land access and energy development for solar, wind, geothermal, wood biomass, and oil and gas with an emphasis on

last year, we reduced our class size from more than 350 entering students to 300 students. Please [click here](#) to read the entire message.

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DU LAW ALUMNI MAGAZINE

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New! [Search past issues of the DU Law Alumni Magazine](#) for articles, class notes and faculty highlights! »

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2011 Named & Endowed Scholarship Reception

January 27, 2011
6:00PM - 8:00PM

Open to all contributors of Named & Endowed Scholarships at the Sturm College of Law. Contact Jenny Savage with questions at jsavage@law.du.edu or 303-871-6398.

Attention DU Law Classes of 2001-2010...Save the Date!

DU Law graduates from 2001-2010 are invited to the annual Recent Grad Reunion & Hockey game on Friday, March 4, 2011. More details to follow soon!

DU Law Class 1961 50-Year Reunion!

Attention Class of 1961 alumni! Are you interested in helping with your 50-Year reunion? If so, please contact Director of Alumni Relations Laura Dean at ldean@law.du.edu or 303-871-6122. Thank you!

ALUMNI RESOURCES

The Alumni Volunteer Network Online

The Alumni Volunteer Network (AVN) program enables students to contact participating alumni and discuss specific practice areas, the legal profession in other cities and the overall benefits (and drawbacks) of a career in law. This program is a wonderful way to assist the next generation of DU Law alumni. Please visit the [Alumni Volunteer Network website](#) to register.

Keep up with DU Law Faculty Research

The Sturm College of Law recently joined the Social Science Research Network (SSRN), an on-line network of research databases that distributes information about scholarly research throughout the world. Subscribers to the DU Law Legal Studies Research Paper Series receive periodic email updates with the titles and abstracts of both finished articles and draft articles written by DU Law faculty. This is a quick and easy way to keep up to date on the most current research being conducted and disseminated by our faculty scholars. If you would like to subscribe to this FREE service, please visit the [SSRN website](#). If you have any questions about subscribing, please contact the Manager of Educational Technology, [Jessica Hagan](#).

Legal Externship Program

With more than 400 placements a year, the University of Denver Sturm College of Law's Legal Externship Program is an effective and comprehensive bridge to take students from law student to lawyer. Externs work with corporate in-house counsel, private firms, government and non-profit agencies, as well as with judges at all levels. The program welcomes new mentors. For more information please visit the [Externship Program Website](#).

Legislative Process Digital Collection

The Westminster Law Library at the University of Denver Sturm College of Law is proud to announce the release of a new digital collection, [Access for All: Providing a Window to the Legislative Process for Colorado's Citizens](#). This site provides searchable access to all *Colorado Legislative Council Research Publications*, links to relevant legislation for newer publications, and information on performing legislative history research at the state and federal level. For more information, please visit the [Westminster Law Library](#).

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