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MESSAGES FROM THE DEAN

Updates from Interim Dean Marty Katz

Bar Pass Results

The July 2009 bar pass results are out and first-time DU takers passed at a rate of 89% (before appeals), which marks the highest pass rate for DU in more than 20 years. [Click here](#) for more details.

Admissions Report

The class entering the SCOL this fall is an excellent one. It is almost exactly on target size-wise. Indicia for bar passage and *U.S. News* rankings are excellent. And while the class is not what we had hoped in terms of overall diversity, it represents a healthier mix of diversity than last year's class and also has taught us some valuable lessons that should bolster diversity measures next year. [Please click here to read the entire message.](#)

Strategic Planning Process

Our strategic planning process is going strong and is on schedule for completion in December. As I indicated in my August message, we are collecting data in 4 areas: (1) information about the College of Law via interviews of faculty, students and staff; (2) information from other stakeholders in the College of Law; (3) information about other law schools (peer schools and schools ranked above us); and (4) recent literature regarding analysis of and calls for change in legal education and the legal profession. [Please click here to read the entire message.](#)

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ALUMNI COMMUNITY

Stay connected with your classmates and other DU alumni! If you're a registered member of DU's free alumni online community, you can update your contact information, find other DU alumni, "bookmark" your alumni friends and classmates, and submit class notes.

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DU LAW ALUMNI MAGAZINE

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

EVENTS

Externship Program Mentor Training & Reception December 2, 2009 4:00PM-6:00PM

The University of Denver Sturm College of Law is hosting a **Mentor Training** for mentors in the Externship Program. Discussion topics will include **Mentoring Techniques** and **Ideas for Effective Mentoring**.

The session will be followed by a reception. 2 CLE credits (*applied for*). **RSVP by November 27, 2009**. For more information or to register please contact [Charlotte Collinsworth](#).

Finding the Right Fit: Is Your Job Still Right For You? Friday, November 20, 2009 2:00PM-5:00PM Room 259, Ricketson Law Building

Maybe it's the economy and stress or maybe it's the type of law you practice...or maybe it is just time for a change. No matter what the reason, you may not be sure you want to keep practicing the same (or any) type of law. While the thought of getting out of the legal profession or changing your practice area may have been inconceivable when you graduated from law school, now you may be accepting this fact. But what to do? Is this the right time for a change-and more importantly-what should that change be? This self-exploratory workshop is the first step in answering these questions. Presented by Anna Conrad, President, Impact Leadership Solutions and the DU Law Career Development Center.

Space is limited to 25 attendees. RSVP required. Please email [Misae Nishikura](#) to register. [Click here](#) for more information.

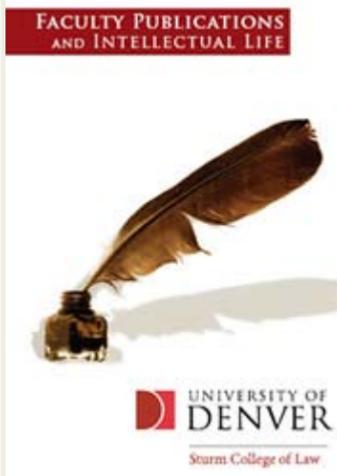
New DU Law Alumni Director: Laura Dean



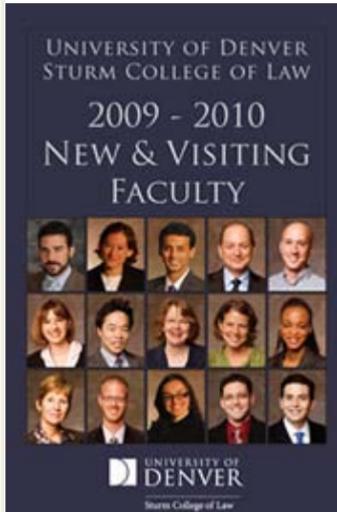
Laura Dean returns to the University of Denver Sturm College of Law as director of Alumni Relations on December 1, 2009. Following her previous tenure at the law school, Laura served as the manager of Professional Development at Holland & Hart LLP. During her time at H&H, she built a comprehensive training program for the attorneys and paralegals. She left after five years to join Johnson & Wales University as the director of Experiential Education & Career Services. In her role at JWU, she oversaw the internship program, career services and employer relations. Dean served as director of reunions at Southern Methodist University before moving to Colorado in January of 2000 when she accepted the alumni director position at DU Law. Her proudest accomplishment at DU was the creation of the Alumni Volunteer Network (now called the Alumni Career Network), which linked students with alumni mentors. Dean is very excited to return to the law school and she looks forward to developing new initiatives and connecting alumni to the law school in meaningful ways.

DU Law Faculty Announcements & Publications ONLINE

We are always striving to provide our alumni with updates and information about the academic highlights and achievements of DU Law faculty members. Below are links to two recent publications displaying the extraordinary diversity of scholarship and accomplishments of our faculty.



Interested in DU Law faculty academic highlights?
Click the cover icon to explore the intellectual lives of our faculty.



Join us in welcoming the 2009-2010 new and visiting faculty at DU Law. Click the image to view.

Dean Emeritus Dan Hoffman Memorial Collection

Dan Hoffman meant a great deal to the law school. He received his L.L.B. degree from DU in 1958, and he served as our dean from 1978 to 1984. But that wasn't the end of Dan's commitment to DU Law. He was planning to teach Advanced Civil Procedure as an adjunct this coming spring and was scheduled to meet with the faculty who teach Civil Procedure the very week he fell ill.

DU Law has lost a true friend and I urge each of you who knew Dan to add your condolences and memories to the collection the law school is putting together for his family. Please send your notes to rememberingdan@law.du.edu.

Deep thanks,

Associate Professor K.K. DuVivier

2009 DU Law Stars- Online Video

[Click here](#) to view the 2009 DU Law Stars dinner online.

[Click here](#) to nominate an outstanding individual for Law Stars 2010!

ALUMNI RESOURCES

Employment Opportunity

Contract Attorney Information Session Thursday, November 12, 2009, 12:00PM-1:00PM Room 180

Presented by Gibson Arnold & Associates and the Career Development Center

The national legal search firm, Gibson Arnold & Associates, Inc. ("GAA"), has contacted DU Sturm College of Law in search of talented attorneys to staff current on-going document review projects as well as future document review projects. The document review is an essential part of the discovery process. Candidates should have excellent attention to detail and extensive computer skills. Candidates will be reviewing a variety of documents for responsive and privileged content. Lunch will be provided. No RSVP required.

The Alumni Career Network Online

The Alumni Career Network (ACN) 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 Career 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 Hogan](#).

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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