Prof. Christine Cimini to hold inaugural Robert V. Yegge Clinical Director chair

The University of Denver Sturm College of Law is pleased to announce the establishment of a new chair, the Ronald V. Yegge Clinical Director. The first person to hold this chair will be Prof. Christine Cimini.

This endowment was created by the late Dean Robert B. Yegge (aka Bob) and his mother, Fairy, to honor Dean Yegge's father, and was funded by them and a number of generous alumni. The purpose of this chair is to attract and retain top-line talent to direct our clinic. “I cannot think of a better inaugural chair than Christine,” said Dean Marty Katz.

Prof. Cimini’s bio follows; to view her faculty web page, which includes links to her scholarship and CV, please click here.

Associate Professor Christine Cimini is the director of Clinical Programs at the University of Denver Sturm College of Law. Prior to arriving at DU, from 1993-1996, Cimini was a Robert M. Cover Fellow in Clinical Teaching at the Yale Law School. Since arriving at DU, she spent one year visiting at Cornell University Law School. Her publications include a three-part series on welfare reform and due process and a recent focus on legal issues that arise when representing undocumented immigrant workers. Cimini’s most recent article entitled Ask, Don’t Tell: Ethical Issues Surrounding Undocumented Workers’ Status in Employment Litigation was published in the Stanford Law Review. Other articles have been published in the Maryland Law Review, the Rutgers Law Review and the Georgetown Journal on Poverty Law and Policy.

Prof. Cimini teaches in the Civil Litigation Clinic where she utilizes an innovative teaching design in which students engage in individual and community representation in a variety of substantive areas depending on current community needs. In the past, the focus of clinic representation has included immigrant laborer issues, predatory lending, housing and domestic violence. Cimini and her clinic students received the Clinical Legal Education Award for Excellence in Public Interest Project in May of 2002 for their work addressing the problem of predatory lending in Denver.

Cimini served for two terms as a member of the Board of Directors of the Clinical Legal Education Association, is currently co-chair of the AALS, Clinical Section, Regional Conference Committee, a member of the AALS, Clinical Section, Scholarship Committee and a member of the Clinical and Skills Education Committee of the ABA Section of Legal Education and Admissions to the Bar.