

Administration proposes controversial budget allocation to fund construction on Law Library

By D. Fowley

Dean Jeremy Paul announced the unfortunate closing and eventual demolition of our beloved Law School Library. Following the 2011 natural disasters, the school felt that it was necessary to conduct an investigation into potential structural damage to the buildings. While the older buildings maintained their structural integrity, the library was found to have incurred severe damage to its foundation.

Specifically, the report found that the 2011 late summer earthquake felt throughout the east coast was the likely cause of the majority of the damage to the library. Additionally, October Snowstorm Janine compounded the already fragile foundation, making the building structurally unsound and potentially hazardous.

In an interview with Dean Paul, the

Dean proclaimed that, "Despite everyone's best efforts to preserve the law school's library through its many structural issues, at this point, it is safer for the students and the library staff to close the library. We are going to use this opportunity to our advantage though and update the building. We will be donating the law books to other institutions and rebuild it to host a state of the art electronic library utilizing computer terminals."

In order to fund this endeavor, the administration has proposed diverting funds from the student activity fee. In order to comply with the requirements surrounding the use of these particular funds, the proposed library will house an entire floor devoted to student activities including a state of the art lounge with a fire place. Per the Student Animal Legal Defense Funds's lobbying efforts, all furniture and items used in

the newly constructed library will be environmentally safe and animal cruelty free.

The administration is proposing new SBA regulations which will prohibit funding food at student group events to raise the money from the student activity fee. Students will have to provide food for themselves should they wish to have it events. No student groups will be exempt from this requirement and all events from group meetings and the Fall Ball will no longer have food provided by SBA.

The Administration will propose these changes to the SBA at the next SBA meeting on March 27 at 9:30pm. Student group leaders are encouraged to attend and comment on these proposed changes.

Dean Paul invites students to contact him with questions and concerns.

Concerning criteria for fellowship position unearthed

Pro Se discovered this redacted document in the shared Student Activities Office. We believe that it belongs to a student group, but have been unable to confirm or deny its origin. What we have reproduced below is a complete and accurate representation of this mysterious document. We welcome any information with regards to its origins.

Admission to the Connecticut Public [redacted] Fellowship Program shall be predicated upon the applicant's belief in the [redacted]. Any and all links to Freemasonry shall be outright [redacted] as are any questions directed toward this group's involvement in the Co [redacted] True [redacted] Sons ("CSSTF"). Any Applicant making reference to either shall be summarily denied. Proper admittance is most easily achieved by appearing to rely upon controversial identifiers within the Applicant.

We recommend making the selection appear to be based on religion, race, gender, or sexual preference to divert [redacted]

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UConn Law proposes satellite campus to boost rankings

By J.F. Byers

UConn Law administrators have begun the arduous task of examining possible locations for the development of a satellite campus. This location would offer housing for students, who would attend class via skype with the Connecticut campus. A select group of professors would teach classes exclusively at the satellite campus. The administration anticipates that the addition of a campus in a more appealing location will benefit the law school both by drawing a high caliber of new students and by boosting rankings by virtue of having a second campus.

First, the administration looked to Florida as a possible location for the satellite campus under the theory that a sunny location would draw those students seeking warmer weather that wintery Connecticut fails to attract. The administration selected this location as the first of a number of possible alternatives due to the high application rates to universities in Florida and the data compiled reflecting a high volume

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Article II Section 1 Society hosts first and last symposium

By C.G.B. Spender

Amid a festive atmosphere in Starr Hall's Reading Room, the newly formed Article II Section 1 Society held its first symposium. Speakers, students and members of the law school community eagerly listened to speeches and broke into working groups to discuss the qualifications for President of the United States, specifically focusing on natural-born citizenship.

Students organized the Article II Society in 2010, which only became official this year. Interest in the group waned after President Barack Obama produced his long form birth certificate. However, shortly after national employment figures began to improve, students pushed for recognition by the school.

The symposium brought together UConn Law students and political activists from across

the country. Attendees rejected the term "birther," saying it was unfair and derogatory. The discussion got very heated and one student proclaimed that it was like referring to a heavy user of marijuana as a pothead.

The key note speaker at the symposium was Orly Taitz, a well-known presidential citizenship activist. "None of you should be ashamed of what you do!" Taitz declared. "We all want the law to be upheld," she continued to thunderous applause. Taitz, like many attendees, is a Republican. However, it would be wrong to call the event partisan. Newt Gunray, a UConn Law student and Democrat said he loved President Obama's policies but added, "I should not be allowed to vote for him, period! Only citizens should be president!"

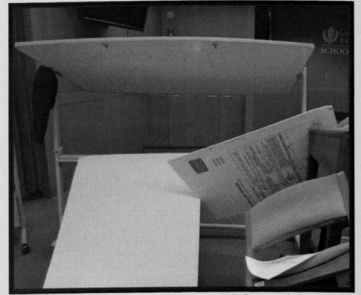
Working groups included, "Falsifying Birth Announce-

ments," "Stanley Can't be a Woman" and "OGUB" or Other Grossly Unsubstantiated Beliefs.

Professor Jean Smorgsbord, a prospective visiting Professor in Leash Law and the society's faculty advisor, led the "Hawaii Committee." The group postulated that the president was born in Hawaii, but that it was not a valid state. "Seriously, can you look at Hawaii and honestly tell me it isn't a liberal conspiracy?" Smorgsbord asked to agreeable murmuring from the group.

Biff Tannen, the society's president, was proud of the event despite the controversy surrounding whether Donald Trump would make an appearance. "I admire Trump's work on this issue, but his acceptance of the long form forgery has lowered my estimation of him greatly!"

Joe Arpaio, an Arizona sheriff, addressed the symposium via Skype. He told the group that



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Destruction following Article II Section 1 Society's symposium

anybody with a few friends can make a difference. "In today's world, technology and paranoia make it possible for anyone to have a role in exposing the truth," he said.

Despite the initial cordial atmosphere, since its first and only event ended in a mass riot and a broken light fixture, the group will be disbanded and is no longer allowed on campus.

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Transcript from the Newsroom

Pro Se would like to introduce its newest article – the Transcript From the Newsroom. We feel that, by supplying our dedicated readers with snippets of conversation from the newsroom, readers will gain valuable insight about the construction of their newspaper. By making the layout process more transparent, we hope to ensure the quality that we wish to deliver.

I wrote my article on sticky notes. Is that a problem?

I think that ice cream and *Pro Se* is a good combination.

Can you send the Florida pic?

-The S & M one?

Yeah, that one.

I like how we keep moving it up... Why... Because we like it so much...

Clearly, you aren't cultured enough to enjoy my music.

We could also listen to Con Law lectures.

-No. I object.

Don't we need to pick one of those pictures of happy lumberjacks?

-Dancing lumberjacks?

-- 20 minutes of hot lumberjacks later -- I did tell you to look through the lumberjack pictures. This is my fault.

You're such a creeper.

-Why, because I creeped on those guys?

No, because you send me pictures with the title "S & M, baby. S...and...M"

I don't like vampires.

-Don't worry. These aren't vampires. These sparkle.

What do you mean the vampires sparkle? Vampires don't sparkle.

-They don't break into your house to watch you sleep either, but that memo was never received.

-He watches her sleep?

Have you seen this guy? This is my

other man. My other homeboy...my ex-husband. I have a lot of them. Look, he's good with children – not that that matters because I don't want any.

-Slow down, I can't write all this. Look at his arms. They melt butter, man.

Whoops! I think I grabbed the wrong one!

-What did you do? What. Did.

You. Do?

Your mom.

I can't work with you people. You...you don't understand my genius.

I love that noise.

-Oh, I know you love that noise. You listen to that noise alllllllll night long.

Is this your home?

-It is right now.

I stomp. And then drag my foot like an angry bull.

-I'm glad you felt the need to act that out.

Bite me.

-Where?

--Anywhere you want.

This is going to be really spread out. Hey! Hey! (creepy smile)

That's how you do things. You go in there and handle it. You handle stuff.

The Mind-Link Begineth

My brain is broken.

A Career Services job survey yields unusual employment options

By M. Frohike

Given the tough economy and our falling rankings in U.S. News & World Report students are increasingly looking to non-legal options to pay off their student loans. We have acquired a list of popular post-graduation jobs from career services and here we share the five most unusual responses to the annual job survey:

1. Truffles Daily Special Fellow — As the demand for buffalo chicken wraps and yard bird sandwiches explodes the crew at Truffles can no longer write these e-mails themselves. They now have a dedicated law student filling our inbox with their daily deliciousness.

2. Law Library Public Patron — Recognizing that there are not enough regular public patrons using the workstations in the law library, several former students are now using them for eight hour stretches. Their revenue source is unclear but when asked they mumble something about search engine optimization and using social media.

3. Law Student Matchmaker — Inspired by Will Smith in the hit movie "Hitch," several entrepreneurial students began tackling the poor state of dating in Hartford. Soon you too will be able to meet the medical, dental, or social work masters student of your dreams, and you will no longer have to drink away your single sorrows alone at the end of Spring Fling.

4. The Mystery Gunners — We've all seen him or her. That person nobody knows that shows up to a class and seems to have done a little too much reading, that knows a little too much, and makes the rest of us feel like we just aren't trying. Law students? Nope, just 3Ls of years past planted by the professors to keep you on your toes. Keep calm and carry on, they aren't taking the final.

5. Stunt Double — You see your friends in class all the time, yet they always seem to be talking about going out drinking. You start to get suspicious and you should be. They've hired a stunt double to attend class for them. Superior acting skills, plastic surgery, and voice control allow them to take the place of your friends so they can be at Half Door while you are in Civil Procedure trying to untangle the difference between defensive and offensive collateral estoppel.

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from the [REDACTED], preserving belief in the Great Architect of the Universe. This belief may be difficult to glean from each application; however, several key words are probative of Applicant's true belief. Any reference to "[REDACTED]" "[REDACTED]" or "hen" shall be taken as indicative of a well-qualified applicant. Questions shall not be designed to elicit any of these key words as it could result in an unworthy Applicant appearing to be worthy of the honor of becoming a member of CSSTF. Many worthy Applicants may fail to provide you with these secret keywords, especially if your local chapter abides by the proper [REDACTED].

For this reason we recommend you also conduct live, in-person interviews of each Applicant. These interviews allow you to allow the [REDACTED] to provide the [REDACTED] grip upon completion of the interview. If the correct grip is given for the current moon cycle it shall be taken as a [REDACTED] indicator of an Applicant's worthiness. These interviews also allow an Applicant to display any number of proper signs, both directly on the Applicant and in any reference or display. It is important to remain attentive and keep the Applicant busy with seemingly important questions in order to allow observance of any possible [REDACTED]. Before conducting these interviews please verify the most recent signs with your local lodge as many lodges have begun to change them far more often than the mere [REDACTED] in order to avoid acknowledgment of any false members. Any applicant found to be a false or non-member shall continue the application process as scheduled but shall be summarily denied a fellowship on grounds of [REDACTED].

Many universities now require detailed scoring systems so be sure to have heavily weighted categories towards just how beneficial you believe their proposed pro bono work will be, and categories reliant upon geography or relevant [REDACTED] market can also be included to help propel worthy Applicants into the [REDACTED]. For it is these Fellows who truly are the future of our great society, and those worthy of pursuing the [REDACTED]'s wishes. Any and all questions as to Applicant's viability shall be directed to your local den at a time in which [REDACTED] is assured.

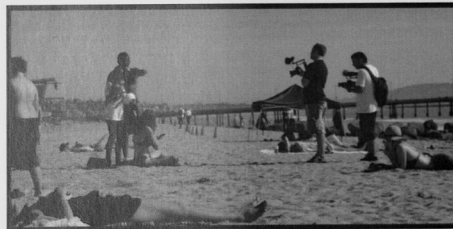
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of students flying into Florida during various parts of the year. It felt that this information showed that Florida was a desirable location for students to attend school.

After examining possible locations for the campus in Florida, however, concerns arose about possible "distracting factors" that might disrupt the education process and deter people from attending class. In particular, when representatives from the Law School went down to explore a possible site on Anna Maria Island this March, they witnessed and documented a large number of students engaged in activities other than studying. *Pro Se* was able to obtain one of the photo's documenting the students' activities that concerned the Administration.

After determining that such a location may prove too distracting, the administration began looking into other possible locations for the satel-



UConn/Skinner

Investigators were asked to participate in a sports game involving leather, flippers, gas masks and something that looked like a whip.

lite campus. The next place examined was Quebec, Canada, in the hopes of drawing a stronger international student population. The administration expected much less "distracting behavior" and that the cold weather would discourage outside activities. Reports compiled about this region unearthed some concerning activity by young people during certain parts of the year, as encapsulated in leaked photos, leading to the Administration's ultimate

disposal of Quebec as a possible location for the satellite campus. Well, that and the dancing lumberjacks.

The Administration is presently examining Nome, Alaska, Belmont, Kentucky, and Cotati, California as possible locations for a satellite campus. As an alternative, the Law School will institute policies designed to enhance global warming so as to alter Connecticut to the point that it captures the demographic of students seeking warm weather. *Pro Se* will report further information as it becomes available.



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UConn Law uncertain of viability of proposed Quebec location

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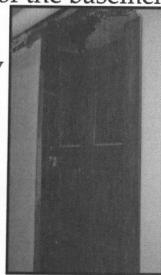
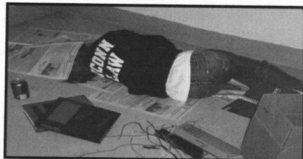
Mysteries of the Law School Revealed

Welcome to *Pro Se's* latest column where we investigate real questions that you have about the law school. We have put together a team of our best investigative reporters to delve deep into the secrets of the school and report back answers to the questions that are on everyone's mind. In this edition our team risked expulsion and arrest to bring the answers to these intriguing mysteries:

Where are the rumored "secret passageways" located?

The Investigative Team explored the law school campus under the cover of darkness (the only time we could all meet) hoping to discover whether secret passageways exist in the Law School. Naturally, we began scouring the basements of all of the buildings expecting to easily find random passageways. While we discovered several "interesting" rooms that apparently serve no purpose other than to house creepy machinery, we soon grew frustrated that such passages did not actually exist, despite the rumors and the weird architecture of Hosmer.

Frustrated, we attempted to find our way out of the basement and opened what we thought was a door to the stairwell. Instead we found ourselves in a dark corridor. There we discovered a partially opened wooden door, which we carefully pushed all the way open. What we found was disturbing:



We made a strategic retreat:



When we had recovered our courage and tried to return to the passage, we found that we could not locate the corridor, the door we went through, or the secret passageway. We returned to the newsroom to discuss our findings and to record our

discoveries. Upon closer inspection of our hastily procured evidence, we feel that we may have discovered the source of UConn's wireless problem. These photos remain the only evidence that such a passage exists. For now, the location of these rumored passageways will have to remain a mystery. However, keep your eyes open.



In our next edition, we will explore the mystery behind the hours of Truffles and will update our findings on the rumored secret passageways within the law school.

Do you have a secret about the law school that you want us to unveil? Something that you have always wondered about the school, but never been able to figure out the answer to? Email us at prose@students.law.uconn.edu and our investigative team will try to unravel your questions about the law school.

Madoff new graduation speaker

By D. Scully

In a surprising turn of events, UConn Law's Dean Jeremy Paul announced this week that the Law School has managed to obtain Bernie Madoff, befallen businessman and Ponzi scheme operator, to deliver this year's commencement address.

Madoff made history in 2009 when he pled guilty to defrauding thousands of investors of several billion dollars through his wealth management business. Paul said that the Law School chose Madoff to deliver the address in part because of his "do what you have to do" work ethic that will serve as a useful and practical message to Law School graduates entering the workforce in this lagging economy.

First Lady Michelle Obama and His Holiness the Dalai Lama were both asked to deliver this year's address, but after the Law School's drop in the U.S. News rank-

ings, they both rescinded their acceptance. The Law School has since invited every member of the U.S. Congress, who all rejected, saying they "only speak at Top 50 Law Schools." Paul said that Madoff agreed to the speaking engagement because Madoff "owed him a favor," but declined to elaborate further.

Madoff, who is currently serving out a prison sentence, will deliver the Commencement address via live prison video stream.

In an interview, Madoff said that his own substantial experience with lawyers over the past few years has given him a unique insight into the profession. He said that he was still ironing out the details of his speech, but that the theme will be "Just Don't Get Caught."

Dean Paul also announced that the Law School will bestow honorary degrees upon Jerry Springer and The Jersey Shore's Mike "The Situation" Sorrentino.

ATTENTION LAW STUDENTS:

The Administration has requested that you stop using these statements. The school has been receiving complaints from the local community.

By M. Reyes

I give you permission to search and seize.

Do our future interests include rights of entry?

Miranda never warned me about you.

I have a reasonable suspicion that you'll cause me to fall head over heels.

It's *Erie* I haven't seen you in Civ Pro before.

A reasonable person would say yes to dinner with me next week.

Can I physically intrude on your expectation of privacy?

Hey, check out my briefs.

When I think of you, I become fully vested

Are you into reverse bifurcation?

PRO SE COMPETITION:

Pro Se invites its readers to find the most factually accurate article in this issue of *Pro Se*. E-mail your answer to prose@students.law.uconn.edu. Students, staff, and faculty are eligible to enter. Each reader is allowed one guess. The first person to guess correctly wins the mystery prize.

Yes, it's an actual prize.