2020 January Term Lecture Series Earn CLE Credits! Friday, January 10, 2020

Our January Term (J-Term) Program, established in 2005, gives Richardson Law students a bonus of specialized minicourses taught by some of the world's leading scholars, professors, and judges. This year the final classes in the following courses are available for CLE credit and are open to the public.

LAW546J: BASIC PRINCIPLES OF FEDERAL INDIAN LAW

Professor Stephen Pevar

9:00 am to 11:15 am in Classroom 2

2.25 CLE Credits

Federal Indian Law has been shaped by history, political expediency, and racism. The subject is controversial, complex, fascinating, and often appalling. This introductory course includes a review of laws, treaties, and court decisions as well as the underlying and often changing attitudes that helped shape the relationship between the original inhabitants of mainland United States and those who came later. Virtually every major principle in Federal Indian Law will be discussed, although some in more depth than others given the condensed nature of this course.

The January 10 class will discuss three very important Supreme Court cases involving tribal treaty rights, state taxation in Indian country, and tribal hunting and fishing rights. The class will examine all three cases, discussing both the underlying facts and the principles announced. In addition, this class will discuss two of Congress's most significant laws involving tribal sovereignty: the Indian Civil Rights Act of 1968, the only law ever passed that curbs tribal self-government, and the Indian Child Welfare Act of 1978, the single most important statute ever passed designed to protect Indian children, Indian families, and the future of Indian tribes.

LAW5461: THE ETHICAL LAWYER: ZEALOUS PARTISAN ADVOCATE, MORAL ACTOR, TRUSTEE OF JUSTICE

Professor Stephen Wizner

2:45 pm to 5:00 pm in Classroom 2

2.25 CLE Credits

What does it mean to be an "ethical lawyer" in a legal world in which the standard lawyer's role as a zealous partisan advocate in the adversary system, as prescribed or authorized by the Rules of Professional Conduct, may justify morally questionable actions and unjust results?

The ethical issues we will consider in the assigned readings and class meetings involve basic rules of professional responsibility set forth in the Rules of Professional Conduct, including loyalty to clients, client control of legal objectives, confidentiality, best interests of clients, fairness to adversaries and third parties, candor to courts, and other ethical duties of lawyers.

Hawaii has adopted the ABA Model Rules of Professional Conduct, which are the basic text for the course. They are available online.

The course is open to all law students, whether or not they have taken the course in Professional Responsibility. Required readings will include cases and articles posted on the course website. Students will be expected to participate in class discussions.

The January 10 class will discuss if one can be a good lawyer and a good person? Legal ethics, common morality, and justice.

LAW546C: STARTUP COMPANY GOVERNANCE: TAMING UNICORNS

Professor Renee M. Jones

5:30 pm to 7:00 pm in Classroom 2

1.5 CLE Credits

This seminar provides an overview of the process of financing a startup company, including the corporate and securities laws that govern these transactions. We will look at the financing process from the perspective of the founders, investors, and employees. We will study the business and legal challenges a company faces as it moves through each stage of financing. After reviewing the legal parameters that govern financing transactions, we will examine governance problems that arise at unicorns — large private companies valued at \$1 billion or more. We will review proposals to further deregulate private securities markets and consider the impact of these changes on unicorn investors and employees. Prior coursework in business associations or securities law will be helpful, but is not required for the course.

The January 10 class will focus on Unicorn Governance and the Impact on Unicorn Employees.

*LIMITED TO THE FIRST 25 ATTORNEYS WHO RSVP PER CLASS SESSION.

YOU MAY ONLY ATTEND ONE SESSION.

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