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Part of the appeal of Campbell Law has always been our close-knit community. As classes graduate and our personal and professional lives head in different directions, staying in touch isn’t always easy. Over the course of the past year, we’ve made a concerted effort to do a better job of connecting our alumni to one another and the law school.

Last September we welcomed our new director of alumni relations and annual giving, Megan West. Since her arrival, Megan has worked to develop and strengthen relationships with our alumni community. In addition to those duties, Megan and director of development Trudi Brown are working to lay the foundation for a much-needed Campbell Law alumni association. Once launched, we are confident that our alumni association will provide robust networking and referral opportunities for our graduates, and will help our alumni stay informed of what’s happening on campus.

Collectively we’ve had the pleasure to visit with hundreds of our alumni across 13 events since last September. As the summer continues and annual meetings and conferences take place, we will be able to touch base with even more of you. Each meeting is extremely fruitful in helping Campbell Law to reestablish relationships and open dialogue.

The value that informed and engaged alumni bring to our law school community simply cannot be expressed by words alone. Through the cultivation of these relationships, we often find graduates that are eager to come back and assist our students in any number of ways, and it’s precisely that type of action that has always made Campbell Law the place that we cherish.

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Connect With Us!

Our alumni serve a vital role within the Campbell Law community, and are frequently called upon to assist with volunteer opportunities, recruiting, assisting with mock interviews, informing us of market opportunities, hosting events, or partnering with a student organization.

All Campbell Law alumni are also welcome to utilize our Career & Professional Development Center services, including career advising, employment search, and reciprocity.

If you are interested in connecting with the law school and serving our students, please contact Campbell Law’s Director of Alumni Relations & Annual Giving Megan West at 919.865.5875 or by email at westm@law.campbell.edu.

Did You Know?

Campbell Law recently hosted a five-person delegation of Lithuanian attorneys. The group joined numerous Campbell Law administration and faculty members for a robust discussion on the nuances, differences, and similarities of legal practice and education in America and Europe.
Campbell Law Students Set to Receive Wake County Bar Association Scholarships

Campbell Law School students Jacob Davis and Adam Steele have been selected to receive two of four available Wake County Bar Association (WCBA) Memorial Scholarships for the upcoming academic year. Davis and Steele, both rising third-year students, will formally receive their $4,000 scholarships during a presentation at an upcoming WCBA luncheon on June 4 at the Women’s Club of Raleigh.

“The committee was very impressed by the credentials of our scholarship recipients and we wish them the very best for their legal careers”, said WCBA Endowment Award Committee Chair Alka Srivastava, a 2011 Campbell Law graduate.

WCBA Memorial Scholarships are annually awarded to law school students with strong ties to Wake County that have displayed solid academic achievement and a commitment to community service. The WCBA Foundation has been providing scholarships since 1989, culminating in more than $150,000 in scholarship assistance.

Shores Selected for Top Gun National Mock Trial Competition

Campbell Law Class of 2013 graduate Andrew Shores has been selected as one of 16 participants for Baylor Law School’s 2013 Top Gun National Mock Trial Competition, June 6-9 in Waco, Texas.

The innovative, invitation-only mock trial tournament takes advocates from 16 of the top advocacy schools in the nation and has them go head-to-head for the honor of being named Top Gun. The first-place winner receives $10,000.

“I am thrilled to be representing Campbell Law at this prestigious trial competition, and I am grateful for the opportunity to compete against the very best advocates in the country,” said Shores.

Founded in 2010, the competition creates a challenging atmosphere for competitors. Unlike other mock trial competitions, participants do not receive the case file until they arrive in Waco—just 24 hours before the first round of trials begin.

Preparation includes reviewing depositions, records and photographs, and taking a trip to the actual places where events in the hypothetical case occurred. Shortly before each round, competitors are assigned a witness or witnesses who may be used at participants’ discretion during the round. The jurors for each round are distinguished trial lawyers and judges.

The National Top Gun Mock Trial Competition is limited to 16 law schools with a single student, instead of the usual two, representing each school. Baylor Law, as the organizing institution, does not field a team.

Cumberland County Alumni Scholarship Formed

A scholarship specifically for Campbell Law students hailing from Cumberland County, N.C. has been crafted, and The Richardson Firm of Fayetteville, N.C. provided the idea as well as founding contribution. The Cumberland County Law School Alumni Endowed Scholarship was formally announced by Matt Richardson on May 16 during a Cumberland County alumni reception hosted by The Richardson Firm.

Following the initial donation, the law school is now seeking the support of other alumni and friends in the Cumberland County area to support this initiative. Once fully funded, the scholarship will provide one or more annual scholarships to a student from Cumberland County.

More than 50 Campbell Law graduates and friends of the law school gathered at The Richardson Firm reception for updates on the law school and to network with fellow alumni.

To help support the Cumberland County Law School Alumni Endowed Scholarship please contact Campbell Law Director of Development Trudi Brown at brownt@law.campbell.edu or 919-865-5977.
Professor Jean Cary Retires From Campbell Law

Professor of Law Jean Cary retired from her position with the end of the 2012-13 academic year. Professor Cary joined Campbell Law School in 1991, and is recognized as a leading teacher and scholar in the field of depositions. She served as the director of the Southeast Regional Deposition Program for the National Institute for Trial Advocacy for 20 years, and also served as the academic adviser to the Local Rules Civil Subcommittee for the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of North Carolina.

Professor Cary has also taught Family Law at Duke as a visiting associate professor, and she worked as the first civil law clinic instructor at the law school at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. Professor Cary has received numerous professional awards and honors throughout her career, including the prestigious Honorable Prentice Marshall Faculty Award from the National Institute for Trial Advocacy.

Away from the office, she has served as an elder at her church and has belonged to the same community book club for more than 10 years. At the recent graduation exercise Professor Cary served as the faculty marshal, leading the platform procession into the ceremony. Professor Cary was also honored with a gift during the event and commended for her many years of service and excellence to the institution.

Fletcher Foundation Gift Establishes Public Interest Law Fellows Program

Campbell Law School Interim Dean Keith Faulkner announced on May 6 that the law school has received a $50,000 grant from the A.J. Fletcher Foundation (AJF) to aid students serving underserved members of our community. The A.J. Fletcher Foundation Public Interest Law Fellows program will provide stipends for students who take unpaid summer internships in the area of public interest law.

"One of the driving forces of Campbell Law is service," said Faulkner. "We view the practice of law as a calling to serve others, and this generous gift from the Fletcher Foundation will do wonders for our students with a vested interest in helping members of our community," said Faulkner.

The A.J. Fletcher Foundation Public Interest Law Fellows program will afford students the opportunity to gain real world experience and enjoy a more broad commitment to the values of social justice. The assistance provided by the program will also better position students to learn and work through the challenges underserved citizens face in obtaining legal resources.

"We are immensely proud of our long-term partnership with Campbell Law School and excited to expand our support with this new program," said AJF Executive Director Damon Circosta. "The public interest fellows will provide critical support to this community and will play a vital role in our ongoing mission to help organizations solve social and community problems across the state."

A long-time supporter of the law school, AJF has served as the key benefactor in establishing the Goodman Clinic at Campbell Law, which houses both the Juvenile Justice Project and the Senior Law Clinic. The mission of AJF is to support nonprofit organizations in their endeavors to enrich the lives and well-being of people in North Carolina. To achieve this, AJF partners with nonprofit organizations that recognize and solve social and civic problems and provides resources to advance big, bold ideas.

Class of 2013 Holds Annual Graduation Reception

The Class of 2013 held the customary third-year pre-graduation reception on May 9, the night before commencement exercises, at the Cardinal Club in Raleigh. Friends, family members, and loved ones joined Campbell Law faculty and staff members in congratulating the Class of 2013 and wishing them the best moving forward.