

FORDHAM URBAN LAW JOURNAL ALUMNI NEWSLETTER

2010: A DEFINING YEAR FOR THE ULJ

A Letter from the Editor:

This fall has brought much excitement for the Journal's current and upcoming publications. We have just published the last book of Volume 36, which consists entirely of student Notes. The Notes will be available online at law.fordham.edu/ulj. Included in this book is the work of Mr. Chauncey Smith, *Deconstructing the Pipeline: Evaluating School-to-Prison Pipeline Equal Protection Cases Through a Structural Racism Framework*, 36 Fordham Urb. L. J. 1009. Mr. Smith conducted research for this Note as the recipient of the 2009 George C. McMahon Fellowship. Additionally, the book features student notes by Rachel Brook (Staff, Vol. 36), Paul Curran Kingsbery (Associate Editor, Vol. 37), David McMillan (Senior Notes & Articles Editor, Vol. 36), and Marc Palumbo (Associate Editor, Vol. 37).

The highly anticipated first book of Volume 37 is expected to be published in January 2010. This book has become affectionately known as "The ABA Book" as it will contain fifteen articles memorializing the contributions from the December 2008 ABA Symposium on Access to Justice, also known as "Civil Gideon". This Symposium included presentations by some of the foremost scholars on the issue - academics, judges, political scientists, economists and even psychologists from the nation's most respected academic institutions. The presenters agreed to have their papers published in the Journal, and the book is certain to generate enormous attention. In addition, it is of particular note that the new President of the ABA, Carolyn B. Lamm, has demonstrated a personal dedication to Civil Gideon, which is sure to give our publication even greater salience.

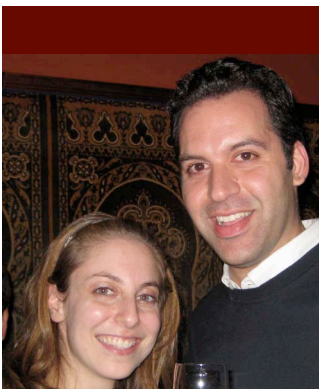
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We would love to be more in touch with our alumni. If your contact information changes, or if you have updated information on any ULJers who we've lost touch with, please keep us posted:
ulj@law.fordham.edu.



Yonina Rosenbaum and Jeff Shah

We would like to take this opportunity to encourage donations to the Journal through the Alumni Association and remind members to pay their annual dues. Please contact Liz Malang, at emalang@ryanconlon.com, for further information about the Fordham Urban Law Journal Alumni Association.

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NEW GUY IN THE 'HOOD

The *Fordham Urban Law Journal* is delighted to welcome Professor Aaron Saiger as its new faculty advisor. Professor Saiger received his A.B. from Harvard College, his J.D. from Columbia University, and his Ph.D. in Public Affairs from Princeton University. Before Fordham Law, Professor Saiger was law clerk to Supreme Court Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg and to Chief Judge Douglas H. Ginsburg of the Court of Appeals for the D.C. Circuit. He was selected by the National Academy of Education as a National Academy of Education/Spencer Foundation Postdoctoral Fellow. His recent publications include: "Local Government without Tiebout," 41 *Urban L.* 93 (2009); "School Choice and States' Duty to Support 'Public' Schools," 48 *Boston College L. Rev.* 909 (2007); "The Role of Empirical Research in Informing Debates about the Constitutionality of School Choice," 1 *J. School Choice* 123 (2006); "The Last Wave: The Rise of the Contingent School District," 84 *North Carolina L. Rev.* 857 (2006).



Aaron Saiger

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At Fordham, Professor Saiger teaches Administrative Law, Education Law, and Property Law. As faculty advisor, he replaces Matthew Diller, who became the new dean of Cardozo Law School this year.

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Volume 37 will also include the annually-released Cooper-Walsh book. This book will focus on the topic of this year's Colloquium, the emergence of cities as autonomous actors. The book will consist of a collection of papers and comments from the event, which was held on October 30, 2009. See the accompanying blurb, *Colloquium Happens, Fans Go Wild*, for more on the successful Colloquium.

The last book in Volume 37 will be our Symposium issue. This year's symposium, entitled, "The Importance, Place, and Future of the Exclusionary Rule," will take place on February 11, 2009 in the McNally Auditorium of the Law School. This event will focus on the exclusionary rule after the Supreme Court's decisions in *Hudson* and *Herring* and will consider the direction that the Supreme Court may take with the Rule in the future. In addition, there will be a practitioner panel discussing the current Rule's use and effect on defendants and the government. For more information on the Symposium, other ULJ events, or subscriptions, please call the Journal office at (212) 636-6881 or send an e-mail to ulj@law.fordham.edu.

Lastly, we are delighted to report that the Journal remains the third most cited student-edited specialty journal in the nation. The Journal's Editorial Board and Staff are working very hard to make sure our rankings only continue to improve.

— Jeffrey N. Shah, Editor-in-Chief

COLLOQUIUM HAPPENS; FANS GO WILD

This fall, the Fordham Urban Law Journal hosted its second annual Cooper-Walsh colloquium, devoted to specific issues that affect urban communities. The colloquium, coordinated by Cooper-Walsh Editor Andrew Harper, was held at Fordham Law School on October 30, 2009, and was entitled "Empowered Cities: The Emergence of Cities as Autonomous Actors."

Four papers were delivered. Rose Cuison Villazor, of Hofstra University, spoke on "Sanctuary Cities and the Struggle for Citizenship." San Francisco, for instance, some years ago declared itself a "sanctuary city." This meant ordering city officials to refuse to disclose to federal authorities the status of any illegal immigrant it might happen to discover, whether, say, through police detention or a welfare application. It did so in the name of a benevolent humanity. But the policy is now under legal attack, after an illegal immigrant and gang member shot to death a local man and his children; had he been properly reported, the plaintiff argues, the murder would not have happened. Villazor examined how the city might navigate between its duty to federal law and its distinct local values. Some saw San Francisco's policy as bold and humane; others saw it as needlessly provocative and misguided. The discussion was spirited.

The other scholars to deliver papers were Yishai Blank, of Tel Aviv University, who spoke on "Federalism, Subsidiarity and the



Role of 'the Local' in an Age of Global Multilevel Governance"; Lesley Wexler, of Florida State University School of Law, who spoke on "The Promise and Limits of Local Human Rights Internationalism"; and Peter Spiro, of Temple University Beasley School of Law, who spoke on "Formalizing Local Citizenship." Five professors commented: Sheila Foster (Fordham Law School), Gerald Frug (Harvard Law School), Jennifer Gordon (Fordham Law School), Cristina Rodriguez (visiting at Yale Law School), Aaron Saiger (Fordham Law School). Also attending were Lenni Benson (New York Law School), Richard Briffault (Columbia Law School), Jay C. Carlisle (Pace Law School), Mathilde Cohen (Columbia Law School), Gillian Metzger (Columbia Law School), David Reiss (Brooklyn Law School), Christopher Serkin (Brooklyn Law School), Damon Smith (Rutgers Law School), Dan Smulian (Brooklyn Law School).

THANK YOU to all who came to our fall ULJ ALUMNI COCKTAIL EVENT!!



Come meet our newest members while renewing old ULJ friendships at our spring ULJ Alumni event. Event details TBA.

Stay tuned!

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