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FEATURED GUEST

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Q: What have you been up to since graduating?

A: After graduating in 2014, I clerked for Judge Eric T. Washington on the District of Columbia Court of Appeals. Then, in 2015-16, I clerked for WCL alumnus Judge Gerald Bruce Lee on the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Virginia (a.k.a. the "rocket docket"). Following these clerkships, I joined Covington and Burling, LLP in Washington, DC. So far at Covington, I have litigated matters in state and federal courts and advised a major technology company involved in a government investigation.

Q: What lead to founding AAAULR?

A: The initial catalyst was that I needed a job--and so did many of my fellow law reviewers. It occurred to me that every year, for decades, some 50 or so law review members graduated and went on to pursue interesting careers in a wide range of legal fields. Why was the law review not in touch with them, leveraging their career experiences to benefit current students? The idea developed that forming an alumni association could facilitate connecting the current students with past law reviewers for career mentoring and other purposes. I learned that there had been prior efforts to form an alumni group that did not take off. However, I ended up partnering with David Courchaine, a former Editor-in-Chief, whose enthusiasm and efforts helped finally get the idea off the ground. Together, we generated a master contact list of AULR alumni, formed a board, elected officers, and held our first annual meeting in Spring 2014.

FUNDRAISING KICKOFF - ENDOWMENT GOAL

The AAAULR Board wants to use this month's newsletter to briefly introduce an exciting initiative that will be kicking off over the next couple of months - a fundraising event to establish an *endowment fund for AULR!*

The Board has undertaken extensive conversations with WCL officials to learn about the process for funding an endowment and how the money will be paid to the student organization. Please *watch your email* in the coming weeks for further details and for information about how the Board proposes the disbursed funds should be used.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Wednesday, October 24th: Fall AULR/AAAULR Happy Hour.

Location: Bar Deco (Second Floor - The Bulletin Bar)

Time: 5:30pm - 8:00pm

Friday, November 16: Federal Circuit Symposium

Location: Claudio Grossman Hall, Washington College of Law

Time: 9:00am - 5:00pm

Recent Event: As noted in the August issue, we recently held the first ever Public Service Career Panel for current AULR staff members. Following positive feedback about its usefulness to the staff, we hope to make it into an annual event. Please let us know if you want to participate!

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Q: What do you hope AAAULR can accomplish in terms of the alumni-to-alumni aspects of the organization?

A: Although the original idea behind the alumni association was to connect alumni with current students, another important function of AAAULR is to keep alumni connected to one another. Because WCL has relatively large graduating class sizes, it's much more natural for alumni to keep in touch with each other in relation to sub-groups within their graduating class, e.g. 1L section, journal, moot court, etc. My hope is that AAAULR will help alumni keep in touch with one another in ways that they would not be able to otherwise. I also hope the association can help alumni establish contacts with alumni from other years for business development purposes or creating connections for lateral career moves.

Q: What does your time on AULR mean to you now?

A: I'm grateful AULR gave me life-long friendships and Bluebooking skills.

