



From Dean Dan

Next week, the William S. Boyd School of Law is excited to welcome two national speakers to our campus .

Preet Bharara, former U.S. Attorney for the Southern District of New York and one of the nation's foremost experts on public corruption, civil rights, white collar financial crime, drug trafficking and anti-terrorism, will give a talk to the law school community at 5:30 p.m. on Oct. 23 in the Richard Tam Alumni Building. Bharara will draw on his extensive experience as a prosecutor to address ethics and compliance, corporate responsibility, leadership and cybersecurity. As U.S. Attorney from 2009 to 2017, Bharara oversaw the investigation and litigation of all criminal and civil cases brought on behalf of the United States in the Southern District litigating against Bernie Madoff, Speaker of the New York State Assembly Sheldon Silver and Times Square bomber Faizal Shahzad. Bharara's record as a U.S. Attorney and his oversight of some of the mot important prosecutions and trials in recent years distinguish him as one of our country's most accomplished practitioners and public servants. I would like to extend my gratitude to MGM Resorts International and William Hill whose support have made this possible.

We are extremely honored to host the American Society for Legal History (ASLH) which is holding its annual meeting in Las Vegas. As a principal sponsor, Boyd will host ASLH's Plenary Lecture on Oct. 27. "The Long Resistance and Historical Memory," delivered by Tomiko Brown-Nagin of Harvard Law School. Professor Brown-Nagin's talk will describe signature social movements in the history of our country and the use of the Constitution in framing controversies and pursuing social change. Bringing learned societies and leading academics from around the country to the law school is an important part of Boyd's mission and we are especially pleased to be able to welcome one of the country's most distinguished interdisciplinary associations to Boyd.

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Faculty Spotlight: David Tanenhaus

David Tanenhaus is the James E. Rogers Professor of History and Law

What's the most important thing you are working on right now?



Professor Michael Green (UNLV History Department) and I are serving as co-chairs of the Local Arrangements Committee for the American Society for Legal History (ASLH). For the first time in the Society's history, the 2017 annual meeting will take place in Nevada from October 26-28. The law school is the principal sponsor of the conference, and many of the sessions will be at Boyd. I'm absolutely thrilled that Professor Tomiko Brown-Nagin of Harvard Law School will deliver the Plenary Address at UNLV on Nevada Day. Her topic is "The Long Resistance and Historical Memory." We're filming her lecture which will air in the future on the local PBS station.

The Society has a longstanding relationship with the law school. From 2004 to 2012, Boyd was the institutional home for the journal *Law and History Review* (*LHR*), which Cambridge University Press publishes on behalf of the Society. During those years, I served as the editor of *LHR* and was fortunate enough to work closely with the brilliant legal historian Dan Hamilton. It's now a joy to work with Dean Dan to welcome ASLH to Las Vegas as this Society has been our intellectual home.

What is the most significant issue facing your field and how should it be addressed?

Legal historians are playing prominent roles as public intellectuals in international conversations about law, freedom, justice, and governance. In this country, many are using their expertise to help courts, including the U.S. Supreme Court, to answer constitutional questions about issues such as the emoluments clause, free speech, gay rights, gerrymandering, and the administration's travel bans.

Which of your recent books or articles should I read?

The University Press of Kansas just published a new edition of my book *The Constitutional Rights of Children:* In re Gault *and American Juvenile Justice* upon the 50th anniversary of the case. It includes expanded coverage of the Roberts Court's juvenile justice decisions, explains how disregard for children's constitutional rights led to the "Kids for Cash" scandal in Pennsylvania, and discusses new legal developments in the Gault case.

Student Spotlight: Kevin Everage



Prior to law school, you spent many years working as a patent examiner. What did you gain from that experience?

I learned a lot about intellectual property law by prosecuting patent applications at the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) for eight years. While my specific duties only involved patents, I eventually decided on my own to branch into trademarks. Having this unique perspective into how the USPTO operates is a key advantage. Since leaving the USPTO, I have found that employers recognize and value my examining experience. It played a big part in

landing internships at UFC and Switch, and my experience is one of the reasons why Switch offered me a full-time position.

And now you are working for Switch ... how goes that?

Exciting! I enjoy in-house work in the corporate setting. We operate at a fast pace and as a member of the Policy team I help tackle a lot of different issues. We have more than 350 issued and pending patent claims, and over 300 registered and pending trademark class registrations. This summer we received a Notice of Allowance for the first patent application Switch filed back in 2007, for Hot Aisle Containment technology. This was a monumental win and I enjoyed helping get it over the finish line. We are very busy, and Switch is an amazing company. I love it here.

What have been your keys to survival as a part-time law student working a full-time job?

Just putting a conscious effort into maintaining my mental and physical well-being. Finding time to work out, eat healthy, and get enough sleep is tough, but it is critical to dealing with the stress we feel every day as part-time students with full-time jobs.

Alumni Spotlight: Martina Geinzer '03



Martina is the Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department Assistant Attorney General

Tell me about your decision to attend Boyd School of Law.

I moved to Las Vegas from Germany in 1994, after receiving a degree from Phillips University in Marburg on a partial scholarship. However, UNLV did not accept all of the credits from the German high school and university, so I had to take some lower level classes to receive my undergraduate degree. Once I graduated in 1995 with my B.A. in

Political Science, I thought I wanted to go into public service. So, I completed my Masters in Public Administration at UNLV in 1998. At the same time, I was laid off from my job as a Socio-Economic Analyst at the Yucca Mountain Project. Several of my friends had enrolled in the charter class for the law school. Since I still had not fully figured out what I wanted to do when I grew up, and they really seemed to enjoy it, I applied for the program. It was the best decision I ever made. I truly enjoy being a lawyer.

What drew you to work for the Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department and what do you like most about your work there?

I always say that Sheriff Gillespie made me an offer that I could not refuse. I became interested in law enforcement and correctional law in 2004, when I represented a medical services provider for correctional facilities. This interest flourished further during my time at the Nevada Attorney General's office, where my main client was the Nevada Department of Corrections. In August of 2007, I joined the LVMPD and oversaw all litigation and claims against the department. I started providing some advice and counsel to the Detention Services Division due to my knowledge and interest in correctional law. I was assigned full time as Assistant General Counsel to the Detention Services Division about two years ago. It is a very challenging position; and there is always some sort of emergency that requires immediate attention. I truly can say that no day is like the other; and I learn something new every day. I do have the best job anyone can ask for.

What advice you would give someone just starting in the profession?

Regardless of where or what type of law you practice, be civil to opposing counsel and everyone else. New lawyers, including myself when I started, often have difficulty separating themselves from the case and take it personally. It is sometimes very difficult, especially when the other side "bends" the facts and personally attacks you. I have learned that you can zealously and effectively represent your client without attacking opposing counsel. Remember the saying "You catch more flies with honey." Throughout the years, I have become great friends with lawyers I met even though they were opposing counsel in a particular case.

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