

UBC Law Faculty Receives \$1 Million Gift from Richards Buell Sutton LLB



UBC Law is delighted to announce a \$1 million gift from Vancouver law firm Richards Buell Sutton LLP (RBS) towards the faculty's new building project. RBS is a small firm with a lot of heart – its partners have a strong connection to the Faculty of Law and the firm helped create the founding legislation for the University of British Columbia 100 years ago.

"Richards Buell Sutton has enjoyed a long and rewarding relationship with UBC," said Jeffrey Lowe, Managing Partner, RBS. "We are very pleased to have the opportunity to support this exciting initiative as UBC continues to maintain its position as a leading educational institution which plays an important role within the community." This gift will be matched by the Law Foundation of British Columbia and adds to existing donations of \$1 million from Farris Vaughan Wills and Murphy LLP and \$1 million from Borden Ladner Gervais LLP and the Ladner family. It is anticipated that construction will begin in late 2008 and be completed by the end of 2010.

Law Alumni Association Distinguished Speakers Fall Lunch

UBC Law Alumni Association invites you to attend the annual Distinguished Speakers Fall Lunch and welcome guest speaker Brian Burke Executive Vice President and General Manager of the Anaheim Ducks, former General Manager of the Vancouver Canucks. The topic of this year's Fall Lunch is "Will a Canadian Team Ever Win the Stanley Cup Again? (The Impact of the New Collective Agreement on Parity Within the NHL)."

Date: Tuesday, November 27, 2007

Time: Doors open at 12:00 noon, lunch served at 12:30 p.m. sharp
Location: Four Seasons Hotel, 791 West Georgia Street, Vancouver

Cost: \$60

Attire: Business Dress

RSVP: Please contact Glynis Knowlden at 604-822-0123 or email alumni@law.ubc.ca for information about purchasing tickets or reserving a table. Space is limited, early booking is advised.

The Marlee Kline Social Justice Lecture

This lecture honours the memory of Marlee Gayle Kline, a member of the Faculty of Law from 1989. Professor Kline died in 2001 after a lengthy and determined struggle with leukemia. Her work on feminist legal theory and critical race theory, child welfare law and policy, law's continued colonialism, and restructuring of the social welfare state is internationally acclaimed. This lectureship not only recognizes Marlee's rich contribution to the law school community but also reflects her belief in the central role social justice concerns must play in legal education and law.

Date: Thursday, November 1, 2007

Speaker: Dr. Carol Smart, Professor, Sociology and Co-Director, Morgan Centre, University of Manchester.

Topic: "Memory, Law and Family Secrets"

Time: 6:00pm-7:00pm

Location: Faculty of Law, Curtis 101-102



Fall 2007 Faculty Reception

The Faculty of Law held its annual Fall Faculty Reception on Monday, September 17, 2007. The reception celebrates the beginning of a new academic year and announces several awards of service including the Taylor Jordan Chafetz Faculty Scholar Award, named the "Dr Albert J. McClean Faculty Scholar Award" in honour of Dr. Albert J. McClean, QC. This year's recipient is Professor Isabel Grant who is recognized for her continued service to the Faculty in a range of areas. (cont'd)

SPOTLIGHT EVENTS

BCPIAC – RICHARD GATHERCOLE PUBLIC INTEREST LUNCH

"Public Interest & Social Justice Law"

Jim Quail is the Executive Director of the BC Public Interest Advocacy Centre in Vancouver. He was called to the British Columbia bar in 1980 after completing his Bachelor of Arts at the University of Toronto and his law degree at UBC. His diverse practice experience has included criminal defence, poverty law, administrative law, foreclosure defence, labour and regulatory law.

In the 1980s, Mr. Quail established the Fraser Valley Farmworkers Legal Services Program in Abbotsford, providing legal representation, legal education and law reform advocacy services for immigrant agricultural labourers. He later worked in the Legal Services Society, as General Counsel, Director of Research and Planning, and in 1991-2 as acting Executive Director. He first joined BCPIAC in 1995, and returned following a five-year stint as the legal director of BC's 45,000 member Hospital Employees' Union.

Date: October 16, 2007

Time: 12:30 pm – 1:30 pm

Location: Room 101, Curtis law Building.

Light lunch provided

Fall 2007 Faculty Reception cont'd

The reception also provided an opportunity to recognize two of our many dedicated adjunct faculty members. Congratulations to Raymond Young for receiving the Adjunct Service Award. The Student Adjunct Faculty Award, named the Adam Albright Award for Outstanding Teaching by an Adjunct Professor, was presented to Eileen Skinnider. These awards are a small part of the overall effort to ensure that we demonstrate our appreciation for the commitment and hard work of our adjunct faculty members.



LSLAP 40th Anniversary

On September 13th, students and alumni celebrated the 40th anniversary of the Law Students' Legal Advice Program with an informal reception at the UBC Faculty of Law. Special guest Mike Harcourt took the audience back to the organization's early days, and congratulated the current LSLAP volunteers for their continued commitment to providing an invaluable community service. Brian Higgins, LSLAP Supervising Lawyer, Matt De Bock, LSLAP Public Relations Representative, UBC Dean of Law Mary Anne Bobinski, and Warren Wilson QC all spoke to the important legacy of LSLAP and their confidence in the organizations success for the future.

LSLAP is currently staffing clinics full-time across Vancouver with UBC law students. In September 2007, they will relaunch their weekly evening clinics staffed by volunteer students and lawyers. If you are a lawyer interested in volunteering at an evening clinic in the fall, please contact Paige Morrow, Publications Director at publications@slap.bc.ca or (604)822-5723.

First Annual TSX Group Lecture at UBC Law

On September 24, the National Centre for Business Law at the Faculty of Law University of British Columbia co-hosted with the TSX Group, the first Annual TSX Group Lecture with prominent U.S. legal scholar Adam C. Pritchard of Michigan Law School and Dr. Janis Sarra of UBC Law.

Discussion focused on the results of an innovative cross-border empirical study of Canadian publicly traded companies that have been sued for securities law violations in the U.S. and Canada and will examine some early trends arising out of the new secondary market civil liability regime now in effect in Ontario, Alberta and Manitoba. Professors Pritchard and Sarra also discussed the impact of the new civil liability regime on director and officer (D&O) insurance premia.

The research was funded by the TSX Group Capital Markets Initiative, which supports capital markets research and policy initiatives at the Faculty's National Centre for Business Law. The National Centre also participates in the TSX National Advisory Council on Capital Markets Research along with the University of Toronto's Capital Markets Institute (the "CMI") of the Rotman School of Management at the University of Toronto.



National Centre for Business Law Executive in Residence

The National Centre for Business Law was pleased to host Mr. Harold Meyerman as the inaugural Executive in Residence. Mr. Meyerman is a graduate of the UBC Faculty of Law from the Class of 1970 and has had a long and interesting career in banking and corporate finance.

During his two-day visit Mr. Meyerman gave a lecture to students in the Corporate Finance class on "The Players in the Public and Private Capital Markets, Key Issues in Finance from a Banking Perspective" and a talk on "Business Ethics in Corporate Finance" with the Corporations Law class. Mr. Meyerman also held open office hours for students and faculty. It was an excellent opportunity for him to share his expertise and experience and the Centre also fostered discussions with the BC business and legal community. A public roundtable discussion was held at UBC Robson Square on "Governance: A Board Member's Perspective", followed by a reception hosted by Farris, Vaughan, Wills and Murphy; and a lively discussion was held with young alumni on "Using Legal Training in a Business and Finance Career" at a breakfast event hosted by Borden Ladner Gervais. The Executive in Residence Program provides a

unique opportunity for alumni, students, legal scholars, members of the BC legal community, and affiliates of the National Centre for Business Law to engage in meaningful discussions on key issues in business law.

COMMERCIAL CONTRACTING SYMPOSIUM

National Centre for Business Law
Chair: Madame Justice Risa Levine,
British Columbia Court of Appeal
Panelists: Professor Shannon
O'Byrne, University of Alberta
Faculty of Law, Good Faith in Commercial Contracting

Professor Chi Carmody, University of Western Ontario, Director, Canada-US Law Institute, The Harmonization of International Commercial Contracting: Some Canadian Considerations

Professor Ljiljana Biukovic, University of British Columbia Faculty of Law, "Good Faith" in ECJ and WTO Jurisprudence

Date: October 22

Time: 1:30 – 4:00 pm

Cost: \$40

Location: UBC Robson Square, HSBC Hall

To register for this event please contact businesslaw@law.ubc.ca

EMERITI FACULTY & ALUMNI EVENT

Dean Mary Anne Bobinski is holding a special event for Emeriti Faculty and Alumni to reminisce about the early days of the Law School and provide an update on what latest developments at the Law School.

This social gathering will be held on Thursday, November 1, 2007 from 10:00 am – 11:30 am at Sage Bistro, East Dining Room (the old Faculty Club), 6331 Crescent Road. [Parking is available at the Rose Garden Parkade, 6278 NW Marine Drive].

Bring your stories! Refreshments will be served. This event will be followed by a free jazz concert at the UBC School of Music for those interested (from noon until 1:00 pm).

Date: November 1, 2007

Time: 10:00 am – 11:30 am

Location: East Dining Room (the old Faculty Club), 6331 Crescent Road.

RSVP: to Christopher Trueman by Friday, October 19th 2007 at 604.827.3612 or by email at alumni@law.ubc.ca

CORE CONFLICT RESOLUTION CLINIC SPEAKER SERIES

The CoRe Clinic speaker series, held at the law school, is open to all and we encourage members of the broader legal community to join us. Light refreshments provided.

Date: November 6th

Time: 4:00 pm – 5:15 pm



Centre for Asian Legal Studies' Visiting Scholar Orientation

The Centre for Asian Legal Studies organised a welcoming lunch for its Visiting Scholars on September 7 following an orientation session (see picture above). There are 12 Visiting Scholars at present, comprised of judges, academics, practitioners, and prosecutors, from China/Taiwan, Japan, and South Korea. Many are auditing classes of their choice as well as pursuing their own research. Professor Gerald McAlinn of Keio University in Tokyo was a special guest at the lunch, and afterwards presented a well-attended seminar

on the Importance of learning Comparative Law in the era of Globalization. Professor Matsui, Director of Japanese Legal Studies at CALS, intends this to be the first in a series of Asian law-related seminars to be held at intervals throughout the academic year, and to which we hope our Visiting Scholars will contribute.

Keio University Law School Professor Visits UBC Law

“The Importance of Learning Comparative Law While in Law School in the Era of Globalization”

As part of his visit to the Centre for Asian Legal Studies, Professor Gerald McAlinn of Keio University in Tokyo gave a talk on September 7 on the growing importance of learning comparative law for lawyers. Lawyers in the United States tended to focus exclusively on domestic law and ignore the law in foreign jurisdictions. However, some recent Supreme Court decisions have forced lawyers to reconsider this trend and face the necessity of understanding legal development in other countries as well. Professor McAlinn regarded this recent development as inevitable, and stressed the importance of learning comparative law while in law school. He also explained the background for his decision to go to Japan and become a professor in a Japanese University, and suggested the possibility of North American lawyers to become international commerce lawyers and the wide room for practice. The seminar was well attended, and there was a lengthy question and answer session after the presentation.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

October 10

Centre for Asian Legal Studies

The Protection of Trade Secrets in the Globalized World, Especially as Regards Taiwan and the United States

Speaker: Dr. Sheng-Chen Tseng, Associate Professor; Director Graduate Institute of Financial & Economic Law, Ling Tung University Taiwan

Time: 12:30pm – 1:30pm

Location: UBC Faculty of Law, Curtis Building, room 149

October 11

Law&Society@UBC

Law, History, and Rival Positions: Time Does Not Weary Rivalries in Law and Politics

Speaker: Dr. Gary Wickham, Associate Professor, Sociology, Murdoch University

Time: 5:30 – 6:30 pm

Location: Green College Coach House

October 12

Law&Society@UBC

Toxic Tort and the Articulation of Environmental Risk

Speaker: Jo Goodie, Lecturer, Law, Murdoch University

Time: 12:30 – 1:30 pm

Location: Faculty of Law, Curtis 149

October 22

National Centre for Business Law

Commercial Contracting Symposium

Time: 1:30 – 4:00 pm

Cost: \$40

Location: UBC Robson Square, HSBC Hall

To register for this event please contact businesslaw@law.ubc.ca

For more information, please contact CoRe Clinic at 604-827-5024 or coreclinic@hotmail.com.

NATIONAL CENTRE FOR BUSINESS LAW FIRST ANNUAL MEETING Chair:

The Honourable Frank Iacobucci, former Justice, Supreme Court of Canada

Keynote Speaker: Mr. Kevan Cowan, President, TSX Venture Exchange, Calgary, Free Trade In Securities
Speaker: Dr. Janis Sarra, Director, National Centre for Business Law

Time: 5:00 – 6:30 pm

Cost: no charge

Location: UBC Robson Square, HSBC Hall

To register for this event please contact businesslaw@law.ubc.ca

NEWS FLASH

LAW ALUMNUS STEVEN POINT NAMED LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR

On September 4, 2007 Prime Minister Stephen Harper announced the appointment of Judge Steven Point as British Columbia's newest Lieutenant-Governor.

In 1999, Judge Point was appointed a provincial court judge, most recently sitting in Provincial Court in Abbotsford. In 2005, he was appointed Chief Commissioner of the British Columbia Treaty Commission. A past recipient of a National Aboriginal Achievement Award, Judge Point has also served as an elected Chief of Skowdale First Nation, as the tribal chair of the Stó:lō Nation, and honoured as Grand Chief by the Chiefs of Stó:lō Tribal Council. Between 1991 and 1994 he was the Director of the First Nations Legal Studies Program at the UBC Faculty of Law. Judge Point graduated from the UBC Faculty of Law in 1985 and was called to the Bar in British Columbia in 1986.

TAG RECOGNIZES TEACHING EXCELLENCE

Assistant Professor Sharon Sutherland was one of 20 individuals recognized for teaching and learning excellence by the Centre for Teaching and Academic Growth at UBC. TAG celebrated its 20th anniversary in 2007 and acknowledged Sutherland in their publication Tapestry. She was highlighted for her “interplays with mediation teaching and practice through unique, challenging and fun student assignments.”

CALENDAR OF EVENTS - CONT'D

October 24

Centre for Feminist Legal Studies
Philippine Women's Resistance Against Political Killings and State-Sponsored Terrorism
Speaker: Ning Alcutas-Imperial, Lawyer, Philippine Women's Centre
Time: 12:30 pm– 2:00 pm
Location: Room 157, Curtis Building, UBC Faculty of Law

October 26

Business Law Speakers Series
Director and Officer Liability in the Zone of Insolvency, A Comparative Analysis
Speakers: Emeritus Professor Harry Rajak, Sussex Law School (Visiting International Scholar to the National Centre for Business Law)
Time: 12:30pm -1:30 pm
Location: Robson Square, Room C130
Cost: \$35
Contact: businesslaw@law.ubc.ca

October 30

Law&Society@UBC
Transitional Moments: Negotiating Personal and Political Life
Speaker: Dr. Carol Smart, Professor, Sociology, Co-Director, Morgan Centre, University of Manchester
Time: 12:30 – 1:30 pm
Location: Green College Coach House

October 31

Centre for Feminist Legal Studies
Pay Equity and 'Work Choices' Legislation in Australia
Speaker: Gillian Whitehouse, Associate Professor, School of Political Science, University of Queensland
Time: 12:30 pm– 2:00 pm
Location: Room 157, Curtis Building, UBC Faculty of Law

November 1

Marlee Kline Social Justice Lecture
Memory, Law and Family Secrets
Speaker: Dr. Carol Smart, Professor, Sociology, Co-Director, Morgan Centre, University of Manchester
Time: 6:00 pm – 7:00 pm
Location: Room 101/102, Curtis Building, UBC Faculty of Law

November 1

Business Law Speakers Series
Risk Regulation and its Role in Securities Markets
Speakers: Professor Mary Condon, Osgoode Law School, Toronto
Time: 12:30pm -1:30 pm
Location: Robson Square, Room C130
Cost: \$35
Contact: businesslaw@law.ubc.ca

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CLASS NOTES

Keep in touch with your classmates! Your submission will be included in the next issue of the UBC Law Alumni Magazine. Send in your updated news either by visiting our website at: www.law.ubc.ca/forms/class_notes/notes.html and filling in the on-line form, or by mailing your news to:

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CAREER SERVICES OFFICE

UBC Law Career Services serves the career needs of both UBC law school alumni and current law students. The office is staffed by:

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Program Assistant, Gareth Coghlan (coghlan@law.ubc.ca Tel: (604) 822-0846).

Please do not hesitate to contact us if you require any assistance with your career needs

JOB POSTINGS

The UBC Law Career Services Office receives postings from law firms and organizations interested in hiring UBC alumni as associates or in other legal roles. These postings are circulated by email to alumni who have expressed an interest in receiving them.

To be added to the alumni employment email list, please send an email to careers@law.ubc.ca with the words "Subscribe Alumni" in the subject line. Additionally, if you have a job posting for alumni or students or have a need for a law student for casual, summer or articling employment, please contact a member of the Career Services team.

COMMENTS & SUGGESTIONS

We welcome your feedback on the Faculty of Law newsletter. Please forward your comments and suggestions to Penny Cholmondeley, Communications Coordinator, UBC Faculty of Law at pcholm@law.ubc.ca

For the most up-to-date information about all events taking place at the law school check out the Events Calendar on the Faculty of Law website.

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