

2015 Highlights—IU Robert H. McKinney School of Law

The Success of Our Students

- IU McKinney 2Ls Sam Sites and Peter Kern interned during the summer of 2015 in Prague, Czech Republic as part of the law school's Program in International Human Rights Law (PIHRL). Sites and Kern served at the Organization for Aid to Refugees (OPU), a non-governmental organization that focuses solely on refugee rights. <http://mckinneylaw.iu.edu/news/current.cfm?nid=2050>
- Students at the IU Robert H. McKinney School of Law recently reported violations of children prisoners' rights and acts of sexual violence inflicted upon indigenous girls in Kenya to the Pre-Sessional Working Group (PWG) of the UN Committee on the Rights of the Child. Students in the IU McKinney Health and Human Rights Clinic and the Legal Aid Centre of Eldoret (LACE) Kenya urged the committee to take up those issues with the Kenyan government when they meet in Geneva in January 2016. <http://mckinneylaw.iu.edu/news/past.cfm?nid=2029>
- IU McKinney 2L Nasha Baughman received a Reserve Commission through the Navy's Direct Commission Intelligence Officer program. The formal commissioning ceremony was held in the Shrine Room of the Indiana War Memorial in Indianapolis on May 20. In April, Baughman took part in the Joint Service Color Guard as part of the Military Department of Indiana Ceremonial Unit prior to the start of the NCAA Division I Men's Basketball Championship. <http://mckinneylaw.iu.edu/news/past.cfm?nid=2021>
- Burnell Grimes, Jr., an IU McKinney 2L, has been awarded a Faegre Baker Daniels Diversity Fellowship for 2015. He will receive a \$10,000 stipend and a 2015 summer associate position at the firm. The 10-week program includes formal education and training programs, and Grimes will be matched with a mentor lawyer. <http://mckinneylaw.iu.edu/news/past.cfm?nid=1993>
- Tyler Smith, a 2L evening student at IU McKinney, received the Indianapolis Bar Association's Law Student *Pro Bono* Award for 2014. He contributed 375 hours of pro bono service through the Neighborhood Christian Legal Clinic's "Project GRACE," or "Guided Re-entry Assistance and Community Education." Among the project's services is an expungement help desk, which is where Smith's volunteer efforts were directed. <http://mckinneylaw.iu.edu/news/archive.cfm?nid=1772>
- Adriana Figueroa and Steven Nunez have been appointed to the executive board for the Hispanic National Bar Association's (HNBA) Law Student Division. They attended the association's annual convention, held in Washington, D.C., in September 2014. <http://mckinneylaw.iu.edu/news/archive.cfm?nid=1703>
- INDIANA LAW REVIEW editor-in-chief Reid Dodge has been awarded second place for an article he entered into the Georgia State University Intellectual Property Writing

Competition. His article was published with the GSU's **Corporate Intellectual Property Institute**, in October. Dodge's article, "Reasonable Royalty Patent Infringement Damages: A Proposal for More Predictable, Reliable, and Reviewable Standards of Admissibility and Proof for Determining a Reasonable Royalty," examines the limitations of the standard. <http://mckinneylaw.iu.edu/news/archive.cfm?nid=1692>

- The INDIANA LAW REVIEW has been named to the **ExpressO Top 100 Law Review** list for the 2014-2015 academic year. ExpressO is part of bepress, Berkeley Electronic Press. It was founded in 1999 to maximize readership of academic journals and the sharing of ideas among scholars. The ILR staff launched the first **blog** of its kind in the state as a means to make the review more accessible to everyday practitioners. <http://mckinneylaw.iu.edu/news/archive.cfm?nid=1700>
- A paper by Moustafa Alameldin, a student in IU McKinney's International and Comparative Law track in the LL.M. Program, was accepted by the fourth annual Young Comparativists Conference, held at Florida State University College of Law. <http://mckinneylaw.iu.edu/news/archive.cfm?nid=1793>
- Clarence Leatherbury, a 3L student at IU McKinney, published a piece in **JURIST** on the use of torture and national security. The column was published December 28, 2014. JURIST is a legal news and commentary publication operated by the University of Pittsburgh School of Law. <http://mckinneylaw.iu.edu/news/archive.cfm?nid=1834>
- Jasmine Ivy-Dede, a first-year student at the Indiana University Robert H. McKinney School of Law, has been selected as the participant in the Bose McKinney & Evans Diversity Fellowship program for 2015. <http://mckinneylaw.iu.edu/news/past.cfm?nid=1915>

Advances in Health and Life Sciences

- A course created by an IU McKinney Law adjunct professor through a Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Grant examined medical/legal partnership funding, Medicaid coverage of Autism Spectrum Disorder in Indiana, and other health-related issues. The course, offered during the Spring 2015 semester, was interdisciplinary in nature and included law students as well as students from other departments at IUPUI. <http://mckinneylaw.iu.edu/news/past.cfm?nid=2027>
- In November, Professor Nicolas Terry was appointed to a federal advisory committee that makes policy recommendations concerning consumer engagement in their healthcare and the development of health information technology. The committee is the **Consumer Workgroup of the Health and Human Services Health Information Committee**. <http://mckinneylaw.iu.edu/news/archive.cfm?nid=1759>
- On Thursday, January 29, **Professor Nicolas Terry**, Hall Render Professor of Law, was a panelist and discussant at an event hosted by the Center for Democracy & Technology in Washington, D.C. The event, titled "**Always On: The Digital Patient**" which convened

leading experts in health privacy to examine important issues on that topic.

<http://mckinneylaw.iu.edu/news/archive.cfm?nid=1818>

- Professor Nicolas Terry has launched the podcast “The Week in Health Law” with Professor Frank Pasquale of the University of Maryland Francis King Carey School of Law. The **podcast** examines current issues in health law and policy. The first episode covered mobile medical applications, nursing home comparisons, health care data breaches, and health supplements. <http://mckinneylaw.iu.edu/news/past.cfm?nid=1869>

Contributions to the Well-being of the Citizens of Indianapolis, the State of Indiana, and Beyond

- IU McKinney Law hosted the Indiana State Bar Association’s Legal Education Conclave in June. Speakers from across the state and nation met at the law school to discuss the challenges faced by the legal profession and law schools specifically. Deans from all five law schools in Indiana took part in the event. <http://mckinneylaw.iu.edu/news/current.cfm?nid=2067>
- Members of IU McKinney’s Family Law Society held their inaugural Teal Tie fundraising dinner to promote awareness of sexual abuse on March 28 in the atrium at Inlow Hall. The color teal is the official color of Sexual Assault Awareness Month, which is marked each April in the United States. The group raised \$4,024, and divided the funds evenly between Prevent Child Abuse Indiana and Family Works, Inc. <http://mckinneylaw.iu.edu/news/past.cfm?nid=2009>
- IU McKinney law students, overseen by Professor Novella Nedeff, ’83, coached the IPS Shortridge Magnet School team which advanced to the finals of the Indiana High School Mock Trial Competition, March 7-8 at the Indianapolis City-County Building. Shortridge senior Markell Pipkins was awarded the Best Witness honor at the competition. <http://mckinneylaw.iu.edu/news/past.cfm?nid=1900>
- The IU McKinney Law Women’s Caucus raised more than \$15,000 at its annual auction, this year supporting Project Home Indy, a local organization that helps homeless teenage mothers gain self-sufficiency by helping them to develop life skills, access healthcare and pursue education and job training. The 38th annual auction took place on February 26th.
- Professor Nicolas Terry spoke about wearable health technologies and mHealth during the May 7 meeting of InSPN, the Indiana Security & Privacy Network. InSPN is a volunteer, non-profit organization for individuals and organizations who are interested in security, privacy and data exchange best practices and how that affects their work. <http://mckinneylaw.iu.edu/news/past.cfm?nid=1986>
- IU McKinney Professors were recently selected as High-end Foreign Experts by the State Administration of Foreign Expert Affairs in China. The professors taught and conducted

research at the Shanghai University of Political Science and Law.

<http://mckinneylaw.iu.edu/news/past.cfm?nid=1979>

- Professors Cynthia Adams, '83, and Deborah McGregor were honored with a book award at the conclusion of the Global Legal Skills Conference in Verona, Italy, in May. Professor McGregor was an invited panelist, joining professors from Washington University School of Law and the University of North Carolina School of Law, speaking on "Teaching - and Learning from - Today's Teachers and Tomorrow's Lawyers: Lessons from Around the Globe." Professor Adams presented on "Negotiating and Drafting Complex Clauses in Cross-border Agreements." The award was for their contributions to the promotion of global legal skills, based on their text, *The International Lawyer's Guide to Legal Analysis and Communication in the United States* (Aspen 2008). <http://mckinneylaw.iu.edu/news/archive.cfm?nid=1632>
- Professor Nicolas Terry presented his new article on Big Data at a meeting of the Federal Trade Commission on July 16 in Washington, D.C. The article is titled "**Big Data Proxies and Health Privacy Exceptionalism.**" <http://mckinneylaw.iu.edu/news/archive.cfm?nid=1640>
- Professor Margaret Ryznar has completed her residency as an academic visitor at Oxford University. During her months at Oxford, she researched in the area of family law and gave several lectures, including talks on the workings of the estate tax and the dynamics of alimony. <http://mckinneylaw.iu.edu/news/archive.cfm?nid=1641>
- The issue of sex trafficking of children, and state government response, was the focus of the Program on Law and State Government's (PLSG) annual symposium, September 19, 2014 at the IU McKinney School of Law. Two PLSG Fellows, Carlos Gonzalez and Chelsea Shelburne, presented their research to students, faculty and members of the community. <http://mckinneylaw.iu.edu/news/archive.cfm?nid=1658>
- Professor David Orentlicher's column, "**Does America Need More than One President?**" was published online by *Time* magazine. The piece was made available by "Zocalo Public Square," a project of the Center for Social Cohesion at Arizona State University. <http://mckinneylaw.iu.edu/news/archive.cfm?nid=1775>
- IU McKinney School of Law's Center for Intellectual Property Law and Innovation co-organized the inaugural International Intellectual Property Conference with the Shanghai University of Finance and Economics School of Law. The conference was held in Shanghai on December 15 and 16, 2014. <http://mckinneylaw.iu.edu/news/archive.cfm?nid=1794>

Collaboration and Best Practices

- IU McKinney Associate Dean Karen Bravo, together with her colleague Gina Sanchez Gibau, associate dean for student affairs in liberal arts, spearheaded the creation of

IUPUI's Next Generation 2.0 program, a new leadership and professional development initiative for IUPUI faculty and staff.

<http://mckinneylaw.iu.edu/news/current.cfm?nid=2034>

- McKinney Law established the Summer Law and Leadership Academy, a one-week experience designed to introduce undergraduate students from historically underrepresented backgrounds to law school and various careers that they may pursue with a law degree. <https://mckinneylaw.iu.edu/degrees/jd/summer-program/index.html>
- The IU Robert H. McKinney School of Law comes in at number 22 on the website "Best Choice Schools" in their listing of "**The 50 Most Impressive Law School Buildings in the World.**" Among all of the buildings in the U.S., IU McKinney's building, Lawrence W. Inlow Hall, ranked 13, and among those in the Midwest, the law school came in at number three. <http://mckinneylaw.iu.edu/news/archive.cfm?nid=1653>
- Indiana University Robert H. McKinney School of Law was recently chosen once again for the "Best Value Law Schools" list by *The National Jurist* magazine. <http://mckinneylaw.iu.edu/news/archive.cfm?nid=1693>
- IU McKinney Law was honored by the Indiana State Bar Association (ISBA) with the association's Erik Chickedantz Law School Fitness Award during a luncheon on October 8. The Office of Student Affairs instituted Wellness Week and Wellness Wednesdays, during which students, faculty, and staff take part in fitness activities. Other programs addressed emotional and mental health, and financial wellness. <http://mckinneylaw.iu.edu/news/archive.cfm?nid=1707>
- The magazine "Lawyers of Color" has named the Indiana University Robert H. McKinney School of Law to its issue titled "**The Black Law Student's Guide to Law Schools**" 2014 edition. <http://mckinneylaw.iu.edu/news/archive.cfm?nid=1985>
- "What makes people so passionate about the law?" This is the question that sparked the new podcast series produced by Indiana University Robert H. McKinney School of Law. The podcast is called "Is it legal?" and features a series of interviews with professors, alumni and even current students at the school. <http://mckinneylaw.iu.edu/news/past.cfm?nid=1950>
- The IU Robert H. McKinney School of Law has entered into partnerships with undergraduate institutions, providing scholarships and more to designated recipients. Those selected for the program will be named fellows in the student's chosen field of interest, and will receive guaranteed experiential learning, as well as paid employment as a research assistant after completing 30 credit hours in law school. Partnerships have been created with Wabash College, Bradley University, Anderson University, Franklin College, DePauw University, the University of Southern Indiana, Albion College and Marian University.