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# The Rebuttal

## A Letter from the Chief Justice



As our Moot Court Board family continues to grow, this year's justices wanted to reconnect our alumni with our current members, and we thought a newsletter would be the best way to accomplish this task. The Moot Court family has members all across the country and even around the world. But as each of us quickly found out during our time on Stetson's Moot Court Board, once you become a member of the family, you are always a member of the family. I hope this newsletter provides an opportunity for members of the Stetson Moot Court Board family to continue to feel welcomed and informed about the activities and successes of the Board. Additionally, the Justices hope to use the newsletter as a way to show potential new Board members how

being a member of the Moot Court family is multifaceted and includes more than writing briefs, practicing oral arguments, and participating in competitions. Being a member of the Moot Court Board includes being part of the family. The current vision for this newsletter is that it will be published at least once a year and can be found in .pdf form on our new Moot Court Board web site at [www.law.stetson.edu/mootcourt](http://www.law.stetson.edu/mootcourt).

Stetson Moot Court Board has had a very successful year and we were ranked the number one Moot Court program in the Blakely Advocacy Institute rankings for over six months. We have won multiple national and regional championships, best brief awards, and best oralist

awards. Moot Court programs around the country are ranked by different organizations and the most relied upon ranking system is the one done by the Blakely Advocacy Institute, at the University of Houston. In the Blakely ranking system, points are awarded to programs for winning certain awards, and the competitions are tiered based on their size and their prestige. This ranking is significant because the University of Houston hosts the prestigious Andrews Kurth Moot Court National Championship, where the top fifteen moot court programs in the country are invited to participate in a tournament of champions. Based on last year's success, we qualified to compete in the tournament in January, and as of

now, it looks like we will have the same opportunity next year.

Our success is due, in large part, to the support of our alumni, coaches, professors, and guest judges who support the members in every way possible. Thank you to everyone who has supported the Board this year. We really could not have done it without you. As alumni, you should continue to feel proud of being a Moot Court Board alum because the current Board has worked hard at continuing our legacy for excellence. Additionally, I would like to thank Erik Hanson, who serves as an associate justice this year and has ensured that every competition and award we win is properly reported to the Blakely Advocacy Institute, so that we get the credit we deserve.

As many of you have heard, Professor Vaughan was reassigned as the advisor of the Moot Court Board. Dean Dickerson has asked Professor Vaughan to utilize her enthusiasm, passion, and strong communications skills to help assist with fundraising for the law school as the Special Assistant to the Dean for Alumni and Development. Professor Vaughan leaves the Moot Court Board with a legacy of success. At this fall's Advocacy Board's new member welcome dinner, Dean Dickerson and Professor Bowman honored Professor Vaughan's Decade of Distinction as Moot Court faculty advisor. Professor Vaughan served as advisor for the Moot Court Board for over ten years. She has mentored hundreds of advocates and lead teams to win competitions at the state, regional,

national, and international levels. Her dedication to the Board will never be forgotten. Her enthusiasm has been memorialized in the Stephanie A. Vaughan Excellence in Advocacy Award, which is presented at the Honors and Awards Ceremony every May. Although she no longer serves as advisor of the Moot Court Board, Professor Vaughan remains actively involved. She continues to coach teams such as the Willem C. Vis International Commercial Arbitration Moot teams, serves as a guest judge for other team practices, and teaches Research and Writing I and II.

Professor Bowman has been assigned as the new faculty advisor of the Moot Court Board. Professor Bowman is no stranger to the Board. She has coached multiple teams and was very involved in the Moot Court Board class. Professor Bowman continues Professor Vaughan's vision for a successful Moot Court Board. Professor Bowman has already established herself as an advisor who truly cares about the well-being of board members. She has gone above and beyond, and many Board members see her enthusiasm, passion, and dedication as a role model. Under Professor Bowman's leadership, the Board has continued its path to competitive success, as well as exploring new ventures. Whether Professor Bowman travels with a team or not, she celebrates with us when we win and picks us up when we falter. She helps make everything we do possible.

I am very excited to announce that Stetson Moot Court Board has

launched a website. We encourage everyone to visit the site and feel welcome to use it as a resource. The website was designed by Associate Justice Erik Hanson and the Office of Communications at Stetson. We hope that current members, alumni, faculty, first-year students, and potential new members will use the website as a resource because it contains a wide array of information; you can find an online version of this newsletter, a list of our current members and justices, tips for appellate oral arguments, and information about becoming a new member of the Board. The site will continually be updated as we get new members and win awards.

Lastly, I must thank the Moot Court Board for electing me and giving me the opportunity to serve as the Chief Justice. It has been an honor representing the Board. I have enjoyed building my relationships with the current members, helping judge practice oral arguments, and working with Moot Court Board alumni. Working with the Board, Professor Bowman, coaches, and alumni has been a gratifying experience. Thank you for giving me this opportunity during my final year of law school. Thank you for the chance to help lead this family.

Respectfully yours,

*Tony Thomas*

2010–2011 Stetson Moot Court Chief Justice

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## Send in your Kudos!

We hope to incorporate a Kudos section to alumni section in our next newsletter. If you (or you know of a Moot Court alumni) have any honor or achievements, please send kudos to Professor Bowman at [bowman@law.stetson.edu](mailto:bowman@law.stetson.edu). We want to make sure our family continues to recognize the success of our members.

# Alumni Spotlights

## TIFFANY DIORIO '03



Tiffany DiIorio graduated from Stetson Law, cum laude, in 2003. While a member of the Board, Ms. DiIorio competed at the Annual Duberstein Moot Court Competition at St. John's University in New York, which focuses on bankruptcy law. Additionally, Ms. DiIorio competed at a health law competition at the Southern Illinois University College of Law.

Ms. DiIorio has been practicing in the bankruptcy field for eight years. She began her career as in-house counsel for Wilkes & McHugh, P.A. in Tampa before working at Forzis & Dogali, P.A. for three years. Ms. DiIorio then left Forzis & Dogali to work at Hill Ward Henderson for one year prior to finally settling into her current position as a bankruptcy attorney at Shutts & Bowen in Tampa.

Ms. DiIorio stresses how important her experience with Stetson's Moot Court Board has been throughout her career. In fact, she got her first job interview through a contact she met at the Duberstein competition. Today, Ms. DiIorio believes the brief writing techniques and practical experience she gained from her time as a Board member

has been invaluable to her. For example, she believes her ability to follow rules and write succinctly and persuasively is extremely important in her current bankruptcy practice. Additionally, the national popularity of the Duberstein competition and the renown associated with Stetson's Moot Court Board cause judges and other legal personalities to look at Ms. DiIorio as a commensurate professional.

Furthermore, Ms. DiIorio believes the skills she learned as an oral advocate were instrumental in her ability to start her own career. As a young bankruptcy attorney, Ms. DiIorio was often sent to various hearings with little or no assistance, meaning she needed to be well-prepared and confident despite being new to the job. Ms. DiIorio's oral advocacy experience as a Board member taught her what it means to be prepared, professional, and confident in such formal settings.

Today, Ms. DiIorio still works Stetson's Moot Court Board and recently helped coach two Stetson teams at the Duberstein Bankruptcy Competition in March 2011. The Board graciously thanks Ms. DiIorio for her past service as a Board member and for all of her help making Stetson's Moot Court Board excel today.

## JASON STEARNS '08



Jason Stearns graduated from Stetson in 2008, having competed in several competitions and serving as Chief Justice, 2007–2008.

Mr. Stearns competed in several competitions, which allowed him to travel extensively throughout the United States (San Diego, New York City, and Boston), as well as across the globe (Brussels, Belgium, and

Vienna).

Today, Mr. Stearns is a third-year associate with the law firm of Shumaker, Loop & Kendrick, LLP in Tampa. His main area of practice is intellectual property litigation, thus directing his practice primarily to federal courts. Jason believes that federal practice is often referred to as "paper practice" because the court usually decides all motions based on written submissions, without the opportunity for oral argument. As a result, he feels his

brief-writing experience as a member of the Board has proven invaluable in his career.

Additionally, Jason remains active with the Board today. In fact, this year Jason helped coach two teams in the ABA National Appellate Advocacy Competition in New York City (winning both brief and oralist awards), as well as two teams at the E. Earl Zehmer Workers' Compensation Competition in Orlando (with one team winning and the other advancing to the semifinals). He also frequently helps prepare other teams and giving advice throughout the different stages of preparation.

Mr. Stearns' story shows how valuable participation with the Board can be, and not just because membership provides the opportunity to hone one's oral argument skills. Brief writing is a major component of nearly all moot court competitions and membership on the Board essentially assures that one's legal writing abilities will be enhanced.

# Moot Court Board Ranked Fifth in the Nation

Thanks to the hard work and dedication of the Board members and faculty, the Stetson Moot Court Board is currently ranked fifth in the nation, according to the Blakely Advocacy Institute. This past year, we attended fifteen competitions.



**Megan Fossen, Erik Hanson, and Sandra Harrell** (former Associate Justice) competed in the Robert Orseck Memorial Moot Court Competition in Boca Raton, Florida. The team

won Overall Best Team, **Erik Hanson** (Associate Justice) was named Best Oralist and the team also won Best Brief. The team brought home all three top awards.

**Erin Isdell** and **Will Hurter** won Overall Best Team at the Veterans Law Appellate Advocacy Competition sponsored by the U.S. Court of Appeals for Veterans Claims and the Court of Appeals for Veterans Claims Bar Association, in Washington, D.C. This is the second year in a row that Stetson has won the competition. **Will Hurter** also won the Best Advocate Award, the highest individual award in the competition.



**Ashley Dusnik** and **Ashley Ward-Singleton** (former Associate Justice) argued before three judges from Florida's First District Court of Appeal and won Best Oral

Advocates, Team at the E. Earle Zehmer Workers' Compensation Moot Court Competition. The competition is sponsored by the Florida Workers' Compensation Institute. In addition, a second team of Stetson students, **Scott Stevenson** and **Cory Suter**, advanced to the semifinals and won the Best Brief Award. **Scott Stevenson**

was named Best Oral Advocate, Individual in the preliminary rounds.

**Ryan Schmidt, Cory Suter, and Christian Leger** competed in the 29th Annual John Marshall Law School International Moot Court Competition in Information, Technology & Privacy Law. The competition was held in Chicago, Illinois. The team advanced to the semifinal rounds.



**Derrick Clarke, Sandra Harrell, Greg Ludtka,** and team leader **Tony Thomas** (Chief Justice) won the Best Brief award at the 2010 Navy JAG Corps

National Moot Court Competition at the Naval Air Station, Jacksonville, Florida.

**Amanda Adams** and **Frederick Longmire** (Associate Justice) competed in National Criminal Procedure Moot Court Tournament held in San Diego, California. The team advanced to the octofinals and **Frederick Longmire** received Second Best Oralist in the Preliminary Rounds.



**Kaleena (Barnes) Weaver, Jessica Flammer, and Jason Lambert** (Associate Justice) were the Champions at the inaugural Mercer Moot Court Competition in Legal Ethics and Professionalism.

**Brooke Geiger, Ryan Leuthauser, and Darcie Mulay** participated in the National Moot Court Competition hosted by the New York City Bar. The team competed in Jacksonville, Florida and advanced to the semifinals.

**Stephanie Sawchuk, Megan O'Neil, and Christian Leger** (brief writer) competed at the Andrews Kurth Moot Court Championship hosted by University of Houston. Only the top fifteen moot court programs in the country are invited to participate in this tournament of champions.



**Ashley Dusnik** and **Shujaat Khan** participated in the ABA Law Student Division Regional Arbitration Competition in Washington D.C. The arbitration teams are unique because they are

comprised of members of all three advocacy boards at Stetson. This year Stetson sent two teams. **Ashley Dusnik's** team won second place and advanced to the ABA/LSD National Arbitration Competition in Chicago where she wholeheartedly represented Stetson Moot Court Board at the national level.

**Erin Isdell** and **Iva Vasileva** participated in the National Tax Moot Court Competition, which is hosted by The Florida Bar. The competition was held in St. Pete Beach and Stetson Moot Court Board Members helped facilitate the competition.



**Andrew Celauro, Caitlin Parry, Amelia Hummel, and Scott Stevenson** competed in Oregon this February at the Phillip C. Jessup International Moot Court Competition, which is the largest moot court competition in the world.

The team won the Best Memorial Award (Best Brief) and **Amelia Hummel** and **Scott Stevenson** were both recognized as 11th Best Oralist, and **Andrew Celauro** was recognized as 14th Best Oralist.

Team Hong Kong: **Cristina Cambo, Katelyn Desrosiers, Jake Hanson, Will Hurter, and Christina Unkel**; and Team Vienna: **John Henley, Ron Hink, Karly Hughs, Elena Kohn, and Matt LaMaster** competed in The Florida Bar VIS pre-moot in sunny Miami. Stetson won Second Place overall, and **Karly Hughs** won Second Best Oralist in the competition.

The teams of **Erik Hanson** (Associate Justice), **Jason Lambert** (Associate Justice), and **Frederick Longmire** (Associate Justice) and **Jessica Flammer, Greg Ludtka, and May Smith** competed in the ABA National Appellate Advocacy Competition. The team of **Jessica, Greg, and May** advanced into the finals. **Jessica Flammer** won the Seventh Best Oralist Award, and the team of **Erik, Jason, and Frederick** advanced to the semifinals and won the Second Best Brief Award.

**Kaleena (Barnes) Weaver, Cory Suter, Derrick Clarke, and Christian Leger** competed in the 19th Annual Chief Judge Conrad B. Duberstein National Bankruptcy Memorial Moot Court Competition. The competition was

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## Moot Court and Law Review Host a Picnic on the Beach

Members of the Moot Court Board and Stetson Law Review came together this March for a joint social at the Gulfport Beach. Over thirty students attended along with family members, friends, and even pets! Both organizations understand that a person must balance hard work with a little bit of fun—and who better to

know hard work (and fun) than members of the Stetson Moot Court Board and Law Review? Members of both organizations enjoyed socializing with each other outside of the courtroom and the library and on the beach where there was good food, games, and plenty of sand.

## Current Members Mentor the Future

Stetson Moot Court Board has continued to foster a strong relationship with the University of Tampa Undergraduate Moot Court Program. Current Stetson Moot Court Board members traveled to the UT campus and helped judge their practices and provided feedback and guidance for the regional and national collegiate

competitions. The undergraduate students were greatly appreciative of all the help we provided them and were very grateful for our feedback and mentorship. The University of Tampa qualified for the National American Collegiate Moot Court Association Tournament this year.

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## Stetson Moot Court Board Hosts Careers in Appellate Advocacy Panel

This year, the Justices hosted a Careers in Appellate Advocacy Panel Discussion for the entire Stetson Community. The program showed the community how participation in the Moot Court Board was an excellent way to springboard into a career of appellate advocacy. The panelists were Moot Court Board alumni: Tracy Leduc, career staff attorney for the Honorable Craig C. Villanti at the Second District Court of Appeal; Amy Miles, associate at McCumber Daniels in Tampa; and Stephanie Zimmerman, attorney for the Solomon Law Group. Tony Thomas (Chief Justice) served as moderator for the discussion. The three alumni discussed their experience in appellate advocacy after law school and what helped them break into the competitive market of appellate advocacy, and provided tips to students about appellate advocacy. Over forty students, many of whom were not members of the Moot Court Board, attended the event.

The panelists offered different pieces of advice for students about breaking into the appellate advocacy market. Many of the tips revolved around networking and getting involved in order to make connections. Stephanie Zimmerman recommended that students get involved with bar associations at both the local and national level. She recommended getting involved with the Council of Appellate Lawyers, which is a part of the Judicial

Division of the ABA. Ms. Zimmerman told the students that the council met every other year in Orlando, and that students who attended last year's conference were fawned over by appellate attorneys and judges. Membership to the Judicial Division is only \$10 and students can sign up on the ABA homepage. (Additionally, students may ask Tony Thomas any questions about the Division because he serves as the National Law Student Division Liaison to the Judicial Division.) The panelists also mentioned getting involved in Inns of Court, which are organizations that hold monthly dinners with pupillage groups (or small groups) that consisted of new and senior lawyers, judges, professors, and students. Stetson students are actively involved in multiple Inns of Courts and Stetson offers assistance with Inn dues. Information regarding the different Inns of Courts can be found at <http://www.innsofcourt.org/>. Lastly, the panelists mentioned helping out with publications. There are many publications sponsored by local and national bars, and the editors of the publications are always looking for help with citation checks and possibly even student-written articles. Ms. Miles, who is the assistant editor of *The Record*, The Florida Bar's appellate practice section's publication, recommends contacting editors of publications and asking if they need assistance. All three

panelists said networking with appellate attorneys and expressing your interest were great ways to break into the competitive market.

The panelists also offered oral advocacy tips to the students. The panelists recommended that students have an excellent knowledge of the facts in the record, and appellees should be responsive in their arguments because the judicial panel will appreciate an appellee who recognizes the issues that are in contention. Ms. Leduc, who sees appellate arguments on a regular basis, suggests that students should be less concerned with their hand gestures because the rule of "no hand gestures" and gripping the podium is now considered dated. In fact, Ms. Leduc said that in state court, hand gestures were acceptable and if used properly for emphasis, hand gestures could be persuasive tools.

The panel discussion was extremely informative and the students learned so much from these great alumni. Stetson Moot Court Board hopes to continue providing events like this that make the most of our great alumni, provide an opportunity for the entire school to benefit, and attract potential new members. If you or a Moot Court Board alum you know would like to get involved with events like this one, please e-mail us.

# Spring 2011 Justice Board



## **Tony Thomas, Chief Justice**

Tony Thomas is a third-year student and serves as Chief Justice of the Moot Court Board. Last year he competed in the Phillip C. Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition and the team's memorial (brief) was ranked Top Ten in the competition. Tony also competed in the 2010 Navy JAG Corps National Moot Court competition this fall and his team won the Best Brief Award. In addition to being Chief Justice of Moot Court, Tony is very involved on Stetson's campus—he is an Assistant Editor on the Stetson Law Review and was selected to present his paper at the Stetson Law Review Scholarship Presentation; the co-founder and past President of the Stetson South Asian Law Student Association; Deputy Chief Ambassador in charge of the Mentoring Program for first-year law students; the ABA National Law Student Liaison to the Judicial Division; a Student Bar Association representative; a Teaching Assistant for Trial Advocacy and Florida Constitutional Law; and a member of the Phi Delta Phi Legal Honors Fraternity.

Tony is from Atlanta, Georgia and graduated from Emory University with a bachelor's degree in Psychology and Linguistics. Tony was president and captain of Emory's National Award Winning Mock Trial Team and the State President of the United Indian Student Alliance. Tony plans to move to Washington, D.C. after graduation and is interested in working in corporate law and litigation.



## **Erik Hanson, Associate Justice**

Erik Hanson is a third-year, part-time student graduating in May 2012. Erik is a Moot Court Board Associate Justice and an associate for the Stetson Law Review. In summer 2010, he competed in the Robert M. Orseck Memorial Moot Court Competition at The Florida Bar conference, where he won Best Advocate and his team won Best Brief and Best Overall Team. In spring 2011, Erik also competed in the ABA National Appellate Advocacy Competition, Brooklyn Regional, where his team advanced to the semifinals and won the Second-Best Brief Award. Erik hails from upstate New York. During his undergraduate career, Erik worked for a tort defense and complex litigation firm in Fort Myers. He graduated from Florida Gulf Coast University, summa cum laude, with a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science and a Minor in International Relations. While attending Stetson, Erik works full-time for an international technology retailer. After graduation, Erik intends to stay in south Florida and practice in commercial and/or intellectual property litigation.



## **Frederick Longmire, Associate Justice**

Frederick Longmire is a second-year student and serves as an Associate Justice of the Moot Court Board. Frederick competed in the 2010 National Criminal Procedure Tournament and was named Second Best Oralist, Preliminary Rounds. In spring 2011, Frederick also competed in the 2011 ABA National Appellate Advocacy Competition, where his team, with Erik Hanson and Jason Lambert, advanced to semifinals and won the Second-Best Brief Award. In addition to serving as an Associate Justice, Frederick is Parliamentarian of the Black Law Student Association, a Student Bar Association representative, member of ABA Law Student division, and a member of the Phi Delta Phi Legal Honors Fraternity. Frederick is from Pensacola, Florida, and graduated from University of West Florida, with a bachelor's degree in Criminal Justice. Prior to law school, Frederick served as the Juvenile Drug Court Coordinator for the 1st Judicial Circuit of Florida. He also served on the Board of Directors for Florida Drug Court Professionals, was a member of Juvenile Justice Council, a member of Florida Law Advisory Group, and a member of National Drug Court Professionals, and he published two articles regarding juvenile drug courts and volunteered as a fire fighter. Frederick is interested in both civil and criminal law.



## **Jason Lambert, Associate Justice**

Jason Lambert has lived in the Tampa Bay area for most of his life and attended Stetson University in Deland for undergrad, where he received a bachelor's degree in Business Administration in Management. Prior to entering law school, Jason worked for several years in the construction industry, ultimately selling a business focused on providing construction notice services to subcontractors. At Stetson, he has served as a mentor to incoming students as a Stetson Ambassador. As a competitor for Stetson's Moot Court Board, Jason and his teammates were the Champions of the Mercer Moot Court Competition on Legal Ethics and Professionalism in fall 2010 and was a regional semifinalist and Second-Best Brief Award at the ABA National Appellate Advocacy Competition this spring. Post graduation, Jason hopes to continue his current employment while developing an appellate practice.

# Moot Court Board Website Officially Launches!

This year, Associate Justice Erik Hanson designed and launched a Moot Court Board website in conjunction with the Communications Department. Ideas and feedback were solicited from the justices, as well as administrators, and Erik has put together a professional website showcasing the talent of the Stetson Moot Court Board.

The purpose of the website is three-fold. We hope to interest rising first-year students in the Moot Court

Board and educate them as to what the Board actually does—compete and represent Stetson at appellate advocacy competitions across the world. We will also be posting instructional videos for students and practitioners to hone their appellate advocacy skills. And finally, the site is designed as a networking tool to keep alumni and the Stetson community apprised of the Board’s successes.

Be sure to check the site regularly, as we will be updating it

continuously. A copy of this newsletter and future issues can also be found on the website. As we continue the Stetson tradition of excellence in advocacy and legal writing, we want to keep you informed. You can visit the Moot Court Board website at <http://www.law.stetson.edu/mootcourt>.

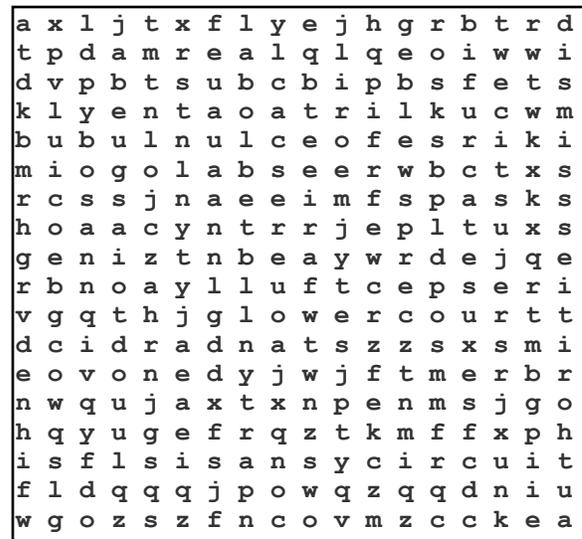
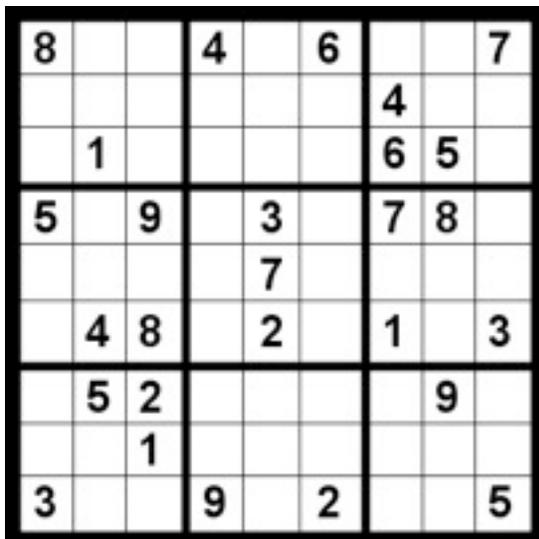


## Welcoming Two New Members

This January, we added two new members to our Moot Court family—Chad Burgess and Amanda Corsentino. Chad and Amanda both participated in the Phelps Dunbar First-Year Appellate Advocacy Competition in December. Chad Burgess, who ultimately won best advocate at the competition, is a part-time student, an associate for the Stetson Law Review, a soon-

to-be-dad, and a full-time firefighter. Amanda Corsentino, who is a newly converted full-time student, is from the Tampa Bay area, a soon to be bride, and has a B.A. in Political Science and a Master of Public Administration from the University of South Florida. We are very excited to see these new members compete this summer, welcome!

## Fun & Games



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## Recent & Upcoming Graduates

This past December five of our Moot Court Board Members graduated. We are very sad to see Ashley Ward-Singleton (former Associate Justice), Sandra Harrell (former Associate Justice), Ryan Schmidt, Meg Martin, and Amanda Adams leave us, but we know they are going on to do great things and become successful.

This May we will have thirteen graduates: Cristina Cambo, Andrew Celauro, Derrick Clarke, Jake Hanson, Karly Hughs, William Hurter, Erin Isdell, Shujaat Khan, Matt LaMaster, Megan O'Neil, Caitlin Parry, Tony Thomas (Chief Justice), and Kaleena (Barnes) Weaver. These advocates have been successful during their tenure on the Board. Please see below for a list of all their successes! We are very proud of our recent and upcoming graduates and congratulate them on all of their future achievements.

### MOOT COURT GRADUATING MEMBERS

Cristina Cambo  
 Andrew Celauro  
 Derrick Clarke  
 Jacob Hanson  
 Karly Hughs  
 William Hurter  
 Erin Isdell  
 Shujaat Khan  
 Matthew LaMaster  
 Megan O'Neil  
 Caitlin Parry  
 Tony Thomas (Chief Justice)  
 Kaleena (Barnes) Weaver

#### 2009 Veterans Law Appellate Advocacy Competition

Washington, D.C.  
 First Place  
 Best Respondent's Brief Award  
 Best Overall Oralist Award  
*Megan O'Neil*  
 Coach: Professor Michael Allen

#### ABA Law Student Division National Appellate Advocacy Competition

Las Vegas, Nevada  
 Finalist  
*Megan O'Neil*  
 Semifinalist  
*Erin Isdell (brief writer)*  
 Coaches: Professors Michael Allen and Louis Virelli

#### 2010 Philip C. Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition

Miami, Florida  
 Quarterfinalists  
 Top ten best written memorial award  
*Andrew Celauro*  
*Caitlin Parry*  
*Tony Thomas*  
*William Hurter*

Coaches: Professor Jason Palmer and Logan Murphy, Esq.

#### 2010 Veterans Law Appellate Advocacy Competition

Washington, D.C.  
 First Place  
 Best Overall Oralist Award (William)  
*William Hurter*  
*Erin Isdell*  
 Coach: Professor Michael Allen

#### 2010 Navy JAG Corps National Moot Court Competition

Jacksonville, Florida  
 Best Brief Award  
 Participants  
*Derrick Clarke*  
*Tony Thomas (team leader)*  
 Coach: Larry Miccolis, Esq.

#### Fifth Annual Immigration Law Moot Court Competition

New York, New York  
 Participant  
*Shujaat Khan*

Coaches: Professors Brooke Bowman and Arturo Rios

**Mercer Moot Court Competition on Legal Ethics and Professionalism**

Macon, Georgia  
First Place

*Kaleena (Barnes) Weaver*

Coaches: Professors Brooke Bowman and Roberta Flowers

**Andrews Kurth Moot Court National Championship**

Houston, Texas  
Participant

*Megan O'Neill*

Coaches: Professors Brooke Bowman and Stephanie Vaughan

**National Tax Moot Court Competition**

St. Pete Beach, Florida  
Participant

*Erin Isdell*

Coaches: Kathryn Everlove-Stone, Esq. and Joseph Rugg, Esq.

**2011 Philip C. Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition**

Portland, Oregon  
Quarterfinalists

14th Best Oralist (Andrew)

First Place Memorial Award

*Andrew Celauro*

*Caitlin Parry*

Coaches: Professor Jason Palmer and Logan Murphy, Esq.

**2011 The International Law Section of The Florida Bar Vis Pre-Moot**

Miami, Florida

Second place team

Second Best Oralist (Karly)

*Cristina Cambo*

*Jacob Hanson*

*Karly Hughes*

*William Hurter*

*Matthew LaMaster*

Coaches: Professors Marco Jimenez, Joseph Morrissey, and Stephanie Vaughan

**18th Annual Chief Judge Conrad B. Duberstein National Bankruptcy Memorial Moot Court Competition**

New York, New York

Participants

*Derrick Clarke*

*Kaleena (Barnes) Weaver*

Professor Terri Radwan and Tiffany DiIorio, Esq.

**2011 Willem C. Vis International Commercial Arbitration Moot (East)**

Hong Kong

Competition to be held in early-April

*Cristina Cambo*

*Jacob Hanson*

Professors Marco Jimenez, Joseph Morrissey, and Stephanie Vaughan

**2011 Willem C. Vis International Commercial Arbitration Moot**

Vienna, Austria

Competition to be held in mid-April

*Karly Hughes*

*Matthew LaMaster*

Coaches: Professors Marco Jimenez, Joseph Morrissey, and Stephanie Vaughan