



COLLEGE OF LAW

FSU LAW FOCUS

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From the Dean

On Saturday, February 25, our Student Bar Association is hosting the [FSU Law Classic Golf Tournament](#) at Don Veller Seminole Golf Course in Tallahassee. The tournament is open to current students and alumni and will be a wonderful networking opportunity. All proceeds from the event will benefit the College of Law. The alumni entrance fee of \$60 will give alums access to the 18-hole golf tournament, a putting contest, a breakfast buffet, unlimited driving range balls, a sleeve of FSU logo golf balls, a barbecue lunch buffet and complimentary drinks. You can [register online](#) – teams of four will be randomly assigned if you do not register with a team. As tickets are limited, the event is first come, first served. Please [email any questions to SBA member Matt Margolis](#).



- Dean Erin O'Connor

50-Year Anniversary: Featuring 1983

Founded in 1983, the [Journal of Land Use & Environmental Law](#) is a student-run



publication that was founded to provide a scholarly forum for the discussion of land use and environmental legal developments around the world. It is published twice a year, fall and spring, and students are currently working on volume 32. At the time of its founding, it was the state's first and only student publication in environmental and land use law. College of Law documents from 1983 reveal the many changes in technology that have developed over the last thirty years. The student lounge housed free telephones for student use and a pay phone was available in the lobby. The library also featured five typing rooms. Documents noted, "library users must bring their own typewriters."



Alum Profile: Lansing C. Scriven ('87)

[Lansing C. "Lanse" Scriven](#) ('87) is a partner at Trenam Law, a full-service law firm in the Tampa Bay area. He has a business litigation practice with a focus on business divorces, non-compete enforcement and trade secret litigation. He also was a solo practitioner for 10 years. Scriven is married to fellow FSU law alum Mary S. Scriven ('87); they have four children and one grandson.

Scriven is extremely engaged in The Florida Bar. In 2008, he was elected to the Bar's Board of Governors. He also has served as chair of the Budget Committee, as vice-chair of the Board Review Committee on Professional Ethics, and as a member of the Executive Committee. Scriven recently was appointed to the Board of Governors' Special Committee on the 2017 Constitution Revision Commission. He currently is vying to become President-Elect of The Florida Bar. Voting in the election begins March 1, 2017. Scriven also has served as president of the Hillsborough County Bar Association, the Florida Chapter of the National Bar Association, and the George Edgecomb Bar Association.



“I have been humbled by the support of my fellow FSU law alums around the country in both my practice and my many years of service to the profession.”

Student Profile: 3L Natalie Martinez

Natalie Martinez is a graduate of FSU with a bachelor's degree in English. In May, Martinez will graduate with the Business Law Certificate in addition to her J.D. Originally from Miami, Martinez would like to practice business law and aspires to be a transactional attorney or in-house counsel associate for a large company. She would prefer to practice in Miami or Coral Gables, but is open to anywhere in the South Florida area. During her law school career, Martinez participated in the Oxford Study Abroad Program and has been a member of the Cuban American Bar Association, the Business Law Society, the Women's Law Symposium and the Student Bar Association. She also spent several semesters as a Phonathon caller. During her 1L year, Martinez worked as a legal intern for Florida Senator Anitere Flores. She clerked for the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services Office of General Counsel during her 2L year. Last summer, Martinez clerked for Zarco Einhorn Salkowski & Brito, P.A., where she focused on franchise law cases. Currently, Martinez is working in the FSU Business Law Clinic, where she helps FSU students and faculty resolve legal matters for their start-up businesses. If you are interested in hiring Martinez for a job after graduation, please [visit her LinkedIn profile](#).



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