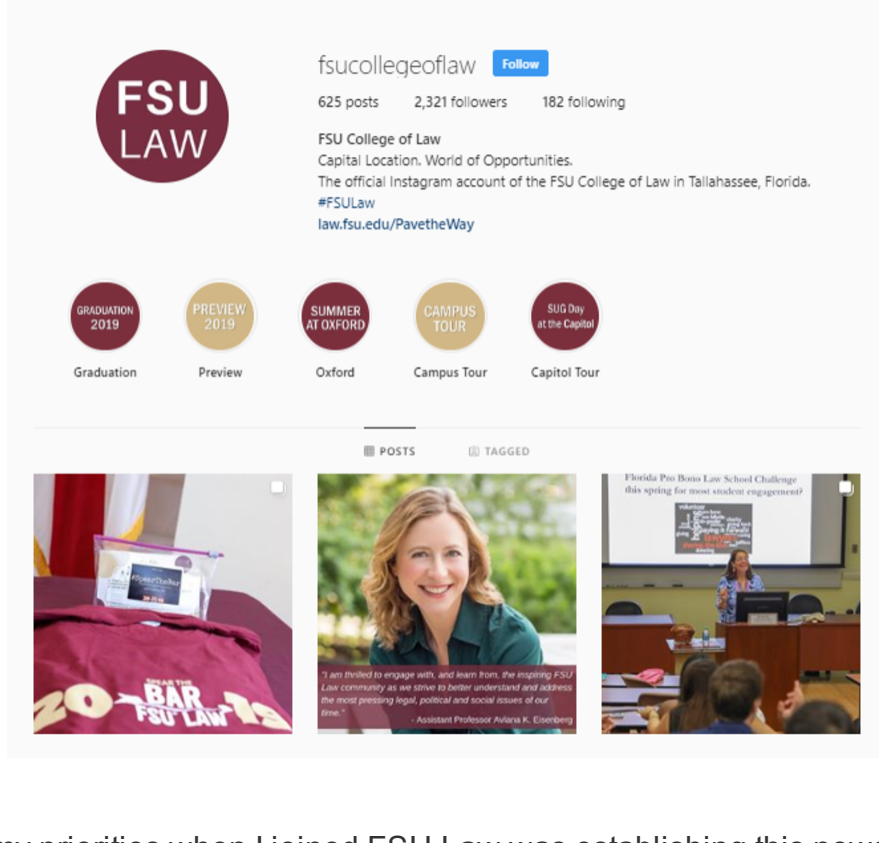


## From the Dean



One of my priorities when I joined FSU Law was establishing this newsletter. It has been a valuable tool in communicating with you about all of the exciting things that are happening at the law school. Similarly, we have ramped up our social media accounts with the goal of sharing more news with alumni, students, prospective students and others. If you aren't already following us on [Facebook](#), [Instagram](#), [Twitter](#) and [YouTube](#), I encourage you to follow us at fsucollegeoflaw. Our pages allow us to publicize the accomplishments of our students, alumni and faculty members, and share information about events and offerings at FSU Law. If you know anyone considering law school, please encourage them to follow us on social media. Now more than ever, prospective students are utilizing social media to evaluate schools and to get a sense of the community they might join. Our Instagram, YouTube and [Admissions Blog](#) content is especially curated with prospective students in mind and includes videos featuring current students that highlight our location, campus, professors, programs and experiential offerings. Being able to communicate with prospective students through social media is an amazing opportunity, especially when we have so much good news to share!

- Dean Erin O'Connor

## Professor Morley Appointed to Criminal Punishment Code Task Force

Last week, Florida Governor Ron DeSantis appointed FSU Law Professor [Michael T. Morley](#) to the newly created Criminal Punishment Code Task Force. Morley is an expert in the areas of election law, constitutional law, remedies and federal courts. He previously served as special assistant to the general counsel of the U.S. Army and clerked for Judge Gerald B. Tjoflat, of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit. He also was a Climenko Fellow and Lecturer on Law at Harvard Law School. Morley earned his bachelor's degree *magna cum laude* from Princeton University and his juris doctorate from the Yale Law School, where he was editor of the *Yale Law Journal*.



The Honorable Michael F. Andrews, a 1991 graduate of FSU Law, was also appointed to the task force last week. He is a judge at the Sixth Judicial Circuit Court and previously served as a judge for Pinellas County from 1997-2003.

The Criminal Punishment Code Task Force was created by the Legislature during the 2019 session and approved by the governor in June. Its purpose is to review, evaluate and make recommendations regarding sentencing for and ranking of noncapital felony offenses under the Criminal Punishment Code. The task force will submit a report to Governor DeSantis, Senate President Bill Galvano, House Speaker José Oliva and Florida Supreme Court Chief Justice Charles Canady by June 30, 2020. The report must include, at minimum, the issues considered by the task force, any recommendations for legislative changes and an analysis of the expected impact of recommendations if enacted by the Legislature.

"I am honored that Governor DeSantis appointed me to the Criminal Punishment Code Task Force," said Morley. "I look forward to working with experts from throughout the state to develop recommendations to help ensure that our state's criminal sanctions are tailored to promote justice, ensure public safety and guarantee fair treatment."

## Alum Profile: Charles W. Griggers ('01)

[Charles "Chuck" Griggers](#) is a partner at Thomas Horstemeyer, LLP, an intellectual property boutique law firm in Atlanta. He practices in all areas of intellectual property law, including post grant patent proceedings, rendering of legal opinions, and prosecution in patents, trademarks and copyrights. He has patent prosecution experience in a wide range of electrical, optical, mechanical and electromechanical technologies, and is registered to practice before the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office and select courts, including the United States Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit. Griggers is a member of the Intellectual Property Section of the State Bar of Georgia and remains engaged with Florida State College of Law by sponsoring a book award for patent law with Thomas Horstemeyer, LLP.



*"Encouraging and promoting the continued development of intellectual property attorneys at Florida State is important as our industries and economies, both in the United States and internationally, are fostered by technological advances and new innovations which need to be valued and protected by able and skilled attorneys."*

## Student Profile: 2019 Grad Jacob A. Paglialonga

**Desired Practice Location:** Tallahassee  
**Specialization:** Real estate law and business litigation, including condominium and community housing law  
**Field of Law Sought:** Condominium law, commercial litigation



Jacob A. Paglialonga is originally from Winter Park, Florida. He is a double 'Nole, earning a bachelor's degree in marketing from the FSU College of Business, with minors in real estate and hospitality. He is a May 2019 graduate of FSU Law. During the last three summers, Paglialonga interned at Fassett, Anthony & Taylor, P.A. in Orlando. Although the firm offered him a full-time position, Paglialonga will be staying in Tallahassee due to his fiancé's medical school rotations in the city. While at Fassett, Anthony & Taylor, Paglialonga oversaw and independently administered client files, conducted research, reviewed, organized and filed court documents, and drafted complaints, motions, answers and demand letters. Paglialonga was exposed to many areas of practice, including service/sales contracts, real estate transactions/leases, real estate litigation, condo/homeowner associations, foreclosures, wills and trusts, probate, class action automotive defects/warranties, workers' compensation, consumer protections, intellectual property/copyright, Florida tax code, and more. During the fall of his 2L year, Paglialonga clerked at Anderson, Givens & Fredericks, where he administered the legal affairs for condominium and homeowner associations located in Tallahassee and Sarasota. Paglialonga was a member of the Business Law Society and the Student Bar Association. He also participated in the FSU Business Law Clinic. Paglialonga received Book Awards in Condominium & Community Housing Law, as well as Law & Risk Management. His article, "David and Goliath, Alternative Dispute Resolution in Florida Condominium Communities," was recently selected for publication in the upcoming edition of the Thomson Reuters *Real Estate Review*. If you are interested in hiring Paglialonga, [visit his LinkedIn profile](#).

*"As the son of a self-made entrepreneur, I was raised to have an unwavering work ethic and a devout passion for business. My experiences in business initiated my interest in law and served as the foundation for my legal education. It's not my academic achievements at FSU that set me apart from my peers, but my practical understanding of how the law can be utilized to advance a client's interest in the real world."*

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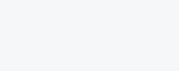
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