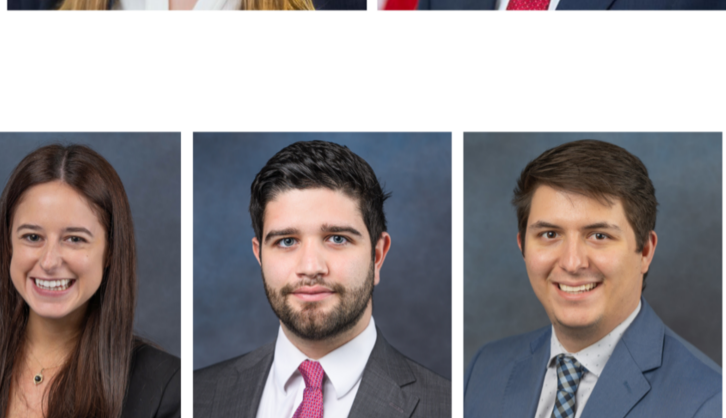


## From the Dean



### FSU Law Florida Gubernatorial Fellows Class XVI



## 2021 Florida House Legislative Interns

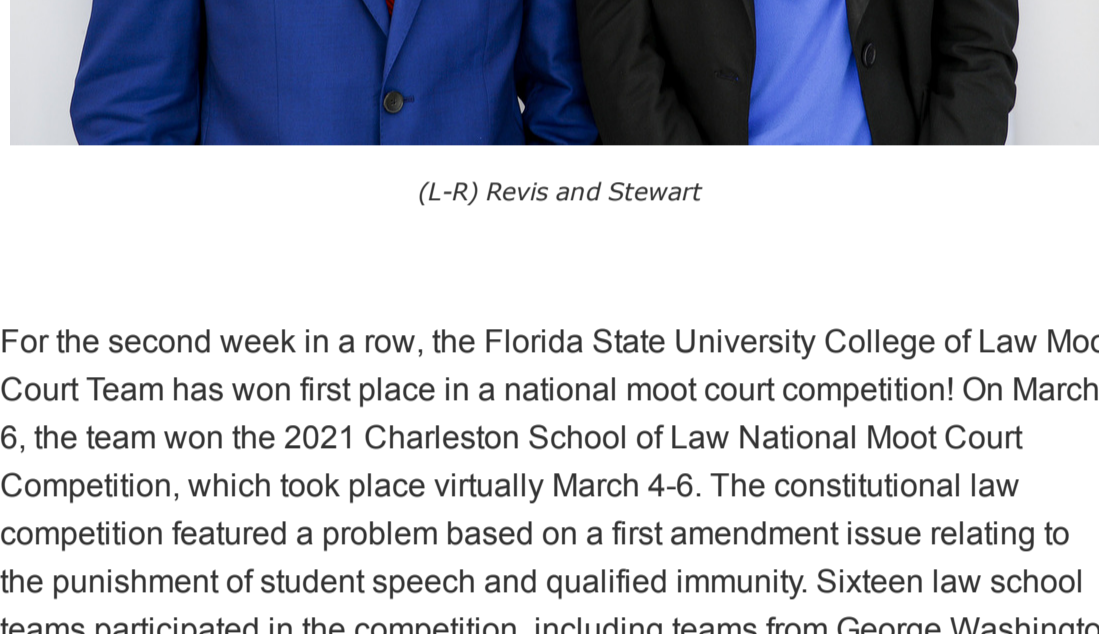
We are very proud to have several FSU Law students currently serving as Gubernatorial Fellows and Florida House Legislative Interns. Through both of these outstanding programs, our students are gaining invaluable experience related to the law and public policy.

The nine-member 2020-21 Florida Gubernatorial Fellows Class XVI includes five FSU Law students! Students have been serving as fellows since August, working in key areas of state government and interacting with many of the state's top leaders. Congratulations to (top L-R) 3L Christina Castillo, who is working at the Department of Education; 2L Zuriel Denmark, who is working at the Department of Environmental Protection; 3L Cooper Harrison, who is working at the Agency for Health Care Administration; (bottom L-R) 2L Maggie McCormick, who is working at the Department of Management Services; and Daniel Murphy, who is working at the Division of Emergency Management.

The 2021 Florida House Legislative Intern class of nine includes eight FSU Law students! Through this program, students are assigned to work for different Florida House committees and are immersed in the legislative process. They are gaining immeasurable insight into the inner workings of government. Congratulations to (clockwise from top left) 2L Katie Bauman, who is working with the Education & Employment Committee; 2L Marin Donnelly, who is working in the Majority Office; 3L Salim Douaihi, who is working with the Health & Human Services Committee; 3L Grant Haas, who is working with the Commerce Committee; 2L Paul Repper, who is working with the Rules Committee; 3L Roberta Skinner, who is working with the Pandemics & Public Emergencies Committee; 3L Conner Timoney, who is working with the Public Integrity & Elections Committee; and 3L Lydia Walsh, who is working with the Judiciary Committee.

-Dean Erin O'Connor

## Moot Court Team Wins Second Championship in Two Weeks



(L-R) Revis and Stewart

For the second week in a row, the Florida State University College of Law Moot Court Team has won first place in a national moot court competition! On March 6, the team won the 2021 Charleston School of Law National Moot Court Competition, which took place virtually March 4-6. The constitutional law competition featured a problem based on a first amendment issue relating to the punishment of student speech and qualified immunity. Sixteen law school teams participated in the competition, including teams from George Washington University, University of North Carolina and University of Wisconsin.

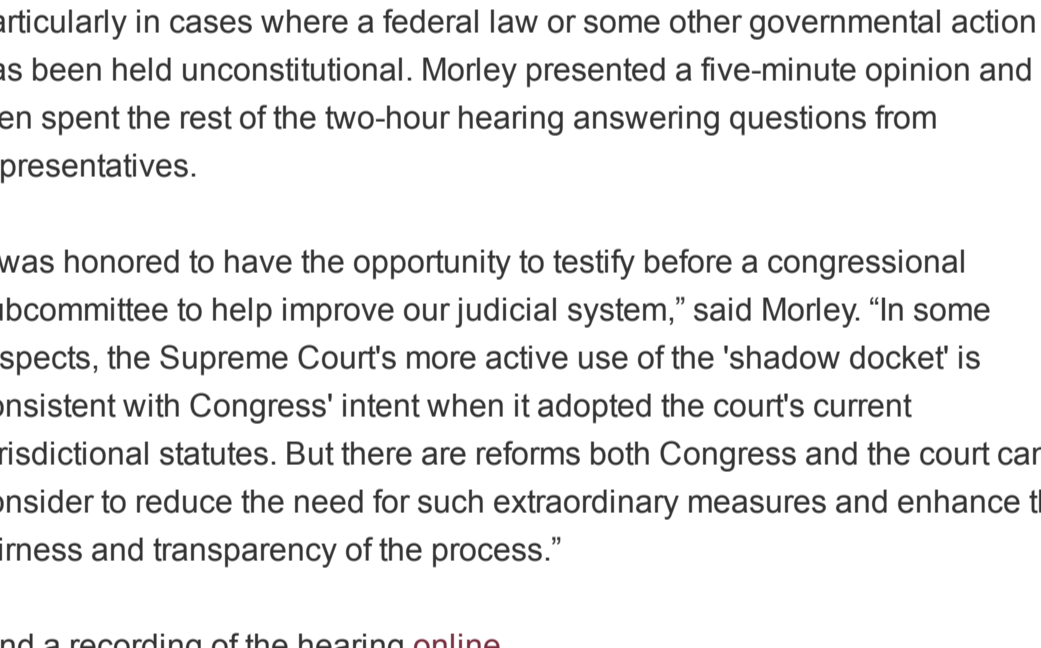
Winning team members are third-year law students Chad Revis and Brooke Stewart. In addition, third-year student Daniel Corbett participated in the brief writing portion of the competition. The Honorable James R. Wolf, who was a judge on the Florida First District Court of Appeal before retiring in 2020, coached the team to victory. This is the third national championship team Judge Wolf has coached for FSU Law. Alumna JoLen Rawls Wolf ('76), an attorney at The Mills Firm in Tallahassee who previously taught Legal Writing and Research at FSU Law, also played a substantial role in preparing the team for competition.

"We are extremely proud of our talented Moot Court students for bringing home a second national championship in as many weeks," said Dean Erin O'Connor. "We are also grateful to their coach and all of the other attorneys who helped them prepare for national success."

## Professor Morley Testifies Before House Judiciary Committee

### The Supreme Court's Shadow Docket

Thursday, February 18, 2021 - 2:00pm



On Thursday, February 18, Professor Michael T. Morley was one of four experts to testify before the U.S. House Judiciary Committee's Subcommittee on the Courts, Intellectual Property, and the Internet. The virtual hearing was on the Supreme Court's "shadow docket," which refers to the court's rulings on requests for extraordinary relief, such as emergency stays, summary reversal and certiorari before judgment. These rulings are typically made quickly and without oral argument or amici participation, often without published opinions, and sometimes without all of the justices' votes being publicized. According to Morley, the court has grown more likely to grant such relief in recent years, particularly in cases where a federal law or some other governmental action has been held unconstitutional. Morley presented a five-minute opinion and then spent the rest of the two-hour hearing answering questions from representatives.

"I was honored to have the opportunity to testify before a congressional subcommittee to help improve our judicial system," said Morley. "In some respects, the Supreme Court's more active use of the 'shadow docket' is consistent with Congress' intent when it adopted the court's current jurisdictional statutes. But there are reforms both Congress and the court can consider to reduce the need for such extraordinary measures and enhance the fairness and transparency of the process."

Find a recording of the hearing [online](#).

## Alum Profile: Roger J. "R.J." Haughey ('97)

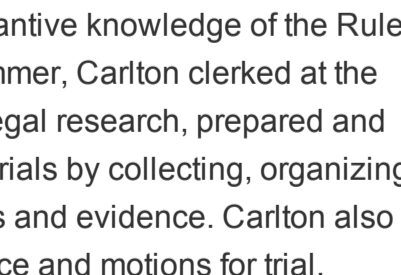
[Roger J. "R.J." Haughey](#) is a shareholder at Sivyver Barlow & Watson in Tampa. His practice concentrates in commercial litigation and dispute resolution, including business litigation and construction litigation, lenders' rights, creditors' rights, real estate litigation, restrictive covenant litigation and counseling clients with respect to litigation-related business matters. Haughey is also a licensed title agent who handles commercial real estate transactions. He was president of The Florida Bar Young Lawyers Division in 2009-2010 and has served on numerous Florida Bar committees, chairing the Rules of Civil Procedure Committee for 2016-2017. He is the former president of the board of directors for Big Brothers Big Sisters of Tampa Bay, Inc., has served as a board member or volunteer in numerous community organizations and coached youth baseball for over a decade. Haughey also currently serves on the FSU College of Law Alumni Association Board of Directors. He is married to April Haughey ('97), an assistant state attorney in Hillsborough County. They have two boys, Roger and Jackson, who are both huge FSU fans.



*"I am very grateful for the foundation that the FSU College of Law provided me and the lifelong friendships that began there. I would certainly not have enjoyed the fulfilling career practicing law without the education and inspiration I received from the faculty and administration in Tallahassee."*

## Student Profile: 3L Kelsey Carlton

**Desired Practice Location:** Tallahassee; open to relocating within Florida  
**Expected Graduation:** Spring 2021  
**Field of Law Sought:** Transactional law, government law or administrative law



Originally from Tallahassee, Kelsey Carlton will become a double 'Nole when she graduates from FSU Law this spring. She also earned a bachelor's degree in political science and sociology from FSU. This semester, Carlton is clerking at the Florida Department of Financial Services, Office of the General Counsel, where she has been learning about the state's procurement process and reviewing contract language. Since May 2019, Carlton has also been clerking as a human resources assistant for the Republican Party of Florida. She receives, records and deposits cash, checks and vouchers; maintains accounts of fundraising activities in compliance with campaign finance laws; updates internal databases with donor contact information; prepares and itemizes expense reports; prepares internal and external memoranda; and organizes and updates employee records. During the spring semester of her 2L year, Carlton externed at The Florida Bar Division of Ethics and Consumer Protection, where she researched and developed diversity and inclusion issues to publish in The Florida Bar publications, applied facts to requests for relief in Clients' Security Fund matters and utilized substantive knowledge of the Rules of Professional Responsibility. During her 1L summer, Carlton clerked at the Law Office of Brian C. Keri, PA. She conducted legal research, prepared and proofread legal drafts, and assembled case materials by collecting, organizing and summarizing information, documents, reports and evidence. Carlton also prepared trial briefs, exhibits, subpoenas, evidence and motions for trial.

Carlton is currently the editor-in-chief of the *Journal of Transnational Law & Policy*, volume 30, and was executive editor for volume 29. She is a member of the Business Law Society and previously served as internal vice president for the Women's Law Symposium. She is also a student ambassador for the FSU Law Admissions Office and a LexisNexis student associate. If you are interested in connecting with or hiring Carlton after graduation, [visit her LinkedIn profile](#).

*"My time at FSU Law has instilled in me a new confidence and passion for continued growth. I've learned that I'm capable of having many items on my plate and still producing excellent results in all I do. I'm grateful for the numerous opportunities I've had to explore both different areas of the law and different work settings, and I'm eager to use my work ethic and experience to serve others as I begin my legal profession."*

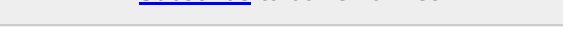
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