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From the Dean

Congratulations to Wayne Logan, our Steven M. Goldstein Professor, on the publication of his latest book (his second of 2022!): ***The Ex Post Facto Clause: Its History and Role in a Punitive Society*** (Oxford University Press 2022). The book provides the first comprehensive examination of the history of the U.S. Constitution's Ex Post Facto Clause and its intended role in tempering the legislative tendency to enact burdensome retroactive laws targeting unpopular individuals. In addition to discussing and critiquing the Supreme Court's extensive ex post facto jurisprudence, the book draws upon framing era history, seminal Supreme Court ex post facto decisions, and the global embrace of the values underlying the Ex Post Facto Clause to offer a blueprint for how it can play a reinvigorated and more robust role in the nation's constitutional order. Wayne is a national expert in criminal law, criminal procedure, and sentencing. In addition to publishing several books, he has published articles in many of the nation's top-ranked law journals, and his scholarship has been cited on two occasions by the U.S. Supreme Court. We are fortunate to have such a dedicated scholar and teacher on our faculty.



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FSU Law Accepting Applications for 2023 Summer Program



2022 Donald J. Weidner Summer for Undergraduates Program students with alumna Judge Nina Ashenafi Richardson ('91) and Associate Dean Nancy L. Benavides

FSU Law is now accepting applications for the 2023 Donald J. Weidner Summer for Undergraduates Program. The award-winning program brings rising sophomores, juniors, and seniors from throughout the country together for a month-long immersion into legal study. The largest and oldest of its kind, the primary goals of the program are to acquaint students with the study of law and to assist them in acquiring skills that will benefit their undergraduate and future law school studies. The program has been twice honored with the American Bar Association's Raymond Pace and Sadie Tanner Mossell Alexander Award for Excellence in Pipeline Diversity. If you know an undergraduate student who may be interested in law school, please encourage them to apply for the 2023 summer program. Program administrators are starting to review applications this month, so now is an ideal time to apply. Interested students can [learn more and find the program application on our website](#).

Alum Profile: Jordann L. Wilhelm ('17)

Jordann L. Wilhelm is an associate at Radey Law Firm in Tallahassee, where she practices in the areas of labor and employment law, commercial litigation, and corporate and business law. She advises employers regarding all phases of the employment relationship, including hiring, wage and hour, discipline, severance, and termination concerns. Wilhelm also advises employers regarding day-to-day concerns, including COVID-19 regulations, employee manuals, policies, and procedures. She represents public and private sector employers in all forms of employment-related litigation, including breach of non-competition agreements, trade secret concerns, Fair Labor Standards Act litigation, and the defense of race, disability, gender discrimination, sexual harassment, and retaliation claims. Wilhelm's commercial litigation practice involves a variety of disputes in the areas of contract law, business torts, and trade secret litigation. She is engaged in several professional and community organizations, which includes serving on the board of Tallahassee Women Lawyers and as a fellow of The Florida Bar Leadership Academy. Wilhelm also remains engaged with FSU Law, and she currently teaches Florida Motion Practice as an adjunct professor.



“The support and opportunities available at FSU College of Law and in Tallahassee are unmatched. It is such an exciting time to return to my alma mater to provide the same support and opportunities to a new generation of law students. I am incredibly grateful for my continued experiences at FSU in shaping my path both personally and professionally.”

Student Profile: 3L Alan Gonzalez

Desired Practice Location: Tallahassee, Jacksonville, Orlando, or Tampa

Expected Graduation: May 2023

Field of Law Sought: Business law, construction law, administrative law, or corporate law

Alan Gonzalez, from Fort Myers, Florida, completed a Bachelor of Arts in History at the University of Central Florida and will graduate from FSU Law in May. Gonzalez has worked as a law clerk since May 2022 with Ausley McMullen, where his responsibilities include researching and summarizing case law on topics relating to tax law, business law, probate, construction law, and administrative law, as well as preparing drafts of briefs and memoranda, and observing court proceedings. During the spring of his 2L year, Gonzalez was a law clerk at the Florida Department of Financial Services, where he performed legal research on various topics relating to services performed by the department, wrote memoranda on the research, and reviewed contracts. During the fall of his 2L year, Gonzalez was a teaching assistant for a Legal Writing and Research course at the College of Law. His responsibilities included assisting with lesson plan and class exercise development, creating and offering workshops, holding office hours to assist students, and performing legal research relating to course material. In the summer before his 2L year, Gonzalez was a legal extern at Southeast Toyota Distributors LLC, a subsidiary of JM Family Enterprises, Inc. In this role, he drafted and redlined contracts and addenda, performed legal research on various topics relating to Southeast Toyota Distributors operations, and wrote memoranda on research. He also communicated with clients and departments and observed meetings between clients and third-party counsel.



At FSU Law, Gonzalez is an article and notes editor for the *Florida State University Business Review* and an executive editor of the *Journal of Land Use & Environmental Law*. He is also an academic support fellow, a peer elevation program mentor, and a member of the student advisory board for the Raising the Bar Professionalism+ Program. If you are interested in connecting with or hiring Gonzalez after graduation, visit his [LinkedIn profile](#) or email him at ag20fk@fsu.edu.

“As a first-generation citizen and law student, navigating my academic career has been a journey. However, my time at FSU Law has prepared me for my legal career, and I am excited to get started.”

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