From the Dean

Last week, we were delighted to welcome to campus several environmental experts for our Spring 2017 Environmental Forum, “Springs Protection in Florida.” Thank you to Andrew Bartlett, of the Florida Department of Environmental Protection; Janet Bowman, of The Nature Conservancy Florida Chapter; David Childs, of Hopping Green & Sams; and Rebecca O’Hara, of Florida League of Cities, who spoke to a packed room of students and lawyers. If you were not able to attend the CLE event, you can view a recording on our website. The spring forum, which was co-sponsored by The Florida Bar Environmental and Land Use Law Section, is one of many special events hosted by our environmental law program each year.
On March 24, we’ll be hosting energy law scholars from top U.S. law schools and CEOs from municipal utilities and cooperatives around the nation at a CLE conference to address the important role of munis and co-ops as the U.S. transitions to a lower-carbon future. More information about this event – which you can attend in person or via livestream – is available online.

- Dean Erin O’Connor

50-Year Anniversary: Featuring 1980

Pictured above: Professor Larry Krieger teaches students who are preparing for externships.

The FSU Law Externship Program launched in 1980, allowing students to earn academic credit while working off campus. Today, the externship program places students in more than 100 offices throughout Florida and elsewhere – far more options than many law schools. In addition, the deanship search committee was very busy in the spring of 1980, conducting a “careful, thorough, national search” for the new dean of the law school. L. Orin Slagle was appointed the third dean of the FSU College of Law and served in that role until 1984, when he returned to full-time teaching. Previously, he was dean of the Ohio State University Moritz College of Law.

Alum Profile: Carlos R. Diez-Arguelles (’85)

Carlos R. Diez-Arguelles (’85) is a partner and founder of Diez-Arguelles & Tejedor P.A., in Orlando. He focuses his practice on personal injury, wrongful death and medical malpractice litigation. He is a past president of the FSU College of Law Board of Visitors and has made

Pictured above: Rebecca O’Hara, of Florida League of Cities, speaks during the Spring 2017 Environmental Forum.
several gifts to the law school. Most recently, Diez-Arguelles pledged $25,000 to supplement his previous gift of $50,000 to the Alumni Centennial Chair. The chair was established to honor Dean Emeritus Donald J. Weidner for his many years of leadership at the law school. Diez-Arguelles previously gave $150,000 to endow the Carlos R. Diez-Arguelles Endowed Scholarship, which is used to increase academic excellence in the college’s student body by providing scholarship support to exceptional students. In recognition of Diez-Arguelles’ most recent commitment, the law school has named a faculty office the Carlos R. Diez-Arguelles Faculty Office.

Student Profile: 3L Lauren Angulo

Originally from Palm Beach Gardens, 3L Lauren Angulo attended FSU for undergrad, where she earned a dual degree in political science and international affairs. She will graduate from the J.D. program in May with the Business Law Certificate. She is an articles selection editor for the Journal of Transnational Law & Policy and a member of the Journal of Land Use & Environmental Law. She serves as vice president of development for the Transfer Student Organization, for which she began a formal mentor/mentee program to aid transfer students in the transition to FSU Law. Angulo is also a member of the Student Bar Association, Women’s Law Symposium and Phi Alpha Delta. Angulo attended the Oxford Study Abroad Program during the summer of 2016, where she had the opportunity to go to Wimbledon. During her undergraduate studies at FSU, Angulo worked with the Innocence Project, reviewing and critiquing case files to determine whether an inmate could be assisted. She is currently working with the Business Law Clinic, where she is learning client intake skills, legal ethical skills and transactional law skills, such as basic bargaining, drafting and risk assessment. Angulo also currently is externing at the Florida Housing Finance Corporation. She would like to practice in the area of real estate law after graduation and would prefer to live in Tallahassee, Jacksonville, Tampa or South Florida. If you are interested in hiring Angulo for a job after graduation, please visit her LinkedIn profile.
“I don’t believe in just going through the motions, I believe in making an impact and making a difference. Staying passionate and always having new goals to surpass are things I will always strive for.”