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# From the Dean



2019-20 Legislative Interns with Florida House Speaker José Oliva

Congratulations to our nine FSU Law students who are serving in the current class of 12 legislative interns! The Florida House of Representatives Legislative Intern Program is an excellent opportunity for students who are interested in the legislative process to obtain first-hand knowledge of the process and to participate in the work of the legislative branch of state government. Interns are assigned to various House committees, subcommittees and leadership offices. Their assignments include research, bill drafting and analysis, oversight activities and other tasks relating to policy or fiscal areas. The students have been serving since October and their internships will end on March 20.

Pictured front row (L-R) are FSU master's of public administration student Alexandra Webb (Majority Leader's Office), 2L Bailey Cunningham (Health & Human Services Committee), 2L Estefania Fakes (Public Integrity & Ethics Committee) and 2L Abby Salter (Commerce Committee). Pictured back row (L-R) are 3L Aubrey Etheridge (State Affairs Committee), 3L Dana Keller (Ways and Means Committee), FSU master's of applied American politics and policy student Lauren Paul (Majority Leader's Office), 2L Hannah DuShane (Judiciary Committee), Speaker of the House José Oliva, 2L Kassie Satterly (Education Committee), FSU master's in international affairs student Samuel McLane (Office of the Clerk), 2L Matthew Henderson (Democratic Leader's Office) and 2L Christina Castillo (Rules Committee).

Dean Erin O'Connor

## Faculty Profile: Judge Adam S. Tanenbaum

The Honorable Adam S. Tanenbaum is an adjunct professor at FSU Law teaching Legislative Power this spring. Governor Ron DeSantis appointed Judge Tanenbaum to the First District Court of Appeal in October 2019, and he took the oath of office on November 1, 2019. Before his appointment, Judge Tanenbaum served as general counsel for the Florida House of Representatives (2016–2019). In that position, he provided legal advice and counsel to the speaker of the House and to House members and staff regarding matters of legislative interest. He also advised House members and senior staff regarding ethics laws, public records requirements, House rules and



issues requiring constitutional or statutory interpretation. In addition, he had primary responsibility for handling litigation affecting the House. Previously, Judge Tanenbaum served as general counsel for the Florida Department of State (2015–2016) and as chief deputy solicitor general at the Florida Department of Legal Affairs (2014–2015). Judge Tanenbaum also has served as an assistant state and federal public defender and as a complex commercial litigator in a large, statewide law firm. He started his career as a law clerk to the Honorable Stanley Marcus, of the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Florida. As a practitioner, he has first- or second-chaired nine jury trials in state and federal court and has argued cases in the First, Second and Third District Courts of Appeal, in the Florida Supreme Court and in the U.S. Eleventh Circuit Court of Appeals. Judge Tanenbaum holds a bachelor's degree from the University of Florida and a J.D. from Georgetown University.

"I am grateful to Dean O'Connor for the privilege and honor of teaching at FSU Law. The students here are bright, talented and engaging. I enjoy discussing with them the practical aspects of our three branches of government operating within a constitutional framework, all while we sit just down the street from Florida's Capitol, where I used to work."

## Alum Profile: Shannon B. Hartsfield ('95)

Shannon B. Hartsfield is executive partner in the Tallahassee office of Holland & Knight, where she practices in the area of health law and focuses on corporate compliance, particularly in the regulatory and data privacy areas. Hartsfield is certified in health law by The Florida Bar. She represents manufacturers, long-term care companies, tissue banks, drug distributors, hospitals, clinics, health plans and other health-related companies. She advises clients on state and federal matters, including health care compliance programs, internal investigations, the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) and data privacy, cybersecurity, data breaches, cyber liability and reducing risk, consumer protection relating to privacy, patient engagement, informed consent, genetic testing, long-term care, telemedicine, health technology, fraud and abuse, licensure, the Emergency Medical Treatment and Labor Act, electronic medical records and prescription drug wholesaling. She is very active in the American Bar Association (ABA) and is a past chair of the ABA Health Law Section's eHealth, Privacy & Security Interest Group. Hartsfield recently co-authored a book published by the ABA, HIPAA: A Practical Guide to the Privacy and Security of Health Data, which explains and provides updates on HIPAA.

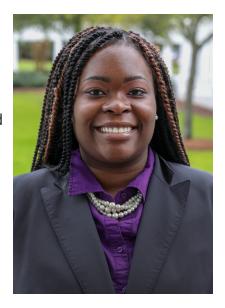


"Writing a book has been a goal of mine for many years, so I was excited about the opportunity to co-author a HIPAA book for the ABA. It was published in January, and I hope it will be a useful resource to the legal profession and the health care industry."

### Student Profile: 3L Julisa Renaud

Desired Practice Location: Tallahassee or Southern Florida Expected Graduation: May 2020 Specialization: Public interest law Field of Law Sought: Interested in environmental justice work, immigration law and working with a government agency

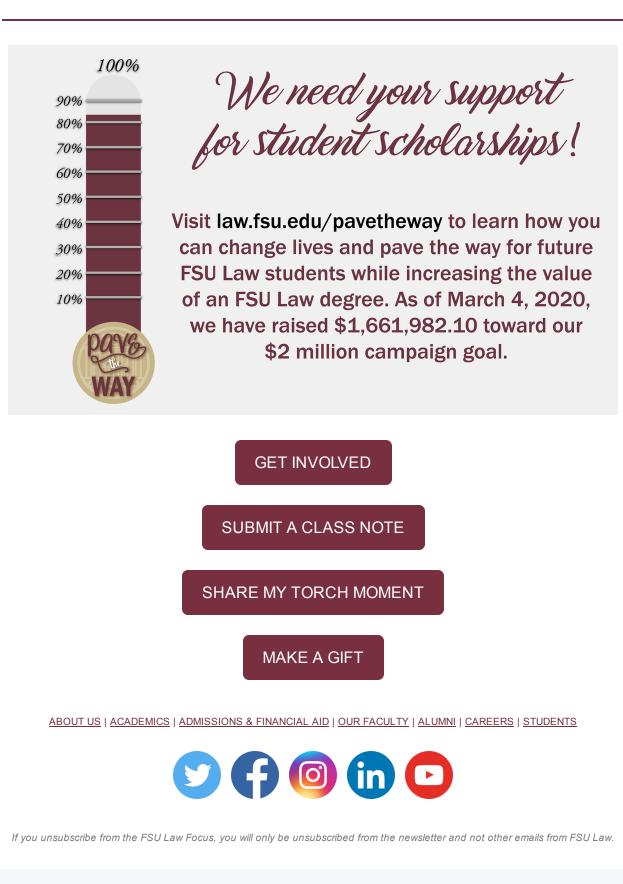
Julisa Renaud is originally from Miami. She holds bachelor's degrees in criminology and political science from the University of South Florida and will graduate from FSU Law in May 2020. Currently, Renaud is clerking for the Office of the State Courts Administrator, where she conducts research for pending and



anticipated litigation involving the state courts system. She also reviews proposed legislation to determine judicial impact and reviews contracts and manuals to ensure compliance with Florida Statutes and Rules of Judicial Administration. Since last August, Renaud has also been working as a certified legal intern with the FSU Public Interest Law Center (PILC) Gender and Family Justice Clinic. She provides assistance and representation to individuals seeking injunctions for protection and conducts educational workshops centered on family law for incarcerated women. Last summer, Renaud clerked at Earthjustice, where she researched environmental law issues in anticipation of litigation and prepared legal memos summarizing statutes, administrative rulings and case law. During the spring of her 2L year, Renaud participated in the PILC Immigration and Farmworker Project. She prepared immigration petitions and represented clients in matters relating to immigration law. During the fall of her 2L year, Renaud externed with the Innocence Project of Florida, where she analyzed prisoner requests, trial transcripts and evidence and then recommended project action on the assigned cases.

During law school, Renaud has been an active member of the Black Law Students Association and served as their financial secretary during the 2018-2019 academic year. She also speaks Haitian-Creole. If you are interested in hiring Renaud after graduation, visit her LinkedIn profile.

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