

## From the Dean



Members of the law school administrative team meet via Zoom, which professors and students will utilize for remote classes.

As many of you know, the university this week announced a move to remote classes for the remainder of the spring 2020 semester in an attempt to reduce the spread of COVID-19. In addition, the university is strongly encouraging remote working for employees who can perform their job duties remotely. Our highest priority remains the health and safety of our students, faculty and staff, and visitors. We have been observing spring break this week and remote classes will begin on Monday, March 23. While the situation is fluid and new developments may change how we move forward, the university currently remains operational. All of our events have been canceled, including graduation, and we are asking that visitors wait to come to campus until after we resume in-person classes. We have closed the Research Center effective at the end of today, and we are prepared to provide nearly full services virtually and electronically. Next week, we also will begin offering daily enrichment sessions led by various law school departments to help keep our student body informed and connected. We have been communicating regularly with students about the university's plans and protocols, but I encourage any student with concerns or questions to reach out to us. For the latest university information, please visit [FSU's official coronavirus webpage](#). Our students can also find official messages from the law school on our Student Advancement Canvas page. Thanks to everyone for their patience and understanding as we work together to sort through a challenging new situation.

- Dean Erin O'Connor

## Spring 2020 Environmental Distinguished Lecture



Environmental Distinguished Lecturer Cary Coglianese

On Wednesday, March 11, the FSU Environmental, Energy & Land Use Law Program welcomed Professor Cary Coglianese as our Spring 2020 Distinguished Lecturer, presenting "The Scapegoating of Environmental Regulation." Coglianese is the Edward B. Shils professor of law and founding director of the Program on Regulation at the University of Pennsylvania.

Coglianese's lecture shed light on the phenomenon of regulatory scapegoating. Coglianese discussed why environmental regulation receives disproportionate rhetorical blame for perceived regulatory excesses despite contrary empirical evidence, and the potential threat that persistent regulatory scapegoating can pose to the rule of law. His lecture was followed by a reception in the Rotunda.

Coglianese specializes in the study of administrative law and regulatory processes. Chair of the Government Service and Public Affairs Initiative at Penn Law, he is also a faculty affiliate of the Fels Institute of Government, the Kleinman Center for Energy Policy and the Wharton Risk Center. He serves as faculty director for Penn Law's executive education program on regulatory analysis and teaches regularly at the Wharton School. He is also a member of the Administrative Conference of the United States. Prior to joining Penn Law, he founded and chaired the Regulatory Policy Program at the John F. Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University. Coglianese teaches administrative law, environmental law, regulatory law and policy, and policy analysis. The lecture was live-streamed and [a recording is available online](#).

## Alum Profile: Kenneth "Kenny" Knox ('11)

[Kenneth Knox](#) is a partner at Thomas | Horstemeyer in Atlanta, where his practice areas include patent and trademark procurement and litigation. Knox assists companies with complex intellectual property issues in all areas, including post-grant procedures before the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO), strategic counseling, prosecution, enforcement and licensing. He has litigated patent and trademark



disputes in U.S. district courts and before the Patent Trial and Appeal Board at the USPTO. Knox is active in the State Bar of Georgia Intellectual Property Section, the American Intellectual Property Law Association and the Intellectual Property Owners Association. Prior to law school, Knox worked as a software engineer.

*"With the rise of globalization, a large portion of my practice increasingly deals with enforcement of intellectual property rights in China and other developing nations. As China strengthens their intellectual property laws and regulations, it now makes sense to obtain intellectual property rights in China and take the fight there to deal with unfair trade practices and counterfeits before they make their way into the United States."*

## Student Profile: 3L Jared Sutherland

**Desired Practice Location:** North Florida  
**Expected Graduation:** May 2020  
**Specialization:** Criminal and business law  
**Field of Law Sought:** Criminal law



Originally from Milton, Florida, Jared Sutherland holds a bachelor's degree in history and a minor in pre-law from the University of West Florida.

When he graduates in May 2020, he will also earn the Business Law Certificate.

Sutherland currently assists defense attorney Ethan Andrew Way ('98) with various state and federal trial issues by providing witness and legal research support. One federal case with which he assisted at trial was *U.S. v. Baxter*, which involved a federal civil rights issue where the client was a high-ranking member of the Florida Department of Corrections. Last fall semester, Sutherland was a research assistant for FSU Law Professor Avlana Eisenberg. He researched issues on criminal law such as alternatives to the current system of imprisonment with an emphasis on rehabilitation and supervised/work release programs. During both his 1L and 2L summers, Sutherland worked for the Office of the State Attorney for the First Judicial Circuit, where he conducted legal research, drafted documents, managed depositions and victim interviews, and aided in the courtroom during many trials and proceedings. During his first summer, Sutherland had the opportunity to work with the office's special prosecutor on multiple white-collar crime cases. The second summer, Sutherland worked as a certified legal intern and handled many different types of misdemeanor criminal cases, representing the state in both routine and substantial hearings. In addition to working for the Office of the State Attorney both summers, Sutherland has completed more than 570 hours of pro-bono prosecution work for the same office.

Sutherland is a member of the Student Bar Association, the Association for Criminal Justice and the Cuban American Bar Association. As a 2L, he received the Book Award in Criminal Procedure. If you are interested in hiring Sutherland after graduation, [visit his LinkedIn profile](#).

*"I am a quick learner, versatile and able to provide practical legal solutions to problems which occur during the progression of criminal and civil cases, both in Florida and federally."*



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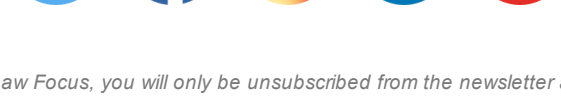
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