SECTION NEWS

CJS Meetings

Southeastern White Collar Crime Institute - In September, the ABA Criminal Justice Section hosted its Fifth Annual Southeastern White Collar Crime Institute in Braselton, Georgia. The Institute provided eight panels covering the following topics: search warrants and taint teams; joint defense agreements after the Yates Memorandum; healthcare enforcement and the False Claims Act; changes in DOJ policy, structure and enforcement priorities; charging decisions and defense strategies; a review of the Supreme Court term; jury trials from a judge’s perspective; and ethical guidance in the corporate boardroom.

London White Collar Crime Institute - The Section held the Seventh Annual London White Collar Crime Institute, October 8-9, 2018.

The panels began with a roundtable discussion with Acting Chief, Fraud Section, U.S. Department of Justice, Sandra Moser and Director, Serious Fraud Office, Lisa Kate Osofsky. They were followed by a panel navigating issues of attorney/client privilege across borders, other panels compared jurisdictions around the world, extradition policies, cryptocurrencies and blockchain. The main keynote address was delivered by Former Deputy Attorney General, U.S. Department of Justice Sally Yates, who addressed the whole conference.

The second day of programming explored a white collar case study involving a multinational organization going through internal investigations of its employees. The case study was designed to generate various issues and complexities, with a focus on problems that arise where multiple and potentially competing, jurisdictions may be interested in the matter.
Fall Institute - The Criminal Justice Section gathered in Washington D.C., November 1-3 for the Eleventh Annual Fall Institute. The conference featured six expert panels addressing plea bargaining, prosecutors as change agents, a review of Guantanamo, re-entry, implicit bias and military justice policies on sexual assault and harassment.

Keynote speakers included Honorable Jed S. Rakoff, discussing plea bargaining and immediate past President of the ABA, Hilarie Bass who shared preliminary findings from "Achieving Long-Term Careers for Women in Law."

The Section recognized the recipients of the 2018 Criminal Justice Section Awards during the annual luncheon, detailed further below.

Video recordings from these events are available on our YouTube Channel.

The Criminal Justice Section Council met on Saturday to discuss proposed criminal justice reform. The following resolutions will go to the House of Delegates at the Midyear meeting for vote.

- The Criminal Justice Section proposes to provide all women prisoners with access to free toilet paper and a range of free feminine hygiene products.
- The Criminal Justice Section proposes urging the amendment of existing laws or enact new laws to clearly define child torture and make child torture a felony offense, regardless of whether a severe physical injury occurs.
- The Criminal Justice Section proposes urging laws allowing individuals to expunge records for certain criminal convictions.
- The Criminal Justice Section proposes opposing the expedited mass criminal prosecution of individuals entering the U.S. without authorization.

SECTION ACTIVITY

Congratulations to the 2018 CJS Award Winners:

Chair Lucian Dervan, Prof. Paolo Annino, Matt Redle, Kevin Curtin, Rosemary Armstrong and Charlotte Cluverius with the Navy Victim's Legal Counsel Program.

Insider Trading

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SOCIAL MEDIA

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Frank Carrington Crime Victim Attorney Award, Navy Victims’ Legal Counsel Program

Charles R. English Award, Matt Redle

Livingston Hall Juvenile Justice Award, Rosemary Armstrong
We have transitioned to the ABA year 2018-2019, with Prof. Lucian E. Dervan as Chair for the Section. Lucian has been busy representing the Section at CJS events and more. In September, Lucian and Hon. Bernice Donald attended the Eleanor Roosevelt Prize for Global Human Rights Advancement Dinner, honoring this year’s recipients: Benjamin B. Ferencz, former Nuremberg War Crimes prosecutor; and Hillary Rodham Clinton, former US Secretary of State.
Lucian also launched two new Task Forces: The Role of Plea Bargaining and Women in Criminal Justice.

The Role of Plea Bargaining Task Force will be chaired by Lucian and Professor Russell Covey of Georgia State University College of Law. Their purpose is to bring various modern actors in the criminal justice system together to consider the current role of plea bargaining in criminal justice.

The Women in Criminal Justice Task Force was created to address the unique concerns and challenges faced by women in the criminal justice community. The Task Force will be chaired by Tina Luongo and Carla Laroche. They hosted the inaugural event at the Fall Institute.

The ABA Criminal Justice Section has been active in other areas as well. The Global Anti-Corruption Committee continues to host a monthly installment of their speaker series: Foreign Corruption Prosecutors - The View from Abroad.

On November 16, the ABA sent a letter to Senators Portman and Leahy in response to the Senate announcement specifically listing ABA support of Second Chance Act reauthorization just issued. The ABA also sent a letter of support for the House version of the bill last year. The most significant change is the addition of new tracking requirements to ensure the government is getting the most of its investment.

Read the full letter here.

**MEMBER NEWS**

**Anne Swern** was elected to the Civil Court, Brooklyn (Kings County) in the midterm elections. The Civil Court of the City of New York has jurisdiction over civil cases involving amounts up to $25,000 and other civil matters referred to it by the Supreme Court. It includes a small claims part for informal dispositions of matters not exceeding $5,000 and a landlord and tenant/housing part for landlord-tenant matters of unlimited amounts and housing code violations.


We honor the life of Professor Ronald C. Smith, former Chair of the Section 2001–2002. Read more about Professor Smith's many contributions to the field of criminal justice and our Section: here.

**CJS IN THE NEWS**

**Facing South Florida: Debating Pros and Cons Of Amendment 6**
CBS Miami - Joining Facing South Florida to discuss the pros and cons of this amendment are Ron Book, who has advocated for laws relating to victim rights, and Melba Pearson, who spent 16 years as a state prosecutor and is now the deputy director for the ACLU of Florida. *(Read More)* Melba Pearson appeared.

**Takeaways from the Conviction of Paul Manafort**
The New York Times - A jury on Tuesday convicted Paul Manafort, President Trump's former campaign chairman, on eight counts of tax and financial fraud. No sentencing date has been set yet. Here's a look at the immediate implications of the verdict for Mr. Manafort and the special counsel's investigation into Russia's interference in the 2016 presidential race. *(Read More)* Ilene Jaroslaw was quoted and also in Bloomberg News.

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