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Campus News

Dean Melanie Leslie Announces Two Faculty Hires at Cardozo Law

Dean Melanie Leslie is pleased to announce that Rebecca Ingber and Ngozi Okidegbe will join the Cardozo faculty for the 2020-21 academic year.

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Atrocity Prevention Clinic Students Win Award for Outstanding Clinical Team

Dean Melanie Leslie made a special visit to the Atrocity Prevention Clinic's final Zoom class to congratulate Nelly Gordpour and Nolan DeBrowner who won the Clinical Legal Education Association's Outstanding Clinical Team Award.

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Professor Michelle Adams Discusses Detroit Students' Lawsuit on NPR

A federal appeals court has ruled that children have a constitutional right to literacy, in response to a lawsuit brought by students of five Detroit schools. Professor Michelle Adams told National Public Radio, "We're not talking about the court having to recognize a broad-based, free-floating, generalized right to education. This will not open the floodgates of litigation. We're talking about a situation where students are being warehoused and required to be in school and yet they literally cannot read."



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Professor Tony Sebok Talks to Financial Times about Coronavirus Lawsuits

Professor Tony Sebok commented in the Financial Times on the expectation of COVID-related lawsuits: "I don't see this as a looming tsunami of liability. There's a big difference between saying hypothetically speaking that a tort claim can be brought and finding a lawyer who will invest their time and energy in a suit."



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Professor Christopher Buccafusco Brings his Knowledge of Wine to Zoom for the Case of the Week.

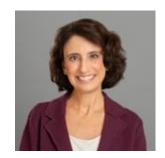
Professor Christopher Buccafusco has been hosting weekly virtual wine tastings during the pandemic and he told the New York Law Journal, "I was looking for an opportunity to stay connected with my students after we turned to distance learning. It turns out I missed them a lot."



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Professor Deborah Pearlstein Talks to USA Today about DPA

President Trump's executive order named meatpacking plants "critical infrastructure," but did not include a specific order for them to remain open. "American federalism significantly limits how much the federal government can do here to compel states to take actions they don't want to take," Professor Deborah Pearlstein told USA Today.



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Professor Richard Weisberg Focuses on Wuhan in NY Daily News Op-ed

Professor Richard Weisberg writes in the NY Daily News, "If China's tendency to secrecy cost it and the world precious time, our leaders' pandering to market-driven selfishness also sacrificed weeks to the virus. Wuhan's leaders seemed to accept economic losses while imposing severe health-conscious restrictions on their citizens."



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Faculty Scholarship and Presentations

 Professor Ngozi Okidegbe will present a paper virtually at The Law and Society Association's Annual Meeting on May 28. Her paper is titled "Discrediting Community Input: Problems with Technocratic Solutions to Algorithmic Discrimination."