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### CLINICS NEWS

#### Two Cardozo Clinics Win Client's Criminal Appeal and Release From Prison; A Third Clinic Fights to Keep Him in Country

"This case represents the first time in Cardozo history that our three criminal-related clinics — the Criminal Appeals Clinic, Immigration Justice Clinic, and the Criminal Defense Clinic — have worked together on behalf of the same client," said Professor Jonathan Oberman, Director of the Criminal Defense Clinic.

### STUDENT NEWS

#### Louis D. Brandeis Award and Order of the Coif 2018

Congratulations to Yael Y. Mandel, the 2018 recipient of the Louis D. Brandeis Award for the highest GPA, and to all the members of the class of 2018 who were elected to the Order of the Coif.

### FACULTY NEWS

#### Professor Shaw on Good Morning America; ABC News: Justice Kennedy's Retirement Could Have Profound Impact; Article Wins American Constitution Society Award

Professor Kate Shaw told *ABC News* that "Kennedy's retirement could have a profound effect on the law, replacing the Court's swing justice ... with a solid conservative." She appeared on *Good Morning America* to discuss the retirement announcement. Her *Texas Law Review* article "Beyond the Bully Pulpit" won the American Constitution Society's Cudahy Award.

#### Professor Zelinsky Comments About SCOTUS Wayfair, Railroad Tax Law Decisions

Professor Ed Zelinsky spoke to *Bloomberg Law* and *Law 360* about the U.S. Supreme Court's decision in *South Dakota v. Wayfair*, which overturned precedent prohibiting states from collecting sales tax on retailers that lacked an in-state physical presence. He commented on the SCOTUS Railroad Retirement Tax Act decision to *Law360*.

### [Professor Pearlstein on the Ongoing Family Separation Crisis and the Courts](#)

Professor Deborah Pearlstein in *Just Security*: "The administration adopted a 'zero tolerance'/no-parole policy without allocating adequate resources to ensure it could do so without violating legal rights (like a child's right to be released in 20 days)."

### [Professor Nash Speaks to The Hill About Separation of Children at the Border](#)

*The Hill* reports on the Trump Administration's decision to let immigrant parents choose family detention or separation; Professor Lindsay Nash says "when somebody is detained it depends a lot on the court."

### [Professor Rona Comments in The Atlantic on U.S. Decision to Leave UN Human Rights Council](#)

The withdrawal "not only signals that the U.S. is now putting concern for human rights on a back burner, but it also signals to other countries that the U.S.'s leadership on human rights is gone," Professor Gabor Rona said.

### [Professor Sebok's Op-Ed in Bloomberg Law: Procedural, Substantive Concerns About the Litigation Funding Transparency Act of 2018](#)

Professor Anthony Sebok says he is concerned about proposed legislation regulating litigation funding, which would mandate disclosure of all outside funding in class and multidistrict litigation in federal courts.

### [Professor Wright's Book "Blockchain and the Law" Excerpted on Slate](#)

*Slate* published an excerpt from Professor Aaron Wright's book *Blockchain and the Law*, which focuses on the advances of blockchain technology and its impact on our society.

### [Professor Rosenfeld Chairs World Congress; Speaks to Belgian National Radio](#)

Professor Michel Rosenfeld was an important participant at the 10th World Congress of the International Association of Constitutional Law (IACL). He was interviewed on *Belgian National Radio* on the Trump Administration's recent policy decisions.

### [Professor Getgen Kestenbaum's Article on Anti-Blasphemy Laws Detailed in The American Spectator](#)

Professor Jocelyn Getgen Kestenbaum's report "Respecting Rights? Measuring the World's Blasphemy Laws" is cited in the article.

### [Professor Stone's Recent News and Presentations](#)

Professor Martin Stone has presented recently at Purdue University, the University of Chicago and at the North American Kant Society.

### [Adjunct Professor Michael Wildes Appears on CNN to Discuss Separation of Children at the Border](#)

"I do believe that the execution of our immigration laws and the broken system we have is ill conceived," he said.

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