LOUIS F. BARTELT, JR. PROFESSIONALISM SERIES

— Spring 2016 —

The Louis F. Bartelt, Jr., Professionalism Series is designed to communicate the values and ideals of the legal profession to students as well as equip them with the skills and attitudes that will be expected of them upon graduation. Although the programs are open to everyone, all J.D. students are required to attend at least one program in the Professionalism Series each semester they are enrolled.

Slam the Exam: Passing the Bar Exam the First Time

Monday, January 11 / 5:00 p.m. VULS Alumni Presented by ASP Tabor

Martin Luther King, Jr. Lecture

Thursday, January 14 / 4:00 p.m. Wanda Akin & Raymond Brown – International Justice Project Benson

Diversity and Inclusion Forum

Thursday, January 21 / 5:00 p.m. Facilitators: Valparaiso University Professors Liz Wuerffel, Allison Schuette, and Heath Carter Presented by the Diversity & Inclusion Committee Wesemann Café

Legal Rebel

Thursday, January 28 / 3:30 p.m. Mark Roscoe, Emmy-award winning designer and attorney, David Kwait, Vice President, Staff Attorney, Wealth Management at Peoples Bank Presented by CPC Ulbricht

Applying for the Indiana Bar: Q & A with the Board of Law Examiners

Friday, January 29 / 2:30 p.m.
Bradley Skolnick & Tina Hopson, Indiana Board of
Law Examiners
Presented by ASP
Ulbricht

Professionalism in Communications

Thursday, February 11 / 3:30 p.m. Dr. Marlane Steinwart Ulbricht

Justice Robert D. Rucker Lecture: With Justice for All in a Changing America

Thursday, March 17 / 4:00 p.m. Morris Dees, Founder / Chief Trial Attorney, Southern Poverty Law Center Wesemann

Law Practice Management / What You Need to Know as a New Lawyer

Thursday, March 31 / 3:30 p.m. Candace Armstrong / Heidi Keenan Presented by CPC Ulbricht

Tabor Lecture: Evolving Standards of Decency that Mark the Progress of a Maturing Society: Evolving Views from the Bench and the Future of the American Death Penalty

Thursday, April 21 / 4:00 p.m. Jordan Steiker, Judge Robert M. Parker Endowed Chair in Law, The University of Texas at Austin School of Law; Carole Steiker, Henry J. Friendly Professor of Law, Harvard Law School



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The Professionalism Series is named for Louis F. Bartelt, Jr., who was associated with the Law School for over forty years as a graduate, faculty member, and dean. Dean Bartelt was a model of dignity and integrity to generations of law students and had the highest expectations of them, both inside and outside the classroom.

All J.D. students at Valparaiso University Law School are subject to a professionalism education requirement, similar to the continuing legal education requirements they will encounter in practice. The purpose of this requirement is to build upon classroom efforts to communicate the values and ideals of the legal profession to students during the formation of their professional identities.

The Office of Student Services has established the Professionalism Series of programs, which are designed to reinforce the values and ideals of the legal profession taught in the classroom. General topics for these programs will include, but not be limited to: legal ethics, professional judgment, the practice of law, wellness, substance abuse, diversity, communication skills, and networking.

To meet the professionalism education requirement, both full and part-time students must attend at least one (1) program of their choice from the Professionalism Series each semester they are enrolled at the School of Law until they have attended six (6) Professionalism Series events. Students in the accelerated J.D. program must attend two (2) Professionalism Series events during their last semester in order to satisfy this requirement. Part-time students are only required to attend Professionalism Series events during the first six (6) semesters they are enrolled, though they are encouraged to continue attending these events until graduating.

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