Save the Date!

Mark your calendars now for the Texas Law Alumni Association's
2023 ALUMNI WEEKEND

Friday, April 14 – ALUMNI AWARDS DINNER
Saturday, April 15 – TEXAS LAW ALUMNI REUNION

Learn More About Alumni Weekend

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LAW SCHOOL NEWS

At Domestic Violence Clinic, Team Effort Results in Much-Needed Relief for Client
Two students, one from the law school and one from the social work school, joined forces to obtain a hard-to-secure lifetime protective order.

Driver to Return as Distinguished Visiting Professor in 2023
Justin Driver, a member of the Texas Law faculty from 2009 to 2014, will return to Townes Hall next semester, during which time he will teach, meet with students in small groups, and participate in faculty colloquia.

Faculty and Alumni Elected to Philosophical Society
Five members of the Texas Law community, including Dean Bobby Chesney, have been selected to be members of the prestigious Philosophical Society of Texas.

FACULTY IN THE NEWS

Pictured (from left): Jeffrey Abramson, Jennifer Laurin, Elizabeth Sepper, and Steven Vladek.
Texas Law faculty are frequently sought out by local and national media to share their legal expertise on a multitude of current topics.

In the past month, comments from the following faculty have been featured in published news stories: Jeffrey Abramson, Randall Erben, Tara Leigh Grove, Jennifer Laurin, Sanford Levinson, Elizabeth Sepper, Michael Schmitt, and Stephen Vladeck.
ALUMNI EVENTS

TEXAS LAW ON TOUR
Jan. 25 – El Paso, TX
Feb. 23 – Atlanta, GA
March 1 – Los Angeles, CA
March 2 – Bay Area, CA
May 17 – Austin, TX

Save the Date for our stop in
London: June 7

Jan. 11 – Mentoring Program Kickoff Reception

CLASS NOTES

Ordered by class year, then by last name.

Pictured (top, from left): Stefani Shanberg '98, Ron Elrichman '98, Ronnie Dabbasi '07, Stephen Yeh '13; and (bottom, from left) David Peavler '92, Ha-Vi Nguyen '13, Matt Allen '04, Rachel Bergstrom Morgan '99.

David Peavler '92 joined Jones Day as a partner in its Securities Litigation & SEC Enforcement practice.

Ron Erlichman '98 joined Linklaters LLP as a partner in the energy and infrastructure team.

Stefani Shanberg '98 joined Perkins Coie's national patent litigation practice as a partner.

Rachel Bergstrom Morgan '99 was named executive vice president and general counsel of Nexstar Media Group, Inc.

Jeff Matthews '03 was elected as the new chairman and CEO of Winthrop P.C., where he specializes in real estate litigation.

Matt Allen '04 joined the Southern District of Mississippi as a assistant United States attorney in the Criminal Division.

Jeremy Hopson '04 was appointed as office managing shareholder at Livingston.

Renee Dabhol '07 joined Holland & Knight as a partner in the firm’s transactional and regulatory team.

Garner Pate '07 was named as Texas Governor Greg Abbott’s chief of staff.

He-Ming Yang '05 was elected to serve on the Dallas Association of Young Lawyers (DAYL) Board of Directors.

IN MEMORIAM

Ordered by class year, then by last name.

William N. Hamilton '49
Robert Malinak '61
Guy Matthews '64
Cecil R. Morrow '65
Ramon Rackley '65
Embree Bedsole '66
Vernon "Skipper" Lay '66
David Walter Nelson '69

Kermit W. Fox, Jr. '70
Leland L.G. "Skip" Smith '71
Solomon "Sol" Casseb III '73
Hon. Herb Ritchie '74
John C. Boston '75
Steven D. Arnold '80
Darryll Grubbs '85

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