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Alumni in the News



[Alumni share transactional law insights with students](#)

Alumni Ian Armstrong, (J.D. '15), Megan Neel (J.D. '16), and Adri Langemeier (J.D. '21) spoke at a Transaction Lunch & Learn hosted by the UHLC Career Development Office this fall. Students learned about the different areas an attorney can work in a transactional law practice and networked with Houston-area attorneys. If you are interested in participating in an upcoming career development event, please email the Career Development Office at lawcareer@uh.edu.



[Alamdar Hamdani '99 to serve on AG Advisory Committee](#)

Attorney General Merrick Garland appointed UHLC alumnus and U.S. Attorney Alamdar Hamdani (J.D. '99) to the Attorney General's Advisory Committee of U.S. Attorneys. Hamdani expressed gratitude and eagerness to collaborate with fellow members, providing counsel to the Department of Justice leadership.



[Two UHLC alumni named counsel at Weil in New York](#)

University of Houston Law Center alumni are making strides at Weil, Gotshal & Manges LLP in New York. Barrett Schitka (J.D. '15) and Iliana Karaoglan (J.D. '14) were promoted to counsel. Both alumni highlight the importance of seizing learning and networking opportunities gained during their time at UHLC.

[Read more about Schitka.](#)

[Read more about Karaoglan.](#)

Faculty in the News



[Tracy Hester emphasizes ethical role of lawyers in climate change during UN Conference](#)

University of Houston Law Center instructional associate professor Tracy Hester attended the United Nations Bonn Climate Change Conference as one of two representatives of the American Bar Association in Germany.



[Bret Wells files amicus brief in SCOTUS tax case testing the 16th Amendment](#)

University of Houston Law Center Professor Bret Wells filed an amicus curiae brief in Moore v. United States, Docket No. 22-800. The case questions whether the 16th Amendment permits Congress to tax unrealized income without state apportionment, addressing economic income taxation without actual sale or exchange events.



[Gina Warren comments on the impact of the climate crisis on women](#)

Gina S. Warren, co-director of the Environment, Energy & Natural Resources Center at UHLC, emphasized in an interview with The Feisty News For Women that the climate crisis disproportionately affects the most vulnerable in society, particularly women. It hinders their access to essential health services like pre- and post-natal care and reproductive services.



[Nikolas Guggenberger emphasizes how monopolies can harm online content moderation](#)

University of Houston Law Center Professor Nikolas Guggenberger delves into the intricate connection between industrial organization and online content moderation in his paper, "Moderating Monopolies." Highlighting the dominance of a handful of corporations in key online platforms, the study unveils how their market power underpins dysfunction in the digital public sphere.

More News



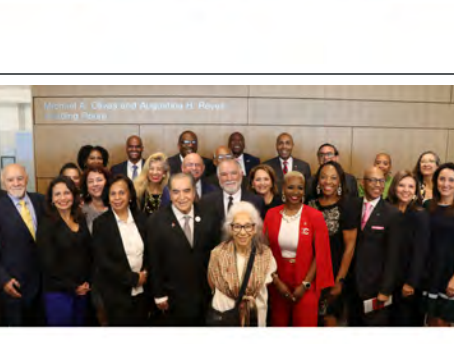
[UHLC secures eighth consecutive Higher Education Excellence in Diversity \(HEED\) Award](#)

The University of Houston Law Center received the Higher Education Excellence in Diversity (HEED) Award from INSIGHT Into Diversity for the eighth consecutive year. The annual HEED award is given to colleges and universities that demonstrate an outstanding commitment to diversity and inclusion.



[UH Law Center fosters global connections with consulate reception](#)

The University of Houston Law Center's Global and Graduate Programs hosted a diplomatic reception with representatives from various consulates, including Angola, Bahamas, Bangladesh, Italy, Mexico, and more. UHLC alumnus Lynden B. Rose, class of '89, participated in the event as Honorary Consul of the Bahamas and Vice-Dean of the Consular Corps of Houston.



[UH Law Center's new installations celebrate legal legacies](#)

The University of Houston Law Center debuted three new installations celebrating the significant achievements of its African American and Hispanic law graduates and faculty. The Michael A. Olivas and Augustina H. Reyes portrait, the Royce and Carol West African American Law Heritage Wall of Honor, and the Ezequiel Reyna Jr. and Livia Reyna Hispanic Law Heritage Wall of Honor were unveiled during a ceremony with the honorees and their friends and family at the John M. O'Quinn Law Building.

Events



[Fireside Chat with U.S. Attorney Alamdar Hamdani '99](#)

Southern District of Texas

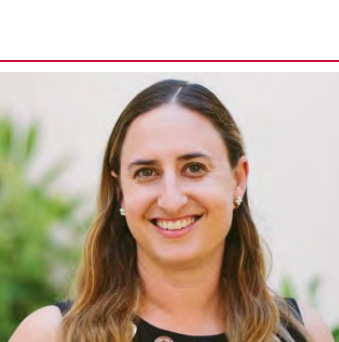
Thursday, November 2, 2023
12:00PM – 12:50PM Central

In Person

.75 hours of Texas MCLE

Co-Sponsors: Asian Pacific American Law Students Association & Asian American Law Alumni Steering Committee

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[Institute for Intellectual Property & Information Law Fall Lecture](#)

Sponsored by HIPLA

Guest Speaker
Victoria L. Schwartz
Professor of Law, Pepperdine University Caruso School of Law

Thursday, November 2, 2023
5:30PM Lecture
6:15PM Reception

One Hour of CLE Credit

The Houston Club
910 Louisiana, Suite 4900 – Houston

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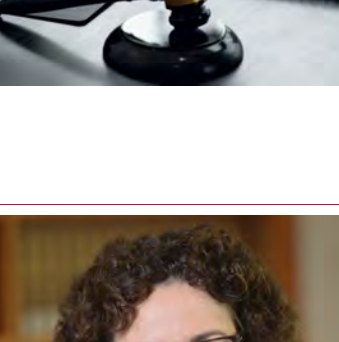
[Domestic Violence: Training Lawyers and Judges Through a Trauma-Informed Lens](#)

Friday, November 3, 2023
9:00AM – 1:00PM Central

Virtual

Approved for 4 hours of Texas MCLE, of which .50 is ethics

[RSVP](#)



[28th Annual Frankel Lecture](#)

The Perennial Eclipse: Race, Immigration, and How Latinx Count in American Politics

Keynote Speaker
Rachel F. Moran
Professor, Texas A&M University School of Law

Friday, November 17, 2023
11:00AM – 1:00PM Central

In Person or Virtual

2 hours of Texas MCLE

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[Annual Holiday Coffee](#)

Saturday, December 2, 2023
10:30AM - 1:30PM Central

In Person

[Save the Date](#)



[6th Annual University of Houston Law Center Denney L. Wright International Energy Tax Conference and The Houston Business and Tax Law Journal's 24th Annual Symposium](#)

Lessons Learned from International Energy Investments

Friday, March 22, 2024
9:00AM – 6:30PM

In-Person

CLE Pending

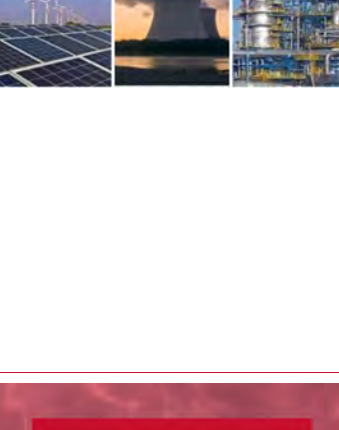
[Save the Date](#)



[47th Annual Law Gala & Auction](#)

Saturday, April 6, 2024
The Post Oak Hotel at Uptown Houston
1600 West Loop South
Houston, TX 77027

[Save the Date](#)



[8th Annual North American Environment, Energy, and Natural Resources Conference](#)

Thursday, April 18, 2024
1:00PM – 5:00PM

In Person

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