

From the Dean



(L-R) New FSU Law faculty members Swan, Laroche, Scott and Morley.

We are delighted to welcome several new faculty members to Florida State Law this year. Michael T. Morley and Sarah L. Swan have joined us as assistant professors, and Carla Laroche and Darby Kerrigan Scott are new clinical professors. Morley teaches and writes in the areas of election law, constitutional law, remedies and the federal courts. He is teaching Election Law this semester. Swan teaches in the areas of torts, criminal law, family law and local government law. Her scholarship focuses primarily on third-party responsibility and its rise as a dominant mode for the redress and prevention of harms. She is currently teaching Contemporary Topics in Tort Law. Laroche directs and teaches in the Gender and Family Justice Clinic within our Public Interest Law Center. The clinic refocuses our clinical offerings in the area of family law. Students will represent individuals who are or were incarcerated in primarily family law matters. Laroche is also teaching Gender Justice this semester. Scott directs the Immigration and Farmworker Project within the Public Interest Law Center. Through the project, students will assist immigrants and agricultural workers who face employment barriers, such as undocumented status, lack of housing and lack of healthcare. We are featuring each of our new professors in the Faculty Profile section of this newsletter during the month of September, beginning with [Swan last week](#). Please read the articles to learn more and join me in welcoming them to FSU Law!

- Dean Erin O'Connor

Faculty Profile: Michael T. Morley

Assistant Professor [Michael T. Morley](#) joined the College of Law this summer. He teaches and writes in the areas of election law, remedies, constitutional law and the federal courts. He has published in many top law journals, including the *Boston College Law Review*, *Boston University Law Review*, *Emory Law Journal*, *William & Mary Law Review* and *Fordham Law Review*, and his articles on nationwide injunctions and the elections clause have been cited in Supreme Court opinions. He previously taught at Harvard Law School as a Climenko fellow and lecturer on law. Prior to entering academia, he served as special assistant to the general counsel of the army in the Pentagon and clerked for Judge Gerald B. Tjoflat, of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit. Morley also worked as an associate at Williams & Connolly LLP and in the Supreme Court & Appellate group at Winston & Strawn, LLP, both in Washington, D.C. He was counsel of record for Shaun McCutcheon in the U.S. Supreme Court in the landmark First Amendment case *McCutcheon v. FEC*. Morley holds a bachelor's degree in bioethics and public policy from Princeton University's Woodrow Wilson School of Public & International Affairs and a J.D. from Yale Law School, where he was senior editor of the *Yale Law Journal*.



"I am thrilled to have the opportunity to teach Election Law at Florida State University. As a perennial swing state, Florida is at the heart of many critical election disputes, and our students can witness firsthand and potentially even participate in the cases that will become important precedents concerning the right to vote. Only blocks from the Florida Supreme Court and federal district court, FSU is truly one of the best places in the nation to study, teach and directly experience election law."

Alum Profile: S. Curtis Kiser ('70)

S. Curtis Kiser is a commissioner on the Public Employee Relations Commission. He previously served as general counsel of the Florida Public Service Commission for five years, and as a partner at Holland and Knight for 14 years. Kiser was a member of the Florida House of Representatives from 1972-1982, serving as Republican minority leader from 1978-1982. He then served in the Florida Senate from 1984-1994. He was the first FSU Law graduate to be elected to the Florida Legislature, and the first alumnus to be elected to both the House and the Senate. Throughout his career, Kiser has worked to protect the environment and to improve the condition of the Everglades. He earned numerous awards for his environmental advocacy and currently serves on the board of the Florida Wildlife Federation. Kiser played a strong role in the reform of Chapter 120, Administrative Procedures Act in 1974, and since then he has been active in administrative reform. In 2018, The Florida Bar established the S. Curtis Kiser Administrative Lawyer of the Year Award in Kiser's honor. He was chairman of the LeRoy Collins Institute for 10 years and has been instrumental in historic preservation efforts, especially those related to the Old Capitol.



"Getting my law degree from FSU was one of my most satisfying accomplishments, even better than getting elected to Legislature. The degree helped me in so many ways to help people, whether in my law practice or in my political endeavors, and certainly in my public service!"

Student Profile: 3L Chandler McCoy

Desired Practice Location: Greater New Orleans area
Expected Graduation: May 2019
Field of Law Sought: Business law, family law or labor and employment law



Originally from New Orleans, Chandler McCoy earned a bachelor's degree in political science with a minor in psychology from the University of Southern Mississippi. This summer, McCoy clerked at Talley, Anthony, Hughes & Knight, L.L.C. in Mandeville, La., where she researched, drafted legal documents and created a comprehensive employment law presentation for shareholders to present at a regional conference. During the spring semester of her 2L year, McCoy interned with the College of Law's Veterans Legal Clinic. She represented veterans in court proceedings, researched and drafted legal documents, including complaints, motions, petitions and discovery requests pertaining to many areas of law. McCoy spent the summer after her 1L year clerking at Cossé Law Firm in New Orleans, where she drafted legal documents and shadowed shareholders and associates in hearings, client meetings and mediations. In these positions, McCoy has gained valuable experience in corporate law, contract disputes, labor and employment law, and personal injury law. While in undergrad, McCoy spent a semester interning in Washington D.C. for Iowa U.S. Congressman Steve King. She supported the legislative staff with research on bills and amendments, and communicated with constituents. She is a student ambassador for the FSU Law Administration Office and is a member of the Women's Law Symposium and Animal Legal Defense Fund, for which she previously served as fundraising coordinator. If you are interested in hiring McCoy, [visit her LinkedIn profile](#).

"As a student at FSU Law, I have learned the skills necessary to become a successful lawyer and gained invaluable hands-on experience. FSU Law prepares students to be civic-minded attorneys engaged in our community and I am so thankful for my time here. Choosing to attend FSU Law is the best decision I could have made!"

The Florida State University College of Law and Upchurch Watson White & Max present:

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@ THE FSU COLLEGE OF LAW

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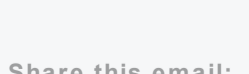
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