

## From the Dean



Live music at our Student Give Back Campaign student appreciation event was provided by Mighty Mongo, featuring FSU Law 2Ls Alex and Lindsay Card.

Earlier in the spring semester, we held our annual Student Give Back Campaign and our students made us proud with an 86.67% giving rate! Students participated in this year's "Go for the Gold, Give for the Goal Student Give Back Campaign" by donating their time or money to benefit FSU Law. They contributed almost \$3,000 and more than 300 hours of community service! We are all so grateful for their support. Thank you also to the record 45 faculty members who issued challenge gifts to inspire giving! To show our appreciation, we held an event earlier this month featuring food trucks, yard games and an entertaining live band whose members include two current law students. It was a fun way to thank our students while also giving them a break before finals.

- Dean Erin O'Connor

## Faculty Profile: David L. Markell

David Markell, the Steven M. Goldstein Professor of Law, teaches and writes in the areas of administrative law and environmental law. He has published six books and more than 50 articles and book chapters on topics including climate change, compliance and enforcement, and North American environmental law and policy. One of his books received the annual ABA Section of Administrative Law and Regulatory Practice Award for Scholarship and was cited as "the most outstanding work of legal scholarship in the field." His articles have been selected by peers as among the best law review articles in the field of environmental law four times since 2000. Over the course of his career, Markell has served as the David Sive Visiting Scholar at Columbia Law School, and as a visiting professor at the University of Virginia School of Law, Lewis & Clark College of Law, Melbourne Law School (Australia), and IDC Herzliya Radzyner Law School (Israel). Markell's extensive government experience includes service with the NAFTA Environmental Commission, the United States Department of Justice's Environmental Enforcement Section, U.S. EPA Region 1, and the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (as acting deputy commissioner of the Office of Environmental Remediation and as director of the Division of Environmental Enforcement). He also has served as a member of the U.S. EPA National Advisory Committee, as an external advisor to the Government of Canada's Office of the Auditor General, and as a mediator and expert witness. Markell currently serves as the College of Law's Associate Dean for Research. He previously served as Associate Dean for Academic Affairs (2007-2008), and as Associate Dean for Environmental Programs (2012-2015). He is a recipient of Florida State's University Graduate Teaching Award (2016-2017). Markell joined the Florida State faculty in 2002. He holds a B.A. in politics from Brandeis University and a J.D. from the University of Virginia College of Law.



*"It has been a real privilege to work with so many wonderful Florida State University College of Law students," said Markell, summing up his 16 years at FSU Law. "I've also enjoyed working with, and learning from, my terrific faculty colleagues."*

## Alum Profile: Warren L. Franz ('75)

Warren L. Franz retired in 2014 after 20 years at Texas Instruments, where he served as deputy general patent counsel/international patent manager. He now lives in San Antonio, Texas, and was recently recognized for his pro bono efforts by the San Antonio Bar Association (SABA). Franz serves as a mentor for the Veterans Law Clinic of SABA's Community Justice Program and also provides pro bono representation to indigent clients on family law, probate and immigration matters. He is also an adjunct professor at Richland College, where he teaches international and general business law courses, and has taught numerous intellectual property law continuing legal education programs. Before joining Texas Instruments, Franz was general counsel and patent counsel for the Drilling & Production Services Division of Schlumberger Ltd. in Houston and a patent attorney at Siemens AG in White Plains, New York. His previous experience includes practicing patent and intellectual property law at private firms in Florida, New York and Pennsylvania.



*"I have always viewed a lawyer as being a member of a 'helping' profession – protecting rights and remedying injustices for others. As lawyers, we have a responsibility to apply our skills not only in our everyday practice, but also on behalf of those who for lack of money or other impediment would otherwise be excluded from the judicial system."*

## Student Profile: 3L Laura Frawley

**Desired Practice Location:** Prefers Florida, but open to anywhere  
**Graduation Date:** May 2018

**Specialization:** Entertainment law

**Field of Law Sought:** Entertainment law, intellectual property law, contract law and transactional law

Originally from Orlando, Laura Frawley graduated *summa cum laude* from FSU with a bachelor's degree in political science and a minor in communications. She will graduate with her J.D. from FSU Law in May. Frawley is the current president and former treasurer of the Entertainment, Arts and Sports Law Society.

She is also the vice president of the Intellectual Property Law Society and a student ambassador for the FSU Law Admissions Office. For the last two summers, Frawley interned at Universal Creative, the research and development group responsible for designing the rides and attractions at Universal's theme parks around the world. Frawley worked as part of the contracts team assigned to the Universal Beijing Resort project, where she drafted contract boilerplates and amendments, assisted with requests for proposals and worked on master agreement negotiations. Last November, Frawley was one of five law students from around the country selected to receive a scholarship to attend the North American Law Summit on Entertainment, Sports and Intellectual Property Law in Montego Bay, Jamaica. The summit brought together legal professionals, business executives and law students for four days of in-depth learning and networking. Frawley also received the book award for Media and the Law. If you are interested in hiring Frawley after graduation, [visit her LinkedIn profile](#).



*"My time at FSU Law has allowed me to discover an area of the law that I am truly passionate about and experience it firsthand. Through my courses, work experience and opportunities outside of the classroom, I've been able to develop a unique skill set that will be valuable in my legal career."*

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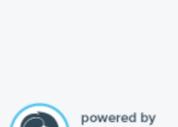
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