

## **Society of American Law Teachers—SALT**

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### **SALT Responds to Maryland Legislature's Threat to Withhold Funds from UM Law School Environmental Clinic**

In a letter, dated March 31, 2010, SALT opposed pending bills before the Maryland House (HB 150) and Senate (SB 140) that condition the release of funds to the University of Maryland School of Law's Environmental Law Clinic on disclosure of client and other confidential information.

Initially the House introduced legislation, HB 150, that threatened to withhold funding from all of the Law School's clinics pending receipt of a long list of information. Then in a compromise, the House restricted the scope of its budget amendment as the Senate did to the Environmental Clinic.

[Read SALT's letter.](#)

For background information about the clinic controversy, see the following news reports and editorials:

- March 25, 2010, [The Baltimore Sun, Second Opinion](#)
- March 26, 2010, [Washington Post, Maryland News](#)

In addition to the letter sent to the University of Maryland Chancellor and Chair of the Board of Regents, SALT helped collect names on a letter of protest that was emailed on March 31<sup>st</sup> to members of the Maryland House and Senate.

## **Announcement of the Dorsen/Filler Fellowship—Deadline for Application—June 15**

***Is there a favorite graduate with experience in grantwriting?*** SALT is pleased to announce the Norman Dorsen/Stuart & Ellen Filler Fellowship, a one academic-year (9-month) fellowship focused on issues in legal education and not-for-profit development to begin in August 2010. The Dorsen/Filler Fellowship seeks a talented, committed, and visionary law school graduate interested in a career in legal education or in development work in a not-for-profit institution. ***The Fellow will be located in the SALT national office on Long Island, NY.***

**[Download the Fellowship Announcement.](#) *Feel free to call Hazel Weiser with any questions.***

### **SALT at Work**

The new SALT LAW.org website features the work of SALT committees under the left-hand menu “SALT at Work.”

Just added is the [New Teachers’ Pipeline Committee](#) with a library of resources for those considering a career in legal academia. These materials were distributed to participants at the March 21<sup>st</sup> Breaking In workshop held at Golden Gate University School of Law. We are interested in growing this library, so send any suggestions to [Ruben Garcia](#) or [Angela Harris](#), co-chairs of the New Teachers’ Pipeline Committee.

You can find SALT statements and comments under the appropriate committee heading.

### **Calls for Proposals**

- ***April 26 Deadline for Submitting Proposals: Lat Crit XV: THE COLOR OF THE ECONOMIC CRISIS: EXPLORING THE DOWNTURN FROM THE BOTTOM UP***, University of Denver Sturm College of Law, Denver, CO LatCrit/SALT Junior Faculty Development Workshop- October 7-8, LatCrit Conference, October 8-10, 2010 [Click here for the full call for proposals.](#)

### **Calendar**

- **April 15-16:** Vermont Law School and University of Vermont: [The Law and Politics of Marriage Equality: Vermont, the Nation, and the World](#)
- **April 16:** [Deconstructing the Ballot Initiative: The Role for Citizens and Scholars](#), Denver University, Sturm College of Law, Denver, CO
- **April 16:** [Women and the Law Stories Conference](#), Santa Clara University School of Law, Santa Clara, CA
- **April 20:** [Annual Constance Baker Motley Tribute](#), New York City, NY

### **Membership—Please Join Today!**

SALT is an important voice in the comprehensive review of Standards and Interpretations for Approval of Law Schools, and we added to the discourse surrounding the Maryland legislature's threat to impound funding for the University of Maryland School of Law Environmental Law Clinic. Add your voice to make SALT as visible as possible, and consequently, as influential.

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