

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

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May 17, 2010

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### **SALT Urges Senator Carl Levin to Schedule Vote on DADT**

Last week SALT sent a follow-up letter to Senator Carl Levin, Chair of the Senate Armed Services Committee, after an earlier letter was sent to Speaker of the House Nancy Pelosi:

“The Society of American Law Teachers – SALT - is writing to thank you for your continued leadership on the repeal of Don't Ask Don't Tell. We applaud your decision to become a lead sponsor on the Military Readiness Enhancement Act (S. 3065) as well as your efforts to make this a high priority issue in the Senate. Through your efforts and leadership, you are speaking for the thousands of men and women in uniform who are unable to speak for themselves.”

“We are also writing to urge you to amend the Department of Defense Fiscal Year 2011 Authorization Request bill currently before your Committee to include language repealing Don't Ask Don't Tell.” [Read more...](#)

### **Louisiana Legislature Postpones Hearings on SB 549 Which Threatens Integrity of Law School Clinics**

With opposition mounting and protests sent by SALT, AALS, and ABA president Carolyn Lamm, the Louisiana Senate Commerce Committee postponed a scheduled

hearing on SB 249, which would limit the jurisdiction of all four Louisiana law school clinics, severely hampering their efficacy and the availability of legal remedies to the state's most vulnerable. [Read the letters sent by SALT, AALS, and ABA...](#)

### **Memorial Service for Professor Rhonda Copelon on Friday, May 21 at Riverside Chapel, NYC**

CUNY law professor, vice president of the Center for Constitutional Rights, and 2009 SALT M. Shanara Gilbert Human Rights Awardee, Professor Rhonda Copelon will be remembered on Friday, May 21 at 11:00 at Riverside Chapel, 76<sup>th</sup> Street & Amsterdam Avenue. To read selected obituaries from CUNY Law School, Center for Constitutional Rights, and the New York Times, [click here](#).

### **SALT Members Comment on the News—[Read the New SALTLAW.org Blog](#)**

- Marjorie Cohn on Elena Kagan's nomination, [May 14 Huffingtonpost.com](#)
- [Watch Michael Avery on CNN discussing Elena Kagan.](#)
- Ben Davis on Military Commissions, [May 16 The Blade](#)

### **SALT Members' Accomplishments**

- SALT co-president [Steven Bender](#) is being honored by University of Oregon with its Research Innovation Award for his scholarly activities that have gained national prominence. He is the coauthor of a casebook on real estate transactions, a national treatise on real estate financing, a book on Latino stereotypes titled, Greasers and Gringos Latinos, Law, and the American Imagination, and a book on politics titled, One Night in America: Robert Kennedy, Cesar Chavez, and the Dream of Dignity. [Read more...](#)
- The John Marshall Law School has named [Anthony Niedwiecki](#) director of the Lawyering Skills Program. Niedwiecki currently is an associate professor and director of the Lawyering Skills and Values Program at Nova Southeastern University Shepard Broad Law Center in Fort Lauderdale, Fla. He also is vice mayor of Oakland Park, Fla.
- [John Garvey](#), Director of the Daniel Webster Scholars Honors Program, at Franklin Pierce Law School, graduates another group of students who are sworn into practice in New Hampshire without having to take the bar exam. [Read more...](#)

### **Calls for Proposals**

- [June 1 Deadline](#): Third National People of Color Conference: Submit a *Work in Progress* or "*thoughts in progress.*"

- [June 15 Deadline](#): Third National People of Color Conference: Junior Faculty are invited to submit papers that may, but need not, be related to our broad conference theme, Our Country, Our World in a “Post-Racial” Era.
- [June 15 Deadline](#): Third National People of Color Conference: Students are invited to submit papers that may, but need not, be related to our broad conference theme, Our Country, Our World in a “Post-Racial” Era. First and Second Place winners will be given the opportunity to present their papers at the National Conference, as guests of the Conference, and will be given a cash prize.
- **New!!!** [July 30 Deadline](#): The American Society of International Law (ASIL) International Economic Law Interest Group, will hold its next biennial conference at University of Minnesota Law School. The conference is called: International Economic Law in a time of Change: Reassessing Legal Theory, Doctrine, Methodology and Policy Prescriptions.

## Calendar

- **May 21-23:** [The Second International Criminal Defense Conference](#): “Lessons from the Defense at the Ad Hoc UN Tribunals, and Prospects for International Justice at the ICC,” Brussels, Belgium
- **May 27:** [Assessment and Student Outcomes Conference: Implications of the Proposed ABA Standard on Student Learning Outcomes](#), The Charlotte School of Law, Charlotte, NC
- **Mark Your Calendars!!** **October 7-8:** [Eighth Annual SALT-LatCrit Junior Faculty Development Workshop](#), University of Denver Sturm College of Law
- **October 8-9:** [LatCrit XV, The Color of the Economic Crisis: Exploring the Downturn from the Bottom Up](#), University of Denver Sturm College of Law
- **SAVE the DATE!!** **December 10-11:** SALT Annual Teaching Conference, [read more about hotel accommodations and conference locations](#). Watch for descriptions of panels and programs, coming soon!!!

## SALT Membership SALE Continues

Three more reasons to join SALT or renew your membership today:

- The December 10-11 SALT Teaching Conference in Hawai'i will have a tiered registration so that SALT members pay less to attend.
- We care about the future of the legal academy: who attends, who teaches, and who will be the next generation of lawyers, judges, and leaders.
- We are committed to social justice.

[Join on-line and get four extra months of membership for free!](#)

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

The Society of American Law Teachers (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.***

*Tell your favorite graduates with fundraising experience to apply. [Download the Fellowship Announcement.](#)*