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Everybody Loves...The Docket!

The votes are in... Everyone is glad The Docket is back!

Me again! I promised you that there would be more to come.

This edition is jam packed with information about your fellow classmates and their graduation plans, interviews with faculty and staff members and we even designed a new puzzle for you to figure out. It was suggested that we have a Sudoku puzzle, but, since it is almost exam time, we hardly need an addictive game to take away our focus. Maybe in the fall. But, there is a catchy law humor song for you to hum along to as you prepare for studying.

Inside you will have the opportunity to meet Professor Lombardo, Valencia Lewis and the outgoing leaders of Law Review, Moot Court, SBA and STLA. Also included is the Law Week schedule and an all-inclusive guide to the student organizations available at the COL.

Well, I want you to turn the page, so, I’m ending with this: Congratulations to the graduates; Good luck on exams; Good luck on your litigation trials and enjoy the summer! The Docket will return in September. Thank you for welcoming the paper back with open arms! And thank you to the talented staff of The Docket for making it such a success.

Suzanne Lee-Jackson
Editor-in-Chief

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Honors Day Lunch:
In honor of Student Achievements
As part of the Law Week festivities, all College of Law students are invited to attend the Honors Day Luncheon on Wednesday, April 4, from 11:45 a.m. to 1:15 p.m., in the Student Center’s House and Senate Salon. The Honors Day Luncheon is the one opportunity each year for the entire College of Law community to assemble and honor our students for their achievements.

Georgia State named one of the Top 25 Most Underrated Law Schools.
Vault, one of the most popular destinations for insider company information, education advice, and career management services released it’s list of the Top 25 Most Underrated Law Schools. Georgia State University College of Law ranked #11. The list is derived from votes cast by legal recruiting professionals (including law firm recruiting managers, law firm hiring partners and corporate counsel) currently on your calendar.

Not only Law Week, but... Time to celebrate Law Day!
The first day of May of each year is designated as Law Day, U.S.A. It is set aside as a special day of celebration by the American people in appreciation of their liberties and the reaffirmation of their loyalty to the United States of America; of their rededication to the ideals of equality and justice under law in their relations with each other as well as with other nations; and for the cultivation of that respect for law that is so vital to the democratic way of life.

Learn more at http://www.lawday.org.
By Sherrie Brady

While Thomas E. Bowen, a GSU College of Law alumnus, does not use his law degree in the traditional practice of law, his law degree greatly contributes to his professional success. As Director of Sales and Property Tax of Hewlett Packard Company, Mr. Bowen oversees the company's compliance with more than two thousand state, local, and special purpose taxing jurisdictions across the United States. The field of state and local taxation is heavily impacted by Constitutional law. The primary Constitutional area influencing state and local taxation is the commerce clause. Specifically, the U.S. Supreme Court for many decades has been wrestling with determining when the activities of an out of state business are sufficient to permit a state to impose a tax on the business (i.e., the establishment of nexus). Through a relatively limited number of U.S. Supreme Court decisions, multi-state businesses and state taxing authorities attempt to interpret how the U.S. Constitution would apply in an economy that has moved from the sale of products to the sale of services, and one which has increasingly been impacted by e-commerce and other emerging technologies.

The changing face of state and local taxation also requires a working knowledge of administrative law. State and local taxing authorities regularly issue regulations and policies which may conflict with, or improperly expand, state statutes. It is often necessary to file proactive claims and understand the procedural actions that should be taken to preserve a challenge to any provision believed to be lacking authority. The majority of state and local disputes are resolved prior to litigation. This requires the ability of a state and local tax professional to appear and prove a matter in administrative proceedings which may be either formal or informal in nature.

Mr. Bowen also serves as Board Chair of the Georgia Student Finance Commission, GSFC (Agency which administers the HOPE scholarship). He was re-appointed by the Governor in February 2007, for a six year term. GSFC provided $690 million of scholarships, loans and grants to Georgia State students last year.

Further Mr. Bowen is a board member of DeKalb County School Board. DeKalb County is the largest school system in Georgia with more than 102,000 students and combined annual budget of approximately $1 billion.

By Amanda Clark

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Visit http://www.nps.gov/kemol for more information.

Rent a Boat - With the temperature creeping into the 80s it's almost time to bring out the swimsuits. Check out Park Marina at Lake Allatoona where you can rent a 21' Pontoon Boat for about $25 per person (plus the price of fuel, assuming a full boat load of 12 people) for 8 hours. Visit http://www.parkmarine.com/rentalboat-allatoona-rates.html for more information.

Ride a Bike – The Silver Comet Trail is a converted-rail trail with about 60 miles of trail extending from Smyrna to the Georgia-Alabama state line. The trail has a tree-lined, 2-lane paved trail from Smyrna out to Rockmart, Georgia. You can start at mile 0, just off I-285 at Atlanta Road in Smyrna, or go to the Depot at mile 4 where you can rent bikes and rollerblades. As the temperature gets hotter the shady trail offers a nice respite from the heat. Visit http://www.trailexpress.com/silvercomet/ for maps and directions to trailheads.

Go for a Run – Cochran Shoals on Interstate Parkway in Marietta is just a few short minutes from downtown Atlanta but a great escape from the city landscape. This recreation area on the Chattahoochee River has a great 5K loop that is relatively flat and mostly shady. The running loop stays pretty busy so it is also a safe place to run. The trail is dog-friendly but don’t let Fido drink the water. Overburdened sewers have contributed to the pollution of the river, so while it’s pretty to look at, it’s not clean. Visit http://www.nps.gov/chat/planyourvisiti/maps.htm for maps and more information.

WhirlyBall – And now for something completely different . . . WhirlyBall is as fun as its name sounds. It is considered a cross between bumper cars, basketball and lacrosse. You drive around in bumper cars while trying to scoop up a ball and the goal is to get the ball into the net at the other end of the court. This is a team sport so bring at least 9 of your friends with you. Check out http://www.whirlyballatlanta.com for locations and more information.

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American Constitution Society

Federalist Society

To embrace the principle that the state exists to preserve freedom, the separation of governmental powers is central to the integrity of the Constitution, and that it is the province and duty of the judiciary to say what the law is and not what it should be. To promote an awareness of these principles through activities.

Asian American Law Students

To foster and improve ties between Asian American Law students and Members of the Asian American Bar and the legal community as a whole. To foster an environment conducive to the continued advancement of Asian American law students and to ensure their success as future attorneys.

Association of Women Law Students (AWLS)

By Catherine Hammer.

To show concern about the under representation and lack of parity of women in the legal profession.

Black Law Students Association (BLSA)

By Patrick Ouzts

To articulate and promote the professional needs and goals of black law students while seeking to influence the legal community to bring about meaningful change to meet the needs of the Black community.

Business & Law Society (B&LS)

To foster a broad understanding of business issues facing attorneys today. To focus on the interest of JD/MBA canidates, providing an introduction of business issues that affect the careers of business and law students.

Child Advocacy Society

To promote the exchange of ideas and the creation and fulfillment of opportunities related to child advocacy in law, policy, health and education.

Christian Legal Society

To maintain a vibrant Christian Fellowship on GSU's College of Law campus which enables our members to love the Lord with our whole beings—hearts, souls, and minds— and to love our neighbors as ourselves.

Environmental Law Society

Seeks to provide a forum for law students to explore the field of environmental law; a network of students and professionals to support professional growth.

Law Review Board Announces Publication Selections

The Law Review Board announced that the following notes and comments were selected for publication for the 2007-2008 year:

An Unhealthy Nation: Why Lobbying Restrictions for Voluntary Health Care Organizations Don't Make Sense
By Catherine Hammer

The Problem and the Solution: Using the Internet to Resolve Internet Copyright Disputes
By Ted Solley

Lying to Catch the Bad Guy: The Eleventh Circuit's Standard of Review
By Brittany Southard

School Choice: Constitutionality and Possibility in Georgia
By Patrick Ouzts

Roaming Off-Road Without a Map: The Supreme Court Rides with BLM in Southern Utah Wilderness Alliance and Sierras NEPA towards Dangerous Territory
By Aaron Kappler

The Constitutionality of Georgia's Sex Offender Residency Statute
By Megan Iorio

Does the Power to Tax Compensation for Nonphysical Personal Injuries Really Involve the Power to Destroy?: Murphy v. IRS and the Constitutionality of Section 1040(d)(2)
By Jeff Phillips

Analyzing the Whistleblower Protection Act: At-Will Employment and the Future Fate of Georgia Whistleblowers
By Seth Eisenberg

It's Their Body of Law; Let Them Do What They Want:

This new COL organization seeks to educate, organize, and support law students to ensure that a new generation of advocates will be prepared to protect and expand reproductive rights as basic civil and human rights.

Moot Court

To develop each member's potential in written and oral advocacy and to represent the College of Law successfully in various Moot Court competitions, and to enhance each individual member's educational experience in law school.

OUTLaw

(formerly Lesbian and Gay Law Student Association) To support lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender (LGBT) law students at GSU by encouraging personal, social, professional, and academic development. To seek to be educational to the greater law school community.

Phi Alpha Delta (PAD)

To form a strong bond uniting students and teachers of law with members of the Bench and Bar in fraternal fellowship designed to advance the ideals of liberty and equal justice under law.

Public Interest Law Association

To educate students and the public at large about public interest law issues and seek to promote the goals of public interest law in protecting the public rights.

Sports and Entertainment Law Society

To promote the law school and its students in the Sports and Entertainment network in Atlanta. To provide information to our members concerning different opportunities in the Sports and Entertainment law field.

Student Bar Association

To serve the student body by acting as an advocate of all academic concerns, a promoter of student life, and a coordinator of all those peripheral functions that are integral to the achievement of academic excellence.

Student Health Law Association (SHLA)

To expose the rest of Georgia lawyers to the excellent talent that has been and is being molded and refined at our school by putting on different legal programs.

Jewish Law Student Association

To share an interest in Jewish legal issues and socio-political concerns and in meeting the needs and interest of Jewish law students.

Law Review

To publish a legal journal four times a year by 2nd and 3rd year GSU law students who have demonstrated outstanding writing and academic skills.

Law Students for Choice

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SHLA

Co-Presidents: Erinna Brawley & Sean Dentifer
Vp: Jonathan Lee Morris Treasurer: Tyoona Britt Crawford Events Coordinator: Heather Leigh Carter

BLSA

National First Runner Up

Thurgood Marshall Mock Trial Competition
The Regional Champions represented GSU COL in the National Competition right here in Atlanta. Team: Dech Warren, Stacey Gabany, Kapi Smith and Mochel Koran. Coaches: Adrian Britt with Travelers Indemnity Insurance Company and Katonga Harris (3L)

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Welcome...Professor Paul Lombardo

If you attended last month's lecture "Racially Tailored" Medicine: Troubled History, Current Controversy," you had an opportunity to see Professor Paul Lombardo in action. You learned that he recently joined the GSU faculty, that he's published extensively on topics in health law, medico-legal history, and bioethics, and that he's currently working on his next book "The One Sure Cure: Eugenics, the Supreme Court and Buck v. Bell." What you didn't learn is that Professor Lombardo teaches the Daily Show, has a penchant for classic rock, and enjoys getting to know better students at GSU Law Review members such as 3L associate editors, and our very talented board. I learned a tremendous amount from my years over the course of the year, and I look forward to seeing what is the alumni involvement in competition. And wisdom for the following year. It often has been tough run-whelming sentiment from arguments and their excitement as they travel to and return from academic confines of law school curriculum, enhancing their...
By Suzanne Law-Jackson

You know the name, you've received the emails, let's get to know the person! Valencia Lewis is the Business Affairs Coordinator of the College of Law. In addition to making sure we have lockers to keep our 100 pounds of books in, she is also the "go to" person for every single event on campus. I still can't imagine how she keeps track of everything. I also can't imagine what her "Outbox" looks like! It is no surprise that Valencia's favorite super hero is Wonder Woman--that's what I think of when I consider all she keeps track of for the students at the College of Law. Enjoy!

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The Face Behind the Emails... Valencia Lewis

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Outrageous Injustice: 
Genarlow Wilson’s Effect on Aggravated Child Molestation Laws

By Sherrie Brady

How many teenagers spend ten years in prison for having consensual oral sex with their classmate? A wild New Year’s Eve two years ago has landed Genarlow Wilson in prison for 10 years on charges of child molestation. The outrageous injustice made state legislators rework the strict law that put him behind bars. However, the law was not applied retroactively. Wilson sits in prison despite being a good son, a good athlete and a high school student with a 3.2 grade point average, because he had consensual oral sex with a classmate.

New Year’s eve Wilson and a group of friends had the kind of bash no parent would want their teenager to attend. Crime scene investigators searching the room of a Days Inn in the small town of Douglassville, Ga., found evidence of drinking, as well as condoms and wrappers littered all over. Plus, there was a video camera that contained, among other things, various sexual acts that happened at the party.

In one portion of the tape Wilson was having intercourse with a seventeen-year-old girl who appeared to be either intoxicated or sleepy, but never tells him to stop. Other portions of the tape show a second girl, who was fifteen, and later said she did not drink that night. She was recorded having oral sex with several boys in seclusion, including seventeen-year-old Wilson.

On the day Wilson was supposed to sit for the SAT, he was arrested and his life changed forever. He was charged with inappropriate acts of sexual conduct. A jury acquitted him (after less than an hour deliberation) of rape charges pertaining to the seventeen-year-old girl. However, he was convicted of Aggravated Child Molestation in a voluntary act of oral sex with the fifteen-year-old. Along with the label “child molester” which will require him to register as a sexual offender for the rest of his life, Wilson received a sentence of eleven years—a mandatory 10 years in prison and 1 year on probation.

As a result, on July 1st, 2006, the new Romeo and Juliet law went into effect in Georgia for any other teen that engages in consensual sexual acts. Now, no teen prosecuted for consensual oral sex could receive more than a 12 months sentence or be required to register as a sex offender. Had this law been in effect when Wilson was arrested, he would not now be in jail.

While Wilson and his mother are overjoyed that no one else in Georgia will have to know their pain, the legal fight continues for Genarlow Wilson, who has been incarcerated since February 25, 2005.

The Campaign for College Affordability

By Nichole DeVries

On January 17, the House of Representatives took an important first step toward softening the blow of student debt by overwhelmingly passing a bill that cuts interest rates for subsidized Stafford student loans in half. It’s now the Senate’s turn to promote opportunity for all by making college more affordable!

In support to the active legislation to cut subsidized Stafford loan interest rates in half, other plans to increase access to higher education include: 1. Increasing need-based grant aid by raising the maximum Pell Grant award to $5100. 2. Making student loans more affordable by lowering interest rates, limiting the percentage of income students spend repaying loans, expanding loan forgiveness programs for critical public service careers and reinstating the refinancing of existing loans.

Taking the Time

By Nichole DeVries

How many pro bono hours have you enjoyed lately? Taking the time to volunteer is not for the faint of heart this time of year with finals and summertime right around the corner. Check out a few of the following opportunities that will help you contribute to the community:

State Bar of Georgia Docent

The Docent Program at the State Bar of Georgia seeks to incite enthusiasm for the law in students of all ages. The day starts with an introduction to Woodrow Wilson and his life, includes a law lesson, and a mock trial. By the end of the day docents walk the short distance back to the law school with confidence that future lawyers were inspired.

Contact: Sharon@gabar.org

Southern Center for Human Rights

SCHR is a non-profit, public interest law firm dedicated to enforcing the civil and human rights of people in the criminal justice system in the South. Volunteers are always needed for the Fairness for Prisoners’ Families Program, hotline advocates, and office support.

Visit www.schr.org for more information.

Westlaw

Sign up for April Westlaw Certification Classes Now!

Wednesday, April 4th PREPARE TO PRACTICE- USING WESTLAW EFFICIENTLY IN THE REAL WORLD Noon: Room 100 5pm: Room 230 Pizza and Soda will be served.

Wednesday, April 11th PREPARE TO PRACTICE- JUDICIAL AND GOVERNMENT CLERKSHIPS Noon, 4pm and 5pm 6th floor Training Lab

Wednesday, April 18th LAST CHANCE PREPARE TO PRACTICE- USING WESTLAW EFFICIENTLY IN THE REAL WORLD Noon, 4pm and 5pm 6th floor Training Lab

To register, email Sue Moore at: sue.moore@thomson.com or sign up on lawschool.westlaw.com click on "Check out the Westlaw Training Calendar" link.
Faces of 2007...Students on the move

By Elizabeth Marum & Suzanne Lee-Jackson

On the front page we announced that the COL was voted one of the Top 25 Most Underrated Law Schools. Commentators cited our highly competent students as one of the reasons our graduates are so desirable as first year associates. We did a little research of our own and found more of what we already know: Georgia State is bursting at the seams with choices, and volunteer with groups that are

**BETSY BULAT TURNER**

Betsy Bulat was awarded the Best Student Note or Comment in Volume 23 of the GSU Law Review for her Note, The Relevance of Foreign Law as Persuasive Authority and Congress’s Response to its Use: A Preemptive Attack on the Constitution Restoration Act.

You might see the next generation of legal scholars in action first on Betsy Bulat as she works around the Urban Life hallways, and you might not know is that this fashionista packs a punch in the academic world. As a member of Law Review and Student Writing Editor 2005-2006, she has still has time to be a Graduate Research Assistant with Professor Marjorie Girth and Adjunct Professor Greg Jones. In addition, she has been an active member of the Law Student Society, serving as Treasurer in 2006-2007. An avid runner, international traveler and dog lover, Betsy will start a two-year federal clerkship with Magistrate Judge E. Clayton Scofield III in the Northern District of Georgia after the Bar Exam in July.

We wish her luck in one day snagging in-house counsel position with Yves Saint Laurent, Lanvin, Prada or some other mega fashion house!

**JESSICA KEESEE**

Jessica is a great example that you can enjoy life AND enjoy law school. In addition to being a student in the SBA and working as a Medical Facilities Design Engineer for a radiation therapy and neurosurgery equipment manufacturer (say that 3 times fast!), she also has time to take part in the beach...who is she?

"What I want to be when I grow up: Intellectual Property Attorney or an Astronaut."

My favorite classes are Property, Corporate Law, Media Law and the SBA’s Judicial Advocacy and Professional Responsibility Survey course.

For fun, I enjoy riding roller coasters and long walks around. I’m seriously like I’d ride my motorcycle (400XXR), watch movies when I have the time. The Dean’s Office (you’ll love the original "Infernal Affairs"!), Georgia Tech football in the fall, and bike work (I have a personal goal to run a marathon some day), and sleep.

How I maintain the work-life balance? I have a very supportive significant other, I make sure I get enough sleep, make healthy food choices, and volunteer with groups that are important to me (Georgia on the Go, Youth Leadership Seminar, Advisor to my undergraduate sorority Alpha Gamma Delta).

**DOUGLAS OHLSON**

Douglas Ohlson served as the Treasurer for the Business & Law Society in 2006-2007. Doug says law school has been 3 of the best years of his life and if he could figure out how to get paid for it, he might not leave.

We all know Douglas Ohlson as a major networker and the de facto social chair of the law school, but there is a lot more to the man beyond his bombastic charm. Fluent in the Persian dialect of Farsi, Doug has been volunteering for the International Rescue Committee translating for and working with refugees from Iran for the past two years and has accumulated over 300 hours work. On top of all this, Doug has entered with Judge Thelma Wyatt Cummings Moore at the Fulton County Superior Court, and was a GRA for undertaking firm doing asylum work.

Doug hopes to continue working in immigration in a small firm or for the government after graduation.

**ANTHONY YONNONE**

Tony Yonnone is proof that sleep is highly overrated! In addition to taking classes to satisfy a dual degree (and still finishing with his class), he has been involved with the SBA since his first year and currently serves as the Vice-President.

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**TRACY STARR**

During a summer internship with the EPA, Tracy Starr was asked to help write an article, the subject of which was a critical issue in two cases then before the US Supreme Court. The article was subsequently passed along to the Supreme Court for consideration.

After working for the Japanese Ministry of Foreign Affairs while living in a small fishing village in Japan for a year, Tracy returned Stateside to work on international development projects in Latin America and S.E. Asia, receiving a Master’s in International Development Magna Cum Laude from The American University in Washington D.C., and working for an Atlanta Software company for seven years, Tracy Starr decided to live out her pre-college goal of attending law school. From here, Tracy’s achievement continued to stack up. Hoping to use her vast experience in water and environmental development here in Georgia, where development is rapid and environmental protections take second place, Tracy snagged a summer internship with EPA Region 4. While interning here, Tracy was asked to help write an article on the meaning of “waters of the United States” for the Environmental Law Reporter and in March ’06 edition which circulated to the Environmental Law Institute, where it was then sent to the United States General’s office as an amicus brief in the Rapanos/Carabell case.

From there, the article was sent to the EPA and passed along to the Supreme Court for consideration. Not surprisingly, it was rejected, although it wasn’t cited by the Court, it has been cited by other people in other articles. In addition to taking classes to satisfy a dual degree (and still finishing with his class), he has been involved with the SBA since his first year and currently serves as the Vice-President.

"I never expected that law school would be a stepping stone to the jiggling of my legal identity, but as I move forward in the journey of life on the horizon, I saw the law as integral to everything, and no matter what after dreams I had formed or was forming for my future, law school was the path. Not just as a regular of citizen I wanted to understand the law-I felt that it was my obligation. But as a not-so-rational citizen with fully, 100% invested and passed along to the law, the better my chances are at getting things right in the future (mostly because I’ll be a graduate of treason/ Polak, all while working for an immigration firm doing asylum work.

"Growing up in rural Mississippi, becoming an attorney was one of those seemingly unattainable, yet just the thought of escaping the imperfections of dirt roads and the truth that many of my childhood friends would be left behind as I made my way to keep me busy. However, I did it. I left home at fifteen to attend the Mississippi School for Math and Science and barely look back. From that time on, my dreams of homesickness! The most rewarding of my experiences was the Pre-Law program at Mississippi College. From satisfying part of the day was feeling as though I had held something in reserve. One of the best things I gained from this event was also the ability to work closely with some wonderful people in the Office of Admissions, who made the event a stunning success. The experience I have had thus far has been as beneficial as it has been yet rewarding. One of the most important things I’ve learned is that the reality of law is truly too short to toll with minutiae. As I look to the future, I know that as long as I’m able to do that, then I’m content.”

Alana attended Louisiana State University where she earned a degree in Marketing. She has dedicated over 350 hours to community service, and intends to continue to do so throughout her legal career.

**NICHOL DEVEIRS**

Nichole is a part time, first year student who is busy, busy, busy. Not only is she the Executive Editor for this wonderful publication (noo, noo, wink, wink), she also teaches classes and mentors students for the Street Law Program.

"Life takes you funny places and GSU College of Law is certainly one of those for me. A Montana native, I graduated from Montana State University in 2004. After graduating I was awarded a Fulbright Grant to teach English in Indonesia. An unanticipated position in international trade brought me to Georgia. Not long after I moved here, I knew I was ready to approach law school. I had to make sure I was off from the value and get an accredited program and opportunities to get involved in the legal community are endless when you show some initiative. While attending school I substitute teach which offers me the flexibility to stay involved in extra-curricular activities."

My advice to those nervously anticipating the first year: Don’t check your pre-law school passions at the door and engage them weekly if possible. You will need an outlet to decompress trust me."
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Legal Sing-a-long

That's What The Law's About

By Madeleine Began Kane

Sing to the tune of "The Hokey Pokey"

You have to dot those is's... Must keep that meter on.
You've got to cross those is's. And never turn it off.
You have to seem to wise. Yes even in the john.
Or they'll think you're going soft.
If you're smart and lucky. Your client might just pay you.
You will turn your case around. If a winner he is crowned.
That's what the law's about.

You have to file those claims. So keep that Lewis near.
You've got to see those stills. Right on your "puter screen.
You have to shift the blame. And soon you'll have no peer.
With no ends or buts or ilks. With a genius you will seem.
If you're bright and puckish. And if you're not so convincing.
You will turn your case around. Your opponents you willound.
That's what the law's about.

You've got to prep those listes. Go tell the judge you're right.
And make them long and dense. Show where and why and how.
And prove your clients' deeds. And be prepared to fight.
Even if they make no sense. And if you argue sharply.
Be sure to play your cards right. Other lawyers will be wowed.
And a winner you'll be found. That's what the law's about.
That's what the law's about.

You have to seem real smart. You've got to win, win, win.
As if you know it all. With logic, brains, and brawn.
Recite Fed Code by heart. To lose is such a sin.
Always make good judgment calls. Let there never be a doubt.
And if you do your homework. In deals and litigation.
Your opponents will be tounced. You must rub the en'my out.
That's what the law's about.

These words are "lost" in the puzzle. Can you find them?

TIENP AENJRCEREG EE DISOL VAM

CRAI TETN LAC MCK T M NS NT MS

OLLL EK ION NOAN ON A

SNENE HNL LMT N I R U EI

CE MSMD E I T W T THM U N

SMT ELE EIO T U P S M N T

MLT R A MLQ T P L L T L O

AMT REE OPE L T A P S E

NOM BEF TUR E N T O T E

I EML N L N A N D A T E

FIM BEC L V T R T T P L

NLL E T N T N

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