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PENN STATE'S DICKINSON LAW WELCOMES TWO WORLD-CLASS LAWYERS TO FACULTY

Carlisle, PA — August 11, 2014 — Penn State's Dickinson Law welcomes two new full-time faculty members. Dermot Groome, an international criminal law expert, and Martin Skladany, an intellectual property law expert, will join the Law School beginning in the fall 2014 semester.

"Dickinson Law is committed to ensuring that our students receive the best possible legal education—one that focuses on producing practice-ready lawyers for a highly challenging, global marketplace," said Interim Dean Gary Gildin. "Hiring these two world-class lawyers and scholars is just one of many steps that we are making to carry out that promise."



Dermot Groome is best known for leading prosecutions as a senior trial attorney at the Office of the Prosecutor for the International Criminal Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia (ICTY), a special court established to try those responsible for war crimes committed in the Balkans. He was responsible for the indictment against Serbian President Slobodan Milosevic and served as lead prosecutor in the case against General Ratko Mladic, the highest ranking officer prosecuted at the ICTY. Groome served as the Office's on-site director as well as senior prosecutor.

From 2005 to 2007, Groome taught at Dickinson Law as a visiting professor and established a semester-in-residence internship program for law students at the ICTY, giving them the opportunity to take part in criminal prosecutions at the international level.

In addition to his investigative and trial experience at the Manhattan District Attorney's Office, Groome spent many years abroad working in transitional justice and legal systems development. He served as a legal advisor with the International Human Rights Law Group and as a consultant for the Office of the High Commissions for Human Rights mission in Cambodia. Groome has been a guest lecturer on international humanitarian law at the NATO School in Oberamagau, Germany, and The Institute of International Humanitarian Law in San Remo, Italy. He also served as an adjunct instructor with the International Institute of Criminal Investigation.

Groome will teach courses in criminal law, international criminal law, advocacy, and international human rights.

Martin Skladany, who most recently worked at the Caux Round Table as a program administrator of the anti-corruption and asset recovery initiative, joins the faculty as an assistant professor of law. He received his J.D. from Yale Law School, where he was editor of the *Yale Journal of International Law*. Skladany worked as an associate with Debevoise & Plimpton LLP in Washington, D.C., and New York, NY where he was a



member of the legal team that represented the Association of American Publishers in their copyright suit against Google Books.

A prolific scholar, Skladany is the author of numerous articles on issues in intellectual property, Internet law, law and technology, and law and development. His current research examines how the laws that govern the creation of culture and technology also influence individual fulfillment and the fundamental principles we value both domestically and abroad. His investigations into intellectual property's effects in developing countries relate to his research interest in reducing corruption and improving governance within poor countries.

Skladany will teach property, copyrights, trademarks, an intellectual property survey course, trademarks, and a seminar on law and development.

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