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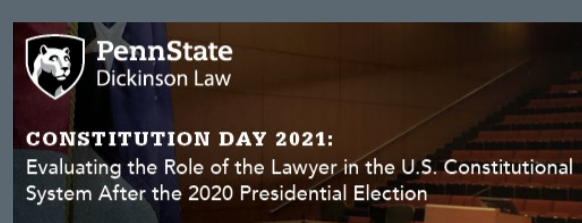
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## LATEST ISSUE OF DICKINSON LAWYER AVAILABLE ONLINE



In the latest issue of *Dickinson Lawyer*, the official publication for alumni and friends of Dickinson Law, you'll learn more about what we accomplished together while navigating the last academic year amidst a global health pandemic. You went above and beyond to ensure our faculty, staff, and students had the support they needed, from volunteering your time as guest presenters in our groundbreaking "Race and the Equal Protection of the Laws" course to deepening our student resources by endowing and contributing to scholarship funds. [Download issue.](#)

## PROFESSORS BRAND, GAUDION TO DELIVER VIRTUAL CONSTITUTION DAY ADDRESS ON SEPTEMBER 29



Penn State Dickinson Law's Center for Government Law and Public Policy Studies will present its annual Constitution Day Address featuring Professors Stanley M. Brand and Amy C. Gaudion with introductory remarks by Dean and Donald J. Farage Professor of Law Danielle M. Conway. Brand and Gaudion will focus their remarks on "Evaluating the Role of the Lawyer in the U.S. Constitutional System After the 2020 Presidential Election." Full details for this virtual event are available online. [Learn more and register](#)

## ALUMNA APPOINTED SUPERIOR COURT JUDGE IN CONTRA COSTA COUNTY, CALIFORNIA



Jennifer D. Lee '97

Jennifer D. Lee '97 was recently appointed by California Governor Gavin Newsom to serve as a judge in the Contra Costa County Superior Court. Lee has served as a court commissioner at the Contra Costa County Superior Court since 2019. She was security counsel at Apple Inc. from 2018 to 2019. Lee served as a deputy district attorney at the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office from 2006 to 2018, as a deputy city attorney at the Los Angeles City Attorney's Office from 2002 to 2006, and as a deputy public defender at the Alameda County Public Defender's Office from 2001 to 2002. She served as a staff attorney at Legal Aid of Marin in 2000 and as a deputy public defender at the Centre County, Pennsylvania, Public Defender's Office from 1997 to 1999.

## PROFESSOR MAKHLOUF PUBLISHES HEALTH JUSTICE POST ON HARVARD LAW/PETRIE-FLOM CENTER BLOG



Medha D. Makhlof

A major contribution of health justice is that it provides a framework for understanding how universal access to health care protects collective, as well as individual, interests. The pandemic has underscored the collective nature of the health and wellbeing of every person living in the United States, regardless of immigration status. In a 2019 article, "Health Justice for Immigrants", Assistant Professor of Law and Founding Director of the Medical-Legal Partnership Clinic Medha D. Makhlof adopted and adapted the health justice framework to the problem of disparities in immigrant access to subsidized health coverage. She argued that, in future health care reforms, health justice requires that immigrants be included in the "universe" of universal access to health care. In a recent blog post featured on Bill of Health, which examines the intersection of health law, biotechnology, and bioethics, Professor Makhlof revisits this argument in light of the COVID-19 pandemic. [Full story](#)

## A NEW DICKINSON LAW CLASS TRAINS STUDENTS TO BECOME CASAS, OFFSETTING VOLUNTEER SHORTAGE



L to R: Aranda Stathers '23, Aria Plants '23 and Ezza Ahmed '23,

A new Dickinson Law class offers students training to become Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASAs), who act as the eyes and ears of the court by advocating for children in the foster system. Second-year students Ezza Ahmed '23, Aranda Stathers '23, and Aria Plants '23 were sworn in as volunteers this month after completing the four-week course. [Full story](#)

## NEW DIRECTOR OF INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMS AND GRADUATE EDUCATION JOINS LAW SCHOOL COMMUNITY



Dr. Anthony C. Ogden

Dr. Anthony C. Ogden recently joined Dickinson Law as director of international programs and graduate education. Dr. Ogden is a respected scholar and practitioner with nearly thirty years of experience in international higher education. He previously held senior international leadership positions at Penn State, the University of Kentucky, Michigan State University, and the University of Wyoming. Dr. Ogden began his career in Japan, where he directed the IES Abroad Tokyo Center. A three-time Fulbright recipient, Dr. Ogden earned his doctorate in Educational Theory and Policy with a dual title in Comparative and International Education at Penn State. He has produced over sixty professional and scholarly publications focused on international higher education, including the 2020 co-edited book *Education Abroad: Bridging Scholarship and Practice* (Routledge).



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