

**Services to Pro Se Patrons & Prisoners:  
LISP/RIPS/SR-SIS Joint Roundtable AALL 2004  
Monday July 12, 2004 (5:15-6:15pm)**

## **Law School Clinics Serving Prisoners**

Below is a select list of law school clinics that serve federal and/or state prisoners. The list is compiled from a search (June 2004) of the directory of clinical legal education and clinics available through the *Gateway to Clinical Legal Education*, <http://cgi2.www.law.umich.edu/GCLE/Index.asp>, and a brief search of the websites of the U.S. law schools that are members of the American Association of Law Schools, <http://www.aals.org/members.html>. The information below includes clinics, externships, or student organizations serving prisoners or addressing death penalty cases and post-conviction relief. General criminal law and civil law clinics are not included. A list of Innocence Projects (addressing wrongful conviction) around the country available at [http://www.innocenceproject.org/about/other\\_projects.php](http://www.innocenceproject.org/about/other_projects.php). Please send additions/corrections to Ann Hemmens ([hemmens@u.washington.edu](mailto:hemmens@u.washington.edu)).

### **ALABAMA**

**Capital Defender Clinic – Alabama  
New York University School of Law**

New York, NY  
Instructors: Professors Anthony G. Amsterdam,  
Bryan Stevenson, and Randy Susskind  
Phone: (212) 998-6430

<http://www.law.nyu.edu/clinics/semester/capitalal/index.html>

Students in this clinic represent death row prisoners in Alabama postconviction proceedings through the Equal Justice Initiative located in Montgomery, Alabama.

### **CALIFORNIA**

**Prison Law Clinic  
University of California at Davis School of Law**

Phone: (530) 752-0243  
Instructor: Millard A. Murphy  
[http://www.law.ucdavis.edu/cl\\_index.asp](http://www.law.ucdavis.edu/cl_index.asp)  
Law students assist prisoners with problems related to incarceration in California state prisons.

**Death Penalty Clinic  
University of California at Berkeley School of Law**

Instructors: Elisabeth Semel and Charles  
Weisselberg  
Phone: (510) 643-8159  
<http://www.law.berkeley.edu/cenpro/clinical/deathpenalty.html>

Students represent prisoners in capital post-conviction proceedings in California and other states.

**Death Penalty Clinic  
Santa Clara University School of Law**

Santa Clara, CA  
Instructor: Professor Ellen Kreitzberg  
Phone: (408) 554-4724  
[http://www.scu.edu/law/academics/courses/cor\\_1067.html](http://www.scu.edu/law/academics/courses/cor_1067.html)

### **CONNECTICUT**

**Prisoner Clinic  
Yale Law School**

Jerome N. Frank Legal Services Organization  
New Haven, CT  
Phone: (203) 432-4800  
Instructors: Brett Dignam & John L. Pottenger  
[http://www.law.yale.edu/outside/html/Legal\\_Services/Iso-index.htm](http://www.law.yale.edu/outside/html/Legal_Services/Iso-index.htm)  
Students represent inmates in state and federal prisons in Connecticut.

**Capital Assistance Project  
Yale Law School**

New Haven, CT  
Phone: (203) 432-4800  
<http://www.yale.edu/bulletin/html2002/law/organizations.html>  
Students provide assistance to practitioners handling capital cases.

### **DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA**

**Project for Older Prisoners (POPS)  
George Washington University National Law Center**

Washington, D.C.  
Instructor: Jonathan Turley

Telephone: (202) 994-7001

<http://www.law.gwu.edu/acad/clinics.asp>

Students assist low-risk prisoners over the age of 55 in obtaining paroles, pardons, or alternative forms of incarceration; provide books for prison libraries (Books for Crooks program).

## ILLINOIS

### **Death Penalty Legal Clinic DePaul University College of Law**

Chicago, IL

Instructor: Andrea Lyon

Phone: (312) 362-8402

<http://www.law.depaul.edu/>

Students work on trial and post-conviction capital cases.

### **MacArthur Justice Center University of Chicago Law School**

Chicago, IL

Phone: (773) 702-9494

<http://macarthur.uchicago.edu/>

This non-profit public interest law firm handles select cases relating to the treatment of prisoners, supermax prisons, death penalty, DNA testing, and unlawful incarceration.

## INDIANA

### **Inmate Legal Assistance Project Indiana University School of Law-Bloomington**

Bloomington, IN

Phone: (812) 855-7995

<http://www.law.indiana.edu/curriculum/programs/clinical.shtml>

Students assist federal prisoners at the Terre Haute penitentiary.

## IOWA

### **Prison Clinic University of Iowa College of Law**

Iowa City, IA

Instructor: John Booker Whiston

Phone: (319) 335-9145

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## KANSAS

### **Paul E. Wilson Defender Project University of Kansas School of Law**

Lawrence, KS

Instructor: Professor Jean Phillips

Phone: (785) 864-5571

[http://www.law.ku.edu/academics/sub\\_clinic.asp](http://www.law.ku.edu/academics/sub_clinic.asp)

Students represent state and federal prisoners in appellate and post-conviction litigation in state and federal courts.

## KENTUCKY

### **Prison Externship University of Kentucky College of Law**

Lexington, KY

Phone: (859) 257-1678

[http://www.uky.edu/Law/current\\_students/legal\\_externships.html](http://www.uky.edu/Law/current_students/legal_externships.html)

Students assist inmates in civil and criminal matters at the Federal Correctional Institute in Lexington.

## LOUISIANA

### **Project for Older Prisoners (POPS) Tulane University School of Law**

New Orleans, LA

Instructor: Michael Idoyaga

Phone: (504) 865-5849

<http://www.law.tulane.edu/tuexp/studentorg/pops/index.htm>

Students assist elderly and infirm inmates of Louisiana's prisons seeking parole, pardon, or commutation.

## MASSACHUSETTS

### **Prison Legal Assistance Project Harvard Law School**

Cambridge, MA

Instructor: John Fitzpatrick

Phone: (617) 495-3969

<http://www.law.harvard.edu/academics/clinical/plap/>

Students represent inmates in Massachusetts state prisons and provide legal research assistance.

### **Prisoners' Rights Clinic New England School of Law**

Boston, MA

Director of Clinical Programs: Russell Engler

Phone: (617) 451- 0010

<http://www.nesl.edu/academics/clinic/fall2003.pdf>

Students provide civil and criminal legal assistance to prison inmates.

### **Prisoners' Rights Clinic Northeastern University School of Law**

Boston, MA

Instructor: Professor Wallace E. Holohan

Phone: (617) 373-3628

<http://www.slaw.neu.edu/clinics/clinics.html#Prisoners>

Students represent prisoners in Massachusetts.

## MINNESOTA

### **Legal Assistance for Minnesota Prisoners (LAMP) Clinic**

**William Mitchell College of Law**

St. Paul, MN

Instructors: Professors Ann Juergens & Peter Knapp  
Phone: (651) 290-6391  
<http://www.wmitchell.edu/prospective/practicalskills/clinics.html>

Students in clinic provide civil representation to indigent persons incarcerated in Minnesota.

## MISSOURI

**Capital Punishment Clinic**  
**Washington University School of Law**  
St. Louis, MO

Instructor: Professor Karen L. Tokarz  
Phone: (314) 935-6400  
<http://www.wulaw.wustl.edu/Clinics/capitpunshclinic.html>

## MONTANA

**Federal Defenders of Montana**  
**University of Montana School of Law**  
Missoula, MT

Instructors: Melissa Harrison & David Avery  
Phone: (406) 243-4311  
<http://www.umt.edu/law/ClinicFedDefend.htm>  
Students in this clinic provide legal representation to individuals accused of federal offenses, under investigation for federal criminal violations, or appealing a federal conviction or sentence, as well as furnishing representation to federal Habeas Corpus litigants (including those under a sentence of death).

## NEW JERSEY

**Prisoners Self Help Legal Clinic**  
**Seton Hall School of Law**  
Newark, NJ

Contact: Margaret Leland Smith,  
Phone : (973) 642-8700  
<http://law.shu.edu/csj/>

## NEW YORK

**Prisoners and Families Clinic**  
**Columbia University School of Law**  
New York, NY

Instructor: Philip Michael Genty  
Phone: (212) 854-3250  
<http://www.law.columbia.edu/focusareas/clinics/prisoners>  
Handles cases involving parole or parental rights in New York City area prisons.

**Offender Reentry Clinic**  
**New York University School of Law**  
New York, NY  
Instructor: Professor Anthony C. Thompson

Phone: (212) 998-6475  
<http://www.law.nyu.edu/clinics/year/offender/index.html>

Students in this clinic advise inmates released from federal and state prisons on issues such as their legal rights and obligations pertaining to employment and review of their criminal records.

**Criminal Appellate Defender Clinic**  
**New York University School of Law**  
New York, NY

Instructors: Professors Sara Gurwitch & Eunice Lee  
Phone: (212) 998-6430

<http://www.law.nyu.edu/clinics/semester/index.html>  
This clinic, which is operated in conjunction with the Office of the Appellate Defender, represents criminal defendants in appeals of their felony convictions to the New York Supreme Court, Appellate Division, First Department.

**Capital Defender Clinic – Alabama**  
**New York University School of Law**  
New York, NY

Instructors: Professors Anthony G. Amsterdam, Bryan Stevenson, and Randy Susskind  
Phone: (212) 998-6430  
<http://www.law.nyu.edu/clinics/semester/index.html>  
Students in this clinic represent death row prisoners in Alabama postconviction proceedings through the Equal Justice Initiative located in Montgomery, Alabama.

**Federal Defender Clinic**  
**New York University School of Law**  
New York, NY

Instructors: Professors David Klem & David Patton  
Phone: (212) 998-6439  
<http://www.law.nyu.edu/clinics/year/feddefend/index.html>

Students in this clinic represent indigent defendants charged with misdemeanor offenses in Federal Magistrates Court, Eastern District of New York.

**Capital Defender and Habeas Clinic**  
**Brooklyn Law School**

Brooklyn, NY  
Instructor: Professor Ursula Bentele  
Phone: (718) 780-7990,  
<http://www.brooklaw.edu/academic/clinics/courses.php>

Students involved in post-conviction representation of death row inmates in other states and defendants in New York who have filed federal habeas corpus petitions.

**Criminal Justice Clinic**  
**Pace University School of Law**  
White Plains, NY  
Phone: (914) 422-4253

<http://www.law.pace.edu/jjls/clinic.html>

Students represent indigent clients charged with misdemeanor offenses in the Bronx County Criminal Court.

### **Death Penalty Clinic**

#### **Cornell Law School**

Ithaca, NY

Phone: (607) 255-7190

<http://www.lawschool.cornell.edu/admissions/clinic.htm>

## **NORTH CAROLINA**

### **Association Against the Death Penalty**

#### **Wake Forest University School of Law**

Winston-Salem, NC

Phone: (336) 758-5430

<http://www.law.wfu.edu/x654.xml>

Students assist local attorneys representing defendants facing the death penalty.

### **Death Penalty Clinic**

#### **Duke University School of Law**

Durham, NC

Instructors: J. Coleman, R. Mosteller, & C. Adcock

Phone: (919)613-7057

<http://www.law.duke.edu/admis/clinical.html>

Students in this clinic provide legal representation to prisoners claiming wrongful conviction of crimes for which they have been sentenced to capital punishment.

## **OHIO**

### **Prisoner Legal Assistance Clinic**

#### **University of Akron School of Law**

Akron, OH

Instructor: J. Dean Carro

Phone: (330) 972-6370

<http://www.uakron.edu/law/clinical.php>

Conduct legal research for Ohio prison inmates; represent inmates in habeas corpus and prisoner civil rights actions.

### **Jail Inmate Assistance Program**

#### **University of Akron School of Law**

Akron, OH

Instructor: J. Dean Carro

Phone: (330) 972-6370

<http://www.uakron.edu/law/clinical.php>

Law students provide general legal information on criminal and civil problems to inmates of Summit and Mahoning County jails in Ohio.

## **PENNSYLVANIA**

### **Prisoners' Rights Project**

#### **University of Pennsylvania Law School**

Philadelphia, PA

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Instructor: Angus Love

Phone: (215) 898-7491

<http://www.law.upenn.edu/prospective/studentactivities.html>

Students provide inmates with legal assistance in matters ranging from civil rights violations to confiscated property.

### **Pennsylvania Institutional Law Project**

Philadelphia, PA

Phone: (215)925-2966

Lewisburg, PA

Phone: (570)23-1104

Pittsburgh, PA

Phone: (412)-232-0276

<http://www.pailp.org/>

A non-profit organization administered by the PA Legal Services Center, PAILP provides legal assistance to incarcerated or institutionalized low-income people whose constitutional rights have been violated within the institution.

### **Death Penalty Litigation Clinic**

#### **Temple University School of Law**

Philadelphia, PA

Phone: (215) 204-8574

<http://www.temple.edu/lawschool/clinicals/coursedesc.pdf>

## **TEXAS**

### **Capital Punishment Clinic**

#### **University of Texas School of Law**

Austin, TX

Instructor: Professor Robert Owen

Phone: (512) 471-5151

<http://www.utexas.edu/law/academics/clinics/allclinics.html>

Students assist in representing indigent criminal defendants in capital cases.

## **UTAH**

### **Death Penalty Clinic**

#### **University of Utah College of Law**

Salt Lake City, UT

Phone: (801) 581-4077

<http://www.law.utah.edu/programs/clinic.html>

## **WISCONSIN**

### **Legal Assistance to Institutionalized Persons Project**

#### **University of Wisconsin Law School**

Instructor: Meredith Jane Ross

Phone: (608) 262-3764

<http://www.law.wisc.edu/FJR/laip/index.htm>

Students provide legal research and legal assistance to state and federal prison inmates in Wisconsin addressing civil and criminal matters.