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First-rate advocates

The School of Law recently won the national South Texas Mock Trial Challenge. Team members include: (l. to r.) Daniel Lockaby, Lauren Lutton, Robert Harrison and Shanice Echols.

Advocacy teams add two wins to 2017-18 season, finishing with three national titles and coveted state trophy

The School of Law recently won the [national South Texas Mock Trial Challenge](#) and the [Intrastate Moot Court Competition](#). These wins bring the total national championships for UGA for the 2017-18 season to three in addition to a coveted state title. Third-year law student Lauren E. Lutton and second-year law students Shanice Echols, Robert Harrison II and C. Daniel Lockaby captured the national title in the 2018 South Texas contest. In the 2018 Intrastate Moot Court Competition, second-year law students Anna C. Braue, Thomas Grantham and Timia Skelton beat teams from Georgia State University in the final and semifinal rounds to bring home the state title. UGA last won this tournament in 2016, and in the last 10 years UGA has captured the state's top trophy seven times.

Georgia Supreme Court Justice Robert Benham to deliver 2018 Commencement address

Supreme Court of Georgia Justice Robert Benham will deliver the keynote address at the School of Law's [Commencement](#) to be held May 19. Benham, a 1970 graduate of the School of Law, was the first African-American ever appointed to the state Supreme Court. Approximately 210 students will receive degrees, including the Juris Doctor, the Master of Laws and the Master in the Study of Law, at the ceremony.



BENHAM

School of Law graduates lead the state in employment opportunities

UGA graduates continue to be leaders in the legal profession. Recently, the *Daily Report* tracked lawyers who made partner in 2018 at large and midsize firms in Atlanta. UGA School of Law graduates [outperformed the field](#). Additionally, in *Law.com's* "[Law Grads Hiring Report](#)," the School of Law ranked 14th in the nation in placing its 2017 graduates into fulltime, long-term law jobs that require bar passage and are not funded by schools.

Jones honored with UGA's Alumni Merit Award

The UGA Alumni Association celebrated individuals and organizations that have demonstrated a deep commitment to bettering the university during its 81st Annual Alumni Awards Luncheon. Law school graduate Steve C. Jones (J.D.'87), who is a U.S. District Court Judge for the Northern District of Georgia, received the [2018 Alumni Merit Award](#). This award is given to those who bring recognition and honor back to UGA through outstanding leadership and service.



JONES

Former deputy attorneys general, Regent among honorees at Fourth Annual Alumni/Alumnae Weekend

[Distinguished Service Scroll Awards](#) were given to Sibley Professor in Corporate and Business Law Larry D. Thompson, Board of Regents Vice Chair and Waters Capital Partners CEO Don L. Waters (J.D.'78) and Georgetown Law Distinguished Lecturer Sally Quillian Yates (J.D.'86), and the [Young Alumni/Alumnae of Excellence Award](#) was presented to Cameron D. Hawkins (J.D.'08) during the law school's [Fourth Annual Alumni/Alumnae Weekend](#). Yates also delivered the law school's [36th Edith House Lecture](#). Other [weekend highlights](#) included: a keynote address at an awards ceremony by U.S. District Court Judge Steve Jones, the annual Equal Justice Foundation auction, a Leadership Circle reception for law school

annual donors and a cocktail reception hosted by the law firm Blasingame, Burch, Garrard, & Ashley, P.C.



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World-class scholars

Ringhand receives prestigious Fulbright award

Associate Dean for Academic Affairs & Hosch Professor **Lori A. Ringhand** received a Fulbright Distinguished Chair Award to spend the spring 2019 semester as a visiting professor at the University of Aberdeen in Scotland. Ringhand's Fulbright research will explore the different approaches to campaign finance regulation taken by the United States and the United Kingdom. Additionally, Ringhand has been selected from among UK Fulbright award recipients to present a 2019 Fulbright Gresham College Lecture.



Chapman's article cited in U.S. Supreme Court opinion

Assistant Professor **Nathan S. Chapman**'s article "Due Process As Separation of Powers" (121 *Yale Law Journal* 1672 (2012) (with M. McConnell)) was cited in Justice Clarence Thomas' opinion in the U.S. Supreme Court case *Sessions v. Dimaya*.

West publishes article in the California Law Review

Brumby Distinguished Professor in First Amendment Law **Sonja R. West** published "Favoring the Press" in 106 *California Law Review* 91 (2018).

Beck publishes article in the Notre Dame Law Review

Marshall Chair of Constitutional Law **Randy Beck** published "Qui Tam Litigation Against Government Officials: Constitutional Implications of a Neglected History" in 93 *Notre Dame Law Review* 1235 (2018).

Student Spotlight: Second-year student Lindsey Bunting

Class Notes and In Memoriam

Upcoming events include: **Law School Commencement (5/19)**, **28th Annual School of Law Homecoming BBQ tickets go on sale (7/2)**, **Women's Leadership in Academia Conference (7/19-20)**, **On Campus Interviews: Early Interview Week (8/7-10)**, **School of Law Fall Semester Classes start (8/14)**, **28th Annual School of Law Homecoming BBQ (10/6)** and **Fall Board of Visitors Meeting (11/9)**.

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