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ACS

The American Constitution Society of the Georgia School of Law is a nonpartisan society whose mission is to harness the values of compassion and respect for each individual, and to incorporate them into American law and politics, in order to build a stronger and more decent national community. The Society's role is to influence the debate on the law, both in its interpretation and its creation, and to restore these traditional American values to their rightful place in legal and political debate. Our goal is a rekindling of the hope that by reason and decency, we can create an America that is better for us all. Website

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ALSA

The mission of the Asian Law Students Association is to provide social and academic support to Asian/Asian-American students at the University of Georgia School of Law during their time in law school and beyond. Through various events and activities, we strive to promote cultural awareness and facilitate exchange between students of different cultural backgrounds within the law school. While ALSA is an organization designed for Asian/Asian-American law students, we welcome anyone who is interested in joining, regardless of race, nationality, or cultural background. Website

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BLS

The Business Law Society was formed, and continues to exist, to help bring together law students interested in corporate and business law for educational and professional development, including the sponsoring of events involving corporate and business law firms and organizations.

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CLS

The University of Georgia chapter of Christian Legal Society is a group of sinners committed to loving, serving, and proclaiming Jesus Christ through the practice of law. CLS provides many opportunities for fun-filled fellowship, Christ-centered charity, and thought-provoking discussion on what it means to be a Christian and a lawyer. All law students are welcome at CLS.

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BLSA

The purpose of this organization shall be to utilize the collective resources available to the chapter, including members, alumni, and friends (person/organization who favors and/or supports the organization), for the creation and maintenance of a Pre-law school environment that is conducive to Black students with intentions to study law.

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DA

The Dean's Ambassadors shall be focused first toward the promotion of the University of Georgia School of Law in the public arena and second toward the provision of maximum service for the betterment of the University of Georgia School of Law. Website | Blog

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Education Law

Assist members interested in Education Law as they seek professional development within the Law School, the community, the state, and throughout the nation. Provide a body in which students interested in Education Law can discover, debate, and design policies affecting both the education system and the study of the rules which govern it. Establish and promote the University of Georgia School of Law as an institution of note in the field of education law, by producing scholarship, participating in academic events in other schools, and hosting the same.

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ELA

The purpose/mission of the Environmental Law Association (ELA) is to provide a forum for those interested in environmental law. ELA presents the annual Red Clay Conference, sponsors speakers, and conducts community beautification efforts. Website

President: Jim Xiao, fanxiao@uga.edu
EJF

EJF's primary objective is to provide fellowships for students who volunteer for public interest organizations during the summer. These fellowships enable students to work in positions that would not otherwise be funded. EJF fellowship recipients receive practical experience in public interest law and provide organizations with valuable and necessary resources to expand their services.

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FS

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GALP

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GSICL

The purposes of the Society are: to promote the study of Public and Private International Law; to promote the comparative study of the legal systems of the world; to promote greater understanding of international organizations and institutions; to educate ourselves and others in these areas of knowledge through participation in and sponsorship of discussion, speaker programs, and other projects designed to stimulate and advance these goals.

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GTLA

The Student Chapter for the Georgia Trial Lawyers Association is dedicated to providing an opportunity for students interested in a career as trial lawyers to begin the process of learning about those aspects of the legal profession related to representing plaintiffs in civil litigation. Additionally, SGTLA will provide its members opportunities to attend specialized educational programs, to network with practicing plaintiff's lawyers, and to work in conjunction with the GTLA to strengthen and preserve Georgia's Civil Justice System and the rights of Georgia's citizens and consumers to access to the courts to resolve tort claims.

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HL

The Health Law Society will provide UGA Law School students with the opportunity to be involved with and exposed to the growing field of health and biomedical law. The goals of the Health Law Society are to enhance law students' knowledge of current health and biomedical law issues; promote and facilitate students' careers in health and biomedical law; and provide a forum for UGA Law School students to share ideas, knowledge and experience with others interested in health and biomedical law.

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HLSA

The purpose of the Hispanic Law Students Association (HLSA) shall be to serve as a conduit for a collective Latino/Latina law student voice. We are a non-partisan organization driven by a progressive agenda that protects and advances the civil rights of Latinos and Latinas in law school and in our respective communities. HLSA is dedicated to promoting and sustaining the academic success of Latino and Latina law students. HLSA acknowledges the diversity within the Latin American community, and recognizes that our civil rights are furthered when we build coalitions with other communities.

President: Imani Carter, iiic015@uga.edu
IPLS

The Intellectual Property Law Society (IPLS) serves the needs of law students that are interested in Patent, Trademark, Copyright, Trade Secrets, and Publicity areas of the law. The IPLS strives to enable student-members to stay informed of current issues and advancements in the law by organizing panels, lectures, social events, and informational meetings with law firms. IPLS membership is open to all UGA Law students interested in this exciting and growing field.

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JLSA

The Jewish Law Student Association (JLSA) at the University of Georgia School of Law is an organization designed for Jewish students, but open to all students regardless of their religion, nationality, or race. JLSA provides many opportunities to its members for entertainment, education and networking. During the school year, JLSA hosts numerous social events including happy hours, and student mixers with other Jewish graduate students from around the state of Georgia. JLSA also hosts a bi-weekly lunch & learn series with Chabad of Athens, Jewish holiday celebrations, lectures and seminars, and opportunities to meet and mingle with Jewish faculty.

President: Dov Preminger, dov@uga.edu
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J. Reuben CLS

We affirm the strength brought to the law by a lawyer's personal religious conviction. We strive through public service and professional excellence to promote fairness and virtue founded upon the rule of law.

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LELA

Provides a forum to discuss issues related to the area of labor and employment law and network among students and practitioners interested in this practice area.

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LUPO

This organization provides a forum for the discussion of issues surrounding land use law, urban planning, and real estate development. The organization is committed to an inter-disciplinary forum that involves thoughts and ideas from inside and outside Georgia Law.

Website

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LD

Law Democrats is a student organization that is dedicated to fostering support among Democrats at the law school. We volunteer with both local and national elections. Law Democrats also occasionally works with Young Democrats on volunteering initiatives. [Website]

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LR

The Law Republicans exists to serve the conservative, moderate, and libertarian members of the law school community. Additionally, the organization provides grassroots support for Republicans running for local, state, and national offices.

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LSRJ

Law Students for Reproductive Justice: Law Students for Reproductive Justice is a national nonprofit network of law students and lawyers. Our organization educates, organizes, and supports 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. We welcome all different opinions and views.

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**OWLS**

Provides guidance, support, networking, and social events to those students at the law school who self-identify as non-traditional students.

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**OUTLaws**

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**PAD**

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PILC

Public interest students at Georgia Law founded the Public Interest Law Council (PILC) this year to increase collaboration among student groups and to expand public interest career programming. It is also PILC's mission to broaden the concept of public interest work at Georgia Law. The organization is a council of student organizations who support public interest careers and promote pro bono work from within the private sector. Website

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SELS

Hosts speakers, sponsors, and field trips concerning legal issues in the sports and entertainment industries.

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SL

Street Law UGA conducts community outreach geared primarily towards familiarizing youth about prevalent legal concerns and basic rights. Website

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SALDF

This group of animal lovers works to increase awareness about animal rights issues both on-campus and in the greater community. Because this is a law school affiliated organization, our legal knowledge and desire for change will work towards improvements in how both federal and state legislatures view animals. We are a student chapter of the national group the Animal Legal Defense Fund. Website

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WLSA

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WIPI

Working in the Public Interest is a student-run conference in its fourth year at the UGA School of Law. Every spring public interest law students bring practitioners from around the world to Athens, Georgia to speak about pressing issues of the day in public interest law. The purpose of WIPI is to create a forum where public interest law students can bring the issues that matter to them to the table. Furthermore, organizers and attendees of the conference are given great networking opportunities with professionals in various fields of public interest law. Website

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