Appellate clinic expands to Ninth Circuit

Last year, the law school’s Appellate Litigation Clinic, under the direction of Thomas V. Burch, increased its reach and took on a record-number of cases.

The clinic, which has primarily worked on cases in the U.S. Courts of Appeals for the Fourth, Eleventh and D.C. Circuits, expanded for the first time to the Ninth Circuit. Students currently have oral arguments scheduled or have already completed oral arguments in each of these courts.

The clinic also took on seven new cases this year, more than the three to four that it has historically taken. With an increase in caseload, the clinic enrolled more participants, giving more law students more real-world practice opportunities.

Additionally, the clinic welcomed Cary Berkeley Kaye in January as its counselor-in-residence for a one-year term to assist Burch and the students with the increased caseload. Kaye previously served as a Fellow in the Appellate Litigation Clinic at Georgetown University Law Center, and she earned her law degree from Yale University.