



DUKE LAW SCHOOL'S 9TH ANNUAL
PUBLIC INTEREST RETREAT
**LAWYERS AS SOCIAL ARCHITECTS:
BUILDING A BETTER TOMORROW**
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 2 TO SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 2007

AGENDA

Friday, February 2:

- 3:00 - 5:00 pm **Arrival & Check In**
Optional recreational activities (hiking, canoeing, basketball, volleyball, etc.)
Emily Jura
- 4:00 pm **Martial Arts Class**
Roy Guy-Green
- 5:00 pm **Welcoming Remarks** - Marjorie Mulhall & Hannah Polikov, Retreat Co-Chairs
Getting Settled - Kim Burrucker
Opening Activities: Letting Go of Law School Worries and Group Questions
Jeff Ward & Matt Wolfe
YOUTH MEETING BUILDING, UPPER LEVEL
- 6:00 pm **Dinner** - Please sit with your group members from your opening activity. Each of our speakers will be assigned to one of tables.
- 7:00 pm **Intro to Friday Evening Activities** - Hannah Polikov & Marjorie Mulhall
Highlight of Saturday Speakers and Introduction of Keynote Speaker
Carol Spruill
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- Keynote Address** - Sarah Buel is a national leader in the fight against domestic violence and helped create the Violence Against Women Act in 1994. As a student at Harvard Law, she founded the Harvard Women's Advocacy Project, the Harvard Women's Prison Project and the Harvard Children and Family Rights Project. She was a prosecutor in Massachusetts where she established award-winning domestic violence and juvenile programs. Now, she is Clinical Professor of Law at the University of Texas where she heads a domestic violence clinic.
- 8:30 pm **Group Photo**
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- 8:45 pm **Group Bonding/Ice Breakers**
Ultimate Bingo - Susan Pourciau
Too Much Information - Amanda Brown & Tommy Thekkekandam
YOUTH MEETING BUILDING, UPPER LEVEL
- 9:45 pm **Party Time!** - Featuring DJ Dav Lipps
YOUTH MEETING BUILDING, UPPER LEVEL

Saturday, February 3:

8:00 am **Checkout and Breakfast** - Pack your bags, turn in your key, and head to the Dining Hall to sit at a table with the speaker of your choice.

DINING HALL

8:45 am **"My Path"** - Alumni speakers share their stories.

THE "PIT" OF THE YOUTH MEETING BUILDING, LOWER LEVEL

10:15 am **Tools & Materials to Build Your Career**

Introduced by Eric Lashner

Session 1

Alumni speakers and audience members break into groups to discuss specific tools to aid in the pursuit of a public interest career, and specific materials (areas of law) in which our alumni speakers specialize.

Keith Ernst '96 Tool: **Living on a Public Interest Salary**
Material: **Predatory Lending Prevention**

Emily Marroquin '04 Tool: **Pursuing Post-grad Fellowships**
Material: **Death Penalty Advocacy**

James Smith '94 Tool: **Public Service Through the Military/JAG**
Material: **Criminal Defense**

Mae Wu '01 Tool: **Deciding How and When to Leave a Law Firm**
Material: **Environmental Law/Advocacy**

Wes Powell '94 Tool: **Pursuing Pro Bono Work at a Law Firm**
Material: **LGBT and Guantanamo Defense Advocacy**

Sarah Buel Tool: **Participating in National Movements**
(Keynote Speaker) Material: **Domestic Violence Prevention**

10:45 am **Snack Break**

11:00 am **Tools & Materials to Build Your Career**

Session 2

Same topics (tools/materials) as Session 1. Please select a second speaker's group in which to participate.

11:30 am **Peer Workshops** - 2L & 3L students will lead workshops on a variety of topics.
Jenn Ma & Jana Gogolin

Top 10 Secrets of Durham	Discover the best places to eat, hike, shop and hang out in and around Durham.	Amanda Brown
Loan Repayment Assistance Program (LRAP)	Worried about being strapped with debt if you choose to pursue a public interest career? Learn about the mechanics of Duke's loan repayment assistance program (LRAP).	Leah Nichols
Saving Your Soul as a Summer Associate	Come discuss how to balance being a summer associate with public interest motivations.	Eric Lashner

Values Challenge!	What do you want your future to look like? What's really important to you? Many of us ask ourselves these questions, but here's your chance to challenge your values, better understand your priorities, and move toward your career with a better sense of yourself.	Jeff Ward
Capstones, Clinics, and Credits	Bored of lecture classes? Come hear about capstones, clinics and other non-traditional ways to earn credit towards your JD.	Amy Curry
Taking Public Interest Classes Outside the Law School	Find out the process and options for taking non-law school public interest classes at Duke and UNC.	Hannah Polikov
Time Management		Matt Wolfe

12:00 pm **Lunch** - Sit at a table with a speaker or peer workshop presenter of your choice.

DINING HALL

1:00 pm **Ritual Worries Burning and Letter Writing Session** - Lisa Bolotin

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1:30 pm **Ask a 3L** - 3Ls share their wisdom regarding classes, professors, and other aspects of life at Duke Law.

Amy Curry & Erin Gerrard Ching

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2:00 pm **Memory Rocks and Evaluation Forms** - Susan Pourciau

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Closing Remarks

Kim Burrucker, Carol Spruill, Marjorie Mulhall, & Hannah Polikov

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Throughout:

Law School faculty/administrators will be present and available to talk with attendees. Those attending are Tia Barnes, Director of Public Interest and JD Advising; Kim Burrucker, Director of Public Interest and Pro Bono; Associate Dean Bruce Elvin; Associate Dean Jill Miller; John Spencer, Director of Student Activities; and Associate Dean Carol Spruill.

We are fortunate to be joined this year by students from other NC law schools including NCCU, Campbell, and Elon. The presence of these students provides a great opportunity to share information about public interest efforts at our school and theirs. Please join in making them welcome!

Retreat Planning Committee:

Tia Barnes, Lisa Bolotin, Amanda Brown, Kim Burrucker, Erin Gerrard Ching, Amy Curry, Jana Gogolin, Emily Jura, Eric Lashner, Jenn Ma, Marjorie Mulhall, Hannah Polikov, Susan Pourciau, Carol Spruill, Tommy Thekkekandam, Jeff Ward, and Matt Wolfe

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