ASU Law brings together brilliant faculty, dedicated staff, and an engaged network of alumni and community members to deliver one of the most comprehensive and personalized legal education experiences in the country. This includes the creation of new centers and programs that provide its students with lessons and practical experience from experts in various fields of law, like David Gelfand, a leading antitrust lawyer and recently appointed ASU Law professor of practice and the Sims Chair in Competition Law and Regulation. Joe Sims, an ASU Law alumnus and nationally renowned antitrust lawyer, established the chair.

Hear more from Gelfand in this video where he talks about why antitrust law is so important and what he plans to bring to ASU Law students and the broader legal community in his new role.

You can also learn more from Gelfand’s spring panel discussion, Reining in the tech industry: Antitrust, regulation or both?, and stay tuned for upcoming Antitrust Program events this fall.

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ASU Law leadership team updates

In May, Professor Laura Coordes joined the ASU Law leadership team as the new associate dean of faculty. In this role, Coordes will be responsible for assisting on a number of faculty development fronts including faculty annual...
reviews. She started at ASU Law as a visiting assistant professor of law in 2013 and became an associate professor of law in 2015 (tenured 2020).

In addition to Coordes’ appointment, Andrew Jaynes was named the assistant dean of student affairs. In this role, Jaynes will oversee career services, student services, and academic support. Most recently, he was the assistant dean of admissions and financial aid for five years, and before that, he was the executive director of ASU Law’s Center for Law & Global Affairs for four years.

Lauren Burkhart succeeds Jaynes as the new assistant dean of admissions and financial aid. Before moving into admissions, she was ASU Law’s executive director of centers and programs, overseeing the law college’s more than 15 centers, programs and locations.

Congratulations!

**ASU Law professor awarded Berlin Prize Fellowship**

This fall semester, Joshua Sellers, an associate professor at ASU Law, will research the relationship between election law doctrines, electoral structures, policies and practices, and racial equality. Sellers was selected for a Berlin Prize at the American Academy in Berlin, a private, independent, nonprofit institute for advanced study.

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**Student Highlights**

**ASU Online health program sets alum up for success**

Richard Borden chose to study health care compliance and regulations at the Edson College of

**Gustaf Vanderdonck represents Arizona at the Western Governors’ Leadership Institute**

Gustaf Vanderdonck, a rising 3L at ASU Law, was selected by the
Nursing and Health Innovation, a program that prepares students to take the Certification in Health Care Compliance exam. Now he’s working toward another goal: earning a master’s degree at ASU Law and continuing to put himself in a position to pursue a compliance role in the future.

Western Governors’ Foundation to represent the State of Arizona at the Western Governors’ Leadership Institute in July. As a delegate, Gustaf, along with 21 other exceptional young leaders, will get to learn directly from governors and other influential leaders in the west.

Faculty in the News

When Can the Government Forcibly Medicate a Defendant?

Slate cited a study written by Professor Susan McMahon and spoke to her about involuntary medication of criminal defendants.

State Judges Are in Spotlight After SCOTUS Overrules Roe v. Wade

Stefanie Lindquist spoke to the Wall Street Journal about the U.S. Constitution and individual rights after the Roe v. Wade ruling.

U.S. Supreme Court expands state power over Native American tribes

SCOTUS expanded state power over Native American tribes, and Professor Stacy Leeds explained to Reuters that the ruling upended the entire field of federal Indian law.

Experts: US Court fractures decades of Native American law

Professor Robert Miller spoke to the Associated Press about the U.S. Supreme Court ruling and the expansion of state authority to prosecute crimes on Native land.
Health Law expert discusses the future of Arizona abortion laws

ASU Law Research Scholar Jennifer Piatt shares her expertise on the current status of abortion law in Arizona with the TODAY Show, discussing the potential litigation that will determine which laws will take precedent.

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Opinion: An emergency declaration on abortion rights could do more harm than good

In the wake of the SCOTUS decision to roll back federal constitutional protections for abortion rights, Professor James Hodge says the ruling constitutes a public health emergency in an op-ed for The Washington Post.

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- Appeals Court Undercuts Agency Enforcement in SEC Fraud Case
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- Supreme Court Ruling on Death Row Cases 'Byproduct of Arizona's Failed System'
  - Featuring: Dale Baich, Phoenix New Times

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- Workplace Bias Cases Test What Makes a Valid Discrimination Claim
  - Featuring: Michael Selmi, Bloomberg Law
- State High Court Upholds Constitutionality of Keeping Jurors Anonymous During Voir Dire
  - Featuring: Stefanie Lindquist, ABA Journal
- Supreme Court Near the End of Term Amid Conflict and Discord
  - Featuring: Stefanie Lindquist, The Conversation
- Time to ACT UP in the wake of Supreme Court's decision on abortion
  - Featuring: Valena Beety, San Francisco Examiner
- Why Indian Country won't become safe harbors for abortions
  - Featuring: Stacy Leeds, Indian Country Today
- Oklahoma Wins Second High Court Round on Tribal Prosecutions
  - Featuring: Stacy Leeds, Bloomberg Law
- How Arizona’s constitutional right to privacy could impact abortion access
  - Featuring: Stefanie Lindquist, Axios
- French-language school hopes to open next year for students in Terrebonne and Lafourche
  - Featuring: Patty Ferguson-Bohnee, Arizona Republic
- Indigenous tribes push back on calls to open abortion clinics on federal lands
  - Featuring: Stacy Leeds, Axios

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- Tribal law experts fear the effects of the Supreme Court on jurisdiction and sovereignty
  - Featuring: Robert Miller, Arizona Republic
- The Supreme Court wrap-up
  - Featuring: Paul Bender, Arizona Horizon
- New Arizona law bans filming police within 8 feet
  - Featuring: Gregg Leslie, KJZZ
- Patchwork of abortion laws presents a challenge for medical marketers
  - Featuring: Jennifer Piatt, Medical Marketing and Media
- Brittney Griner: What’s next after WNBA star pleads guilty in Russia?
  - Featuring: Valena Beety, Yahoo News
- States gain control over Native American crime
  - Featuring: Stacy Leeds, Arizona PBS
- Attorney General files to reinstate Arizona abortion ban
  - Featuring: Jennifer Piatt, Arizona PBS
- Showing Off or Making a Point? Spate of Self-Concurrences Catch Eye of Legal Community
  - Featuring: Stefanie Lindquist, Law.com
ASU Law alum is Arizona's first Muslim judge to take the bench

ASU Law alum Laila Ikram, the first judge in the history of Arizona to be Muslim, was sworn in June at the Downtown Justice Center in Phoenix. Ikram was sworn in as a judge pro tempore by Judge Enrique Medina Ochoa, the justice of the peace for the Downtown Justice Court Precinct. Medina Ochoa sponsored Ikram for this position.

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Events

The 11th Annual ASU-Arkfeld eDiscovery, Law and Technology Conference

October 11 - 12 | BCLS Building

Join us for the 11th Annual ASU-Arkfeld eDiscovery, Law and Technology Conference at the Sandra Day O'Connor College of Law on Tuesday, October 11 and Wednesday, October 12, 2022. This highly engaging conference focuses on the practical and emerging issues affecting the practice of law in the digital age.

Learn more
ASU Law is excited to announce that our 2022 Gold 'n Gavel Reception and Fundraiser will be held on Friday, November 18, 2022 at 6 p.m. at the Beus Center for Law and Society. Please save the date for this wonderful opportunity to celebrate ASU Law's many achievements, all while raising money for our students and programs.

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