



[Leonel Fuentes Vargas '15 Accepts Post Bar Clerkship at the SD Public Defender's Office](#)

Marine veteran Leonel Fuentes Vargas '15 secured a position at the San Diego Office of the Public Defender as a post bar law clerk. The San Diego Public Defender's Office offers one of the most competitive and coveted post-bar Clerkship of its kind in the nation. The program affords a select group of recent graduates the opportunity to experience the rigorous yet highly rewarding practice of a Deputy Public Defender. Fuentes applied for the paid position along with approximately 400 other applicants and was selected as 1 of the 11 post bar clerks. The program begins two weeks after the July 2015 California Bar Examination.



[Criminal Defense Attorney Laura Shaver '11 Provides Clients with Justice through Advocacy](#)

As a criminal defense attorney with the Mazzone Law Firm, Laura Shaver '11 strives to provide clients with justice through advocacy. "I've always loved a good fight," Shaver said to explain what drew her to criminal defense work. "What better fight than to fight for someone's freedom? Freedom and the presumption of innocence are rights every human being should enjoy.



[Las Vegas Alumni Reception](#)

On Thursday, May 7, 2015, Dean Thomas Guernsey, Director of Alumni Relations Stephanie Marquez, Director of Admissions Tim Spearman and Director of Career Services Jeffrey Chinn joined Vegas alums and several prospective students at the Las Vegas Alumni Reception at a venue overlooking the Las Vegas Strip. Marcus Threats '13 and the Thomas Jefferson Alumni Association co-sponsored the event.



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The second round of the Thomas Jefferson School of Law Bar Study Scholarships has been awarded. The scholarship is designed to provide financial support for one or more graduates, who will be studying to take the California Bar for the first time. The awards are funded by contributions from faculty, staff, alumni, and student contributions, which are tax deductible. The amount awarded thus depends on the generosity of the law school's various constituents. The scholarship is designed to enable the successful applicant(s) to devote more time to pre-bar study. The successful applicants will demonstrate financial need and academic achievement.

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