



ECHOLS, MARSHA

On January 8, 2011, Professor Echols' letter to the Editor about the importance of farmers to food security and alleviating food price spikes was published by *The Financial Times* next to an editorial titled "Farmers Needed".

On January 21, 2011, Professor Echols gave the Keynote Address at the symposium sponsored by the *Northeastern University Law Journal*. The symposium topic was "From Seed to Stomach: Food and Agricultural Law". Her remarks were titled "The Culture of Food: Quality and Safety in an International Context".

GAVIL, ANDREW

Along with his co-authors, Professor Gavil just completed a special Winter 2010 Supplement to his Casebook, *Antitrust Law in Perspective*, that analyzes the 2010 Horizontal Merger Guidelines jointly issued in August by the U.S. Department of Justice and Federal Trade Commission. The new Guidelines are the most significant revisions to the Guidelines since 1992.

Professor Gavil was also quoted by Bloomberg News in an article discussing Google's still pending acquisition of ITA on January 14, 2011, see <http://www.bloomberg.com/news/2011-01-13/google-s-purchase-of-ita-software-may-be-challenged-by-u-s.html>, and again on January 21st in an article discussing the FTC's reliance on Section 5 of the FTC Act in its prosecution of Intel.



MABRY, CYNTHIA

On January 26, 2011, Professor Mabry presented on "Secrets and Separating Siblings" as a Studio Guest for the TALK OF THE NATION with Neal Conan, NPR, Washington, D.C. (transcript and audio available at <http://www.npr.org/2011/01/26/133246499/Reunited-Long-Lost-Siblings-Face-Emotional-Journey>).

Professor Mabry has also published *The Browning of America: Multicultural and Bicultural Families in Conflict*, 16 **WASH. & LEE U. J. CIV. RTS. & SOC. JUST.** 413-43 (2010) and *Fostering Connections to Success and Increasing Adoptions Act: The Most Significant Federal Reform for Abused and Neglected Children in More Than a Decade*, CLE Materials, Practicing Law Institute, Course Handbook Series, Number C-225, Adoption Law Institute 2010 at 171-93 (December 2010).



NICHOLS, CHERYL

Professor Nichols organized and participated in an American Bar Association Teleconference about the impact of Section 342 of the Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act of 2010 (the Dodd-Frank Act) held on December 7, 2010. The teleconference was sponsored by the ABA Section on International Law's International Securities and Capital Markets Committee and its Diversity Committee and held in cooperation with Howard University School of Law and the National Association of Securities Professionals (NASP).

Dodd-Frank 342 is an important step in promoting diversity in the financial services industry in the U.S. and internationally. Section 342 requires federal government agencies involved in the financial services industry, such as the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, to establish an Office of Minority and Women Inclusion (OMWI) no later than January 21, 2011.

Ronald Crawford, Chief Counsel for Diversity at the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, moderated a discussion about the responsibilities of the new offices and how they affect entities regulated by the affected agencies. The panelists were: **Professor Cheryl Nichols, Howard University School of Law**, Pamela J Bethel, Partner, The O'Riordan Bethel Law Firm, LLP; M. Michael Collins, Office of Diversity and Economic Opportunity, FDIC; Rodney K. Strong, Chairman, Griffin & Strong, P.C.; Donna Sims Wilson, President, M.R. Beal & Company.



NOLAN, LAURENCE

Professor Nolan participated in the Symposium on Belonging, the Family, and Family Law on Friday, January 28, 2011, at the J. Reuben Clark Law School at Brigham Young University, Provo, Utah. The title of the paper was "*Belonging and Aging Well and the Effects of Ageism.*"



TASLITZ, ANDREW

Professor Andrew E. Taslitz published three articles: (1) *What is Probable Cause, and Why Should We Care?: The Costs, Benefits, and Meaning of Individualized Suspicion*, 73 **LAW & CONTEMP. PROBS.** 145 (2010) (Duke University Law School's peer-reviewed publication); (2) *The Death of Probable Cause*, 73 **LAW & CONTEMP. PROBS.** (2010); and (3) *The Happy Fourth Amendment: History and the People's Quest for Constitutional Meaning*, 43 **TEX. TECH L. REV.** 137 (2010).

Professor Taslitz also spoke at Indiana University-Bloomington School of Law on "The Politics of Innocence Reform Concerning Police Interrogation Techniques"; chaired a meeting of the Editorial Board of the publication, **Criminal Justice**; accepted an invitation to participate next fall in a symposium at the University of Iowa commemorating the 25th anniversary of the *Batson* case, which sought to prevent race discrimination in jury selection; and spoke on getting good recommendation letters at a workshop on applying for judicial clerkships at the Howard University School of Law.



KURT L. SCHMOKE
DEAN OF THE LAW SCHOOL

Dean Schmoke accepted the invitation of the County Executive of Prince Georges' County, Rushern Baker, to chair an advisory committee on Accountability, Compliance and Integrity. The goal of the committee is to make recommendations to the executive and the county council on ways to help the county provide transparent, open and accountable services to its citizens. The committee held its first public meeting on January 29, 2011 and hopes to complete its work by the first week in May.