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Associate Deans & Clinical Program Directors Workshop

Reexamining the Role of Clinical and Experiential
Leaders in Challenging and Dynamic Times

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Dear Colleagues,

I am glad and so grateful to be convening with you all in Baltimore this week. In recent months, governmental actions have imperiled our freedom of speech, the independence and impartiality of our courts, the right to counsel, and the legal and educational institutions that are at the heart of our profession. These threats to the rule of law make it even more vital that we come together, now, in essential conversations about how we prepare to meet these uncertainties with action.

Your work is at the forefront of shaping legal education. Our students need the professional formation you provide now more than ever—not just the critical legal skills you teach but also the values of public service and equal justice you instill. Because of you, law schools are able to play a role in helping to bridge the justice gap. We know the separation between those who do and do not have access to legal services is likely to continue widening, and our clinics and experiential programs will be called upon more and more in the coming years. Your efforts are seen, appreciated, and supported by AALS and by deans and law schools across the country.

I extend my deepest thanks to the members of the Planning Committee, whose hard work has resulted in an outstanding program of more than 100 sessions, working groups, community gatherings, poster presentations, workshops, and more. I also extend a special welcome to the associate deans and clinical program directors attending the preconference workshop.

Finally, as we look to a future in which we engage in vital work to restore our nation's commitment to the rule of law, I encourage you to lean on one of the particular strengths of this community of clinical faculty: your ability to care for one another. Please continue to support each other, and AALS will be here to support you.

With my deepest gratitude and thanks,

Kellye Testy
AALS Executive Director & CEO

WELCOME TO THE AALS ASSOCIATE DEANS AND CLINICAL PROGRAM DIRECTORS WORKSHOP: **REEXAMINING THE ROLE OF CLINICAL AND EXPERIENTIAL LEADERS IN CHALLENGING AND DYNAMIC TIMES**

In this workshop, leaders of clinical and experiential programs will come together to reexamine and reflect on this moment in clinical and experiential legal education. We will have opportunities to consider external factors that impact our work, including ABA standards affecting clinical programs and faculty, and shifts in federal, state, and local political and legal landscapes that complicate our work with students, clients, and communities. How can we as Associate Deans and Clinical Program Directors leverage opportunities that may arise and meet challenges presented by these factors? The workshop will include time to share insights on issues such as:

- Protecting against political interference and outside influence
- Navigating tensions inherent in leadership roles
- Inspiring and supporting our clinicians in the face of challenges
- Cultivating the next generation of experiential leaders

This is a challenging time to be an experiential law program leader. We hope you will find this time together reinvigorating as we meet to discuss the challenges and opportunities of this moment.

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Friday, April 25, 2025

4 – 7 pm

AALS Registration

Harborside Registration, Fourth Floor

Saturday, April 26, 2025

7:30 am – 7 pm

AALS Registration

Harborside Registration, Fourth Floor

7:30 – 8:45 am

Coffee with Colleagues

Harborside Foyer, Fourth Floor

Come early to grab a cup of coffee and catch up with old friends and meet new ones!

8:45 – 9 am

Welcome and Introduction

Harborside B, Fourth Floor

Alena M. Allen, Louisiana State University, Paul M.

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Sarah R. Boonin, Suffolk University Law School

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9 – 10:30 am

ABA Standards Workshop: Opportunities to Strengthen and Expand Clinical Programs Under New and Emerging ABA Standards

Harborside B, Fourth Floor

This two-part in-depth workshop will provide an opportunity for program leaders to understand the nuances of and explore opportunities to enrich our programs in light of four recent and dynamic ABA Standards.

Speakers:

Jeffrey R. Baker, Pepperdine University Caruso School of Law

Sarah R. Boonin, Suffolk University Law School

Julie Dahlstrom, Boston University Law School

Nakia C. Davis, North Carolina Central University School of Law

Tameka Lester, Georgia State University College of Law

Sarah Wolking, University of Florida Levin College of Law

Part I – Survey & Panel: The Promise and Strategies for New ABA Standards

Presenters will first provide a survey of four relevant new and evolving ABA Standards: Standard 303(b)(3) on development of a professional identity; Standard 303(c) on bias, cross-cultural competency, and racism; Standard 303(a)(3) the six-credit experiential learning requirement; and Standard 405(c) on faculty status.

The next segment will be a moderated discussion around each of these four ABA standards, focusing on organization and advocacy to advance clinical programs, courses, curricula, faculty, and staff under the standards. Panelists and participants will identify risks and challenges, but focus on opportunities, strategies, and tactics for using each standard and the requirements they impose to strengthen and centralize clinics and externships in the curriculum and student experience. Panelists will describe initiatives at their own schools, and this hour will include ample time for questions and ideas from the panel and participants.

10:30 – 10:45 am

Coffee with Colleagues

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10:45 am – 12:15 pm

ABA Standards Workshop Continued

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Part II: Facilitated Small Group Breakouts & Report-Back

Participants will select breakout groups to further discuss and explore specific situations from their contexts and schools related to the implementation of the ABA Standards. Participants will have the opportunity to develop concrete ideas and design steps to make fruitful use of the new standards in their programs and schools. Participants will come back together to share ideas.

12:15 – 1:45 pm

Lunch (informal)

Harborside A, Fourth Floor

1:45 – 3:15 pm

Small Group Discussions: Leadership in Challenging Times

Harborside B, Fourth Floor

Attendees will participate in a small discussion group focused on a pressing issue in experiential leadership such as:

- Balancing programmatic autonomy with uniformity in implementing standards and best practices
- Straddling tensions & shifting loyalties in leadership roles
- Exploring career paths in leadership
- Protecting against political interference and outside influence
- Sustaining ourselves in leadership & building leadership legacy

Facilitators:

Norrinda Brown, Fordham University School of Law

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Joy Radice, University of Tennessee College of Law

Sarah Shalf, University of Virginia School of Law

Robin Walker Sterling, Northwestern Pritzker School of Law

3:15 – 3:30 pm

Coffee with Colleagues

Harborside Foyer, Fourth Floor

3:30 – 4:30 pm

Leadership Panel: Leveraging Opportunity in Dynamic Times

Harborside B, Fourth Floor

A diverse group of leaders in experiential education will share their insights about effective leadership in the context of rapidly evolving community and institutional needs and norms. How do experiential leaders help focus and engage their programs in urgent and meaningful work? How do we inspire and support our faculties? How do we find meaning in our administrative work and nourish the next generation of experiential leaders?

Speakers:

Kendall L. Kerew, Georgia State University College of Law

Brenda V. Smith, American University, Washington College of Law

Kele Stewart, University of Miami School of Law

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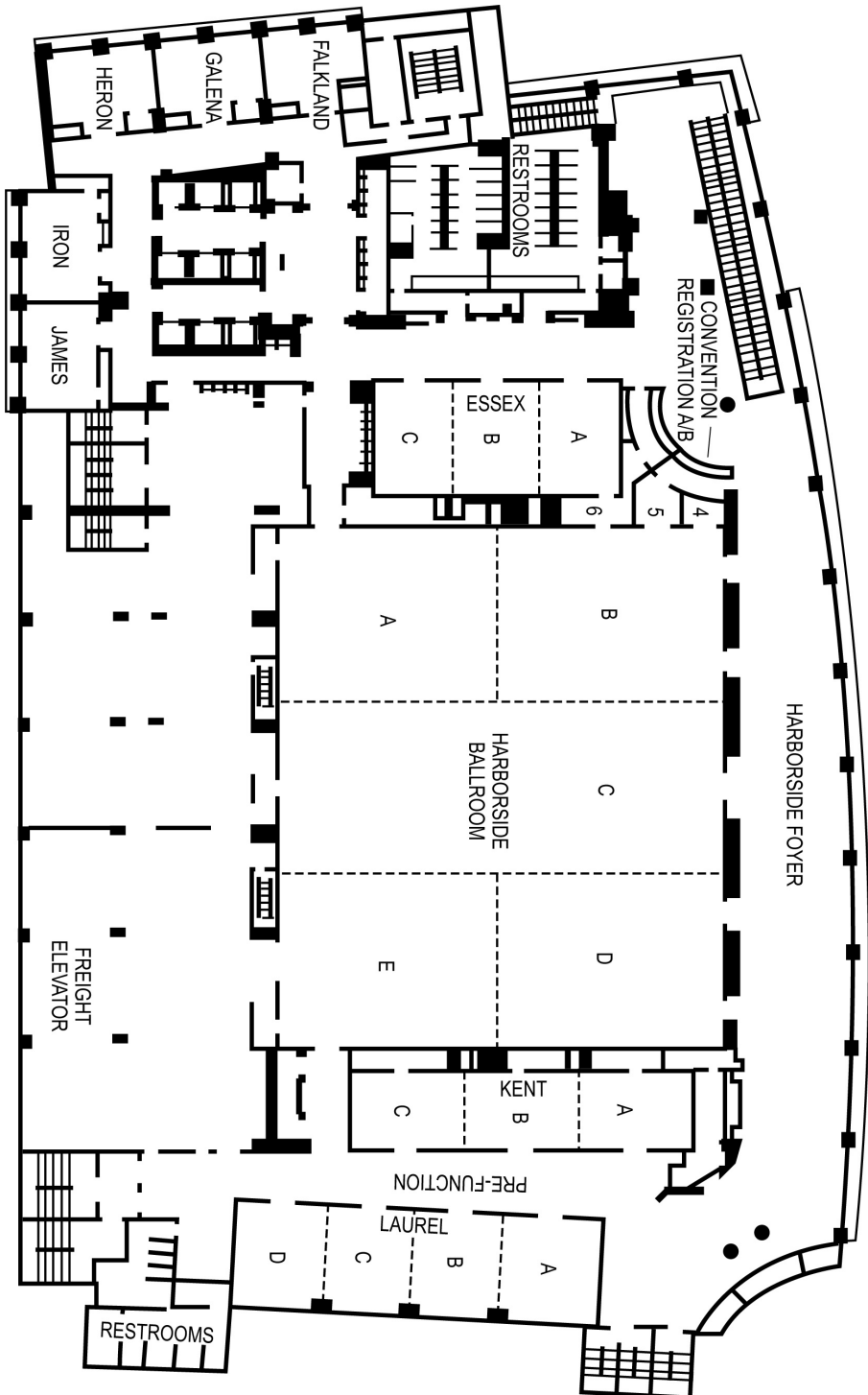
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