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# WFU's First Panamanian S.J.D. Candidate

Mr. Joel De Leon Quintero, from Panama City, Panama, received his first law degree from the University of Panama, where he graduated with honors. He later earned a postgraduate degree in Higher Education from the Specialized University of the Americas in 2005 and returned to the University of Panama to complete a Master's program in Criminology in 2006. Mr. Quintero is a member of the Panamanian Bar Association and has worked for the Panamanian government for twelve years to fight corruption. He was an Executive Assistant to the Accountant Attorney General for whom he was responsible for recovering money stolen by employees and management staff. He was also an Assistant in the Electoral Prosecutor's Office, where he investigated government officials' use of public funds for electoral purposes, and an Assistant in the Anticorruption Prosecutor's Office, where he investigated senior government officials who were suspected of committing fraud or embezzling

public funds.

Mr. Quintero recently earned an LL.M. degree at the University of Notre Dame, where he focused on international human rights law. He has received a scholarship from the National



Bureau of Science, Technology, and Innovation of the Republic of Panama. to earn an S.J.D. degree in the U.S.

Mr. Quintero's dissertation proposal is entitled, "The Effectiveness of Strategies to Combat Corruption as an Institutional response to the Strengthening of Human Rights in Panama." He will work under the supervision of Professor Ronald Wright. After completing an SJD program, Mr. Quintero hopes to become a full-time professor at a university where he can teach and conduct research.

# WFU Law's First Saudi Woman

Hadia Balkhvoor, WFU's first female Saudi Arabian LL.M. student, decided to pursue a career in law to promote the "principles of justice and fairness" and to defend human rights. She enrolled in the College of Economics and Management at King Abdulaziz University, one of the most prestigious universities in Saudi Arabia. After her first year as an undergraduate, King Abdullah allowed Saudi women to study law and King Abdulaziz University was the first university to create a law department for women. Hadia was one of the first women to enroll. She graduated in 2008 with "first honors" as a member of the first class of women to ever earn law degrees in Saudi Arabia. "It was a great time for me and for other students to share the same dream and desire to study law at King Abdulaziz University," Hadia says.

After earning a Bachelor of Laws degree, Hadia decided to pursue an LL.M. degree in the United States, where the legal system is drastically different from that of Saudi Arabia. She explains, "I wanted to challenge myself" and "to compare both systems in my specialty in commercial law." She continues that studying law in the U.S. "is a great opportunity for me."

As Hadia states, "being a female in law is new for the society in Saudi Arabia." She is confident, however, that opportunities await her and other female lawyers in the Kingdom, including practicing law in companies and banks that have female sections, conducting legal research in the government or private sec-

tor, and working in private legal institutions. Hadia's career goal is to teach law and to contribute to the creation of generations of successful women Saudi lawvers. She says, "I feel that I can be of great use in the service and development of my country in the law."



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# The LL.M. Class of 2011

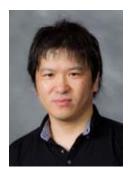
The 2010-2011 LL.M. students hail from nine countries and have proven to be an accomplished, interesting, and diverse group of international students and lawyers.



### Ms. Tsuyoshi Matsumoto

Tokyo, Japan

Mr. Matsumoto earned an LL.B. in 2001 from Kyoto University, one of the most prestigious universities in Japan. He is a member of the Legal Department at Astellas Pharma Inc., one of the top twenty international pharmaceutical companies in the world and the second largest pharmaceutical company in Japan. Mr. Matsumoto specializes in litigation, corporate matters, and alliance management and has managed a transaction of over \$100 million with a US-based company. He was appointed the legal member of a task force to enforce a new law named "the Act on the Protection of Personal Information." Mr. Matsumoto has participated in labor union activities as a financial officer since 2009. He is also a certified business ethics expert and passed the Japan Business Practice Law Examination Mr. Matsumoto received a scholarship from Astellas to study in the



US, to assist the company with its plans to expand its international business and to develop and launch novel drugs on a global basis, particularly in the US.

Ms. Olivett Ihama Norfolk, England

Ms. Ihama graduated from the University of East Anglia Norwich Law School, one of the few universities in England that offers a combined English and American law program. Ms. Ihama spent one year studying law abroad at South Texas College of Law in Houston, where she was named to the Dean's Honors List and completed a two month internship at a private law firm. Ms. Ihama was the recipient of the University of East Anglia Open Scholarship each year of her enrollment and served as the Law School Ambassador. Ms. Ihama was born in Nigeria. She is interested in international human and social rights. One of her career goals is to work for International Justice Missions, a non-profit organization in America that secures justice for victims of slavery, sexual exploitation and other forms of violent oppression.



Mr. Il-Gyun Jung Seoul, Korea

Mr. Jung has served as a Public Prosecutor in Korea for six years and has worked in tax law, corporate law, criminal law, and environmental law. He is currently a Public Prosecutor at Goyang District Prosecutor's Office, where he focuses on intellectual property law and labor crimes. Before entering the field of law, Mr. Jung was a certified public accountant and worked for several accounting firms until he passed the Korean Bar Examination in 2002 (only 1,000 out of 30,000 applicants passed the Exam that year). After passing the Korean Bar Examination, Mr. Jung enrolled in the Judicial Research and Training Institute, in the Korean Supreme Court. Mr. Jung is a member of the Korean Bar Association and began his legal career as a probationary lawyer at Kim, Lee & Part-



ners in 2003, where he reviewed civil and criminal cases. Mr. Jung was selected from 150 prosecutors for a full scholarship from the **Korean Ministry of Justice** to pursue a degree in the US. Mr. Jung plans to study U.S. criminal law and international law to apply what he learns to Korea's legal system. After returning to Korea, Mr. Jung hopes to continue researching issues related to criminal law and international law and to obtain further degrees. He would like to pursue a teaching opportunity.

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### Mr. Sunghee Kim

### Seoul, South Korea

Mr. Kim earned an LL.B. in 2007 from Sungkyunkwan University, where he was the President of the Crime Victim Law Association, Vice President of the Students' Association, and Captain of the Soccer Club. Mr. Kim worked as a Legal Researcher for the Trade Policy Division of the Korean Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade, an office in charge of diplomacy, overseas Korean nationals, and external economic policy. Mr. Kim's work experience also includes five months as an Intern at Gong-gam Pro Bono Foundation and seven months at the Korean Crime Victim Center. This summer, he completed a pro bono internship at the Children's Law Center of Central North Carolina in Winston-Salem. Mr. Kim is in his second year as an LL.M. student at Wake Forest and is focusing his studies on international business transactions.



### Ms. Severine Loew

### Heidelberg, Germany

Ms. Loew recently earned an LL.B. in Business Law from the University of Applied Sciences in Heidelberg, where she studied corporate law, contract law, and comparative law. Her thesis, entitled "The Backbone of the Economies between Berlin and Paris – Legal Forms of Companies for Small and Medium Enterprises in Germany and France," was ranked the third best thesis in her class. As a law student, Ms. Loew interned in the Strategic Purchase Department of EvoBus



Hadia Balkhyoor and Severine Loew get to know each other at the LL.M. Welcome Luncheon GmbH, a subsidiary of Daimler AG (one of the world's most successful automotive companies), where she prepared contracts, participated in negotiations with international suppli-

ers, and served as the liaison between the purchase department and the production plant in Ligny, France. Ms. Loew completed two other internships in law firms. Ms. Loew has dual citizenship in France and Germany and is a member of the German-American Lawyers' Association. Her career goal is to work in the legal department of an international corporation.



### Jeddah, Saudi Arabia

Ms. Balkhyoor graduated from King Abdulaziz University in 2008 with "first honors." She was nominated by her peers to represent them at the Law Students Council. She worked with three fellow students in writing a research paper entitled, "Sharia Study on the Rights of the Saudi Women to Practice the Law and Consultation," which the students presented to King Abdullah Bin Abdulaziz. She also has trained as a lawyer in cooperation with King Abdulaziz University and Salah Al Hujailan Legal Office. Before coming to the US to study English, Ms. Balkhyoor was a Teaching Assistant at King Abdulaziz University's law department. She was also a volunteer in the National Council for Human Rights, contributing legal support to several humanitarian cases. As an LLM student, she is focusing on business law and would like to earn an SJD degree before returning to Saudi Arabia.



### Mr. Safe Shalhout Ramallah, West Bank

Mr. Shalhout earned an LL.B. from Birzeit University, where he was president of the law and public administration faculty students' club and represented the university in several conferences that aimed to improve the youth situation in and out of Palestine. Mr. Shalhout has worked in the office of Mr. Moatasem Ahmad Awawdeh, a private lawyer, as a trainee for one year and is admitted to the Palestinian Bar as an attorney. In the summer of 2008, he also volunteered as a personal assistant in the Virgin Islands Police Department, where he assisted the lieutenant in investigating crimes, visited court, and wrote reports. Mr. Shalhout has attended several courses aside from his law studies at Birzeit University, including a course in investigating crimes in the police department of the US Virgin Islands and a training course in forensic medicine in Al Quds University.



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Ms. Yang Yang Liaoning, China

Ms. Yang earned an LL.B. from Dalian Ocean University, where she was ranked second in her class. She was voted "Excellent League Member" and won "Best Debater" of the first debate at the law school. Ms. Yang also served as Vice President of the Society Union at Dalian. Her research paper, "Analysis of the Problems, Cause of Formation, in the Construction of Police Officers Professional Ethics and Code of Conduct for Law Enforcement and Countermeasure," was published in Economic Daily. Ms. Yang completed an internship as an Assistant Lawyer in Grandall Legal Group in Beijing, one of the largest legal groups in China. Her responsibilities were to obtain evidence through investigation, to assist senior managers and lawyers in data collection, and to research legal issues



related to corporate law and intellectual property law. Ms. Yang was also involved in a foreign-related trademark dispute case, which allowed her to use her knowledge of domestic trademark law. As an LLM student, Ms. Yang is focusing on economic law, commercial law, and contracts. Her career goal is to return to China to join an international law firm and "to be a successful female legal worker."

### Mr. Yazeed Alrasheed

### Riyadh, Saudi Arabia

Mr. Alrasheed is a Counselor at the Bureau of Experts at the Council of Ministers, where he reviews legal documents and internal regulations of Saudi companies, examines regional and international agreements and joint-venture agreements signed by the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, and participates in legal subcommittees. Mr. Alrasheed is a member of the Committee of Reviewing Saudi Regulations, established by the Bureau of Experts to incorporate Saudi legislation with signed human rights covenants. Mr. Alrasheed earned a Bachelor or Laws degree in 2007 and graduated first in his class from King Saud University, one of the most prestigious universities in Saudi Arabia.



Mr. Matteo De Cesco Milan, Italy

Mr. De Cesco enrolled in WFU School of Law as a Visiting International J.D. Student in the fall 2008 semester. As a Visitor, Mr. De Cesco was a member of the International Law Society, the Men's Club Soccer, and the intramural soccer team. Mr. De Cesco received Bachelor of Law and Master of Law degrees from Università Commerciale Luigi Bocconi in Milan in 2007 and 2009, respectively. Mr. De Cesco served as a Legal Intern at Simmons & Simmons and Studio Legale Loiacono e Associati after his graduate studies. He has also worked as a Project Researcher and Writer at BNP Paribas Securities Services, where he collaborated with other professionals to write a treatise on the role of the custodian in different types of pension funds. Before beginning his career as a lawyer, Mr. De Cesco was a professional soccer player for Calcio Monza F.C. for two years.



### Ms. Rasha Subuh Bethlehem, West Bank

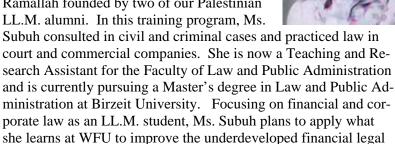
Ms. Subuh is a Palestinian Rule of Law Fellow sponsored by the Open Society Institute. She received an LL.B. from Birzeit University, where she ranked first in her class and graduated with High Distinction. During her studies, Ms. Subuh attended a course on Comparative Law between Palestinian Law and Egyptian Law at Tanta University in Egypt. Ms. Subuh also partici-



Nickles (right)
welcomes his
LL.M. advisee,
Rasha Subuh
from Palestine, to
Wake Forest
University School
of Law.

Professor Steve

pated in a training course at Ittqan Consulting Services, which is a prominent law firm in Ramallah founded by two of our Palestinian LL.M. alumni. In this training program, Ms.



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system in Palestine.

### Ms. Liubov Ebralidze

### Ulyanovsk, Russia

Ms. Ebralidze is an Edmund S. Muskie Graduate Fellow sponsored by the International Research and Exchanges Board to earn a law degree in the U.S. She received an LL.B. from Ulyanovsk State University in 2003, and has worked as a lawyer in Russia for over seven years in corporate law, corporate governance, mergers and acquisitions, securities markets, and due diligence. Ms. Ebralidze is the Deputy Director of Legal Affairs at "AMS-Avto." Ms. Ebralidze's professional experience also includes advising the General Director of Legal Affairs at IKARBUS, a bus and special vehicles manufacturer in Serbia, and serving as a Deputy General Director for Corporate Governance for Voshod, a supermarket chain. Ms. Ebralidze is pursuing a Ph.D. degree in the Civ-



il and Business Law Department at Kazan State University. Her dissertation is entitled, "Affiliates as Parties of the Corporate Legal Relationships." As an LL.M. student at Wake Forest, Ms. Ebralidze is focusing on corporate law and corporate governance, which are undeveloped in Russia.

Ms. Yao Chen Jiangyin, China

Ms. Chen is a recent graduate of Hunan University, where she was quite involved in extracurricular activities. She served as the secretary of the Law School's Publicity Club, volunteered at Hunan University's Legal Aid Center, and won first place in the University's debate competition in 2008. Ms. Chen was also one of twenty-two students selected to attend an American visiting professor's lectures at Hunan University. Ms. Chen recently interned at Hu Nan Wei Chu Office of Lawyer for two months. In this position, she appeared in court as a defendant's agent and was responsible for analyzing evidence. Ms. Chen is eager to learn more about international economic law.



Ms. Shoko Fujita Tokyo, Japan

Ms. Fujita earned a Bachelors of Law degree in 2009 from Dokkyo University. She has spent two semesters in the English as a Second Language program at the University of Wisconsin in Madison. Ms. Fujita is interested in business law and intellectual property rights. Her career goal is to become a business consultant or to work for the legal department of a company or a design office. Ms. Fujita believes that earning an LLM in the U.S. will allow her to reach these goals.



### Mr. Ahmed AlQurashi

### Riyadh, Saudi Arabia

Since 2006, Mr. AlQurashi has worked as a Legal Counsel for the Committee for the Res-

olution of Securities Disputes at the Capital Markets Authority (CMA) of Saudi Arabia. Mr. AlQurashi describes the CMA as "the watchdog of the securities and stock markets in Saudi Arabia." Prior to this position, Mr. AlQurashi worked in the



Ahmed Alqurashi, Hadia Balkhyoor, and Mohamad Basam (SJD candidate), led a presentation on Islamic Law to members of the law school community. Read more at www.law.wfu.edu/llm/news.

Shari'ah Law Group of Alrajhi Banking Corporation in Riyadh. Mr. AlQurashi earned an LL.B. from Imam Muhammad Ibn Saud University in 2001 and received a Diploma in Legal Studies from the Institute of Public Administration in 2006. After completing his studies at Wake Forest School of Law, Mr. Alqurashi hopes to specialize in international business and commercial law when he returns to Saudi Arabia.

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# **Visiting International Researchers**

Mr. Jeong Hun Lee Seoul, Korea

Mr. Lee is a Public Prosecutor at Seoul Central Prosecutors' Office, where he focuses on labor related crimes and public security. He received a Bachelor of Laws degree from Korea University and graduated from the two-year program at the Judicial Research and Training Institute of the Supreme Court of Korea. Since graduating from the Institute, Mr. Lee has worked for ten years as a Public Prosecutor. He was awarded the Excellent Prosecutor prize from the Public Prosecutor General in 2007 and the Best Prosecutor Performance Annual Award by the District Prosecutor for four consecutive years. While here at WFU throughout 2011, Mr. Lee will research U.S. counterterrorism laws and policies under the supervision of Professor Ron Wright.



Mr. Young Bin Park Seoul, Korea

Mr. Song has worked for nine years as a Public Prosecutor. He currently works in the Violent Crimes Department of the Incheon District Public Prosecutors' Office. Mr. Park was awarded the Excellent Prosecutor prize from the Public Prosecutor General in 2007 and the Excellent Prosecutor prize in the Narcotic Investigation Division from the Minister of Justice in 2008. He received a Bachelor of Laws degree from Korea University and completed the two-year program at the Judicial Research and Training Institute of the Supreme Court of Korea. While here at WFU, Mr. Park is conducting research on the U.S. judiciary system, focusing on the jury system, obstruction of the justice system, and white-collar crime under the supervision of Professor Kami Simmons. Mr. Park's visit to Wake Forest is sponsored by the Korean government, and he will be here through January of 2012.



### Ms. Munkheselenge Purevdorj

Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia

Ms. Purevdorj is a Faculty Development Fellowship Scholar sponsored by the Open Society Institute, George Soros Foundation. Ms. Purevdorj earned an LL.B. from Hitotsubashi University, one of Japan's highest ranked universities, where she received a Japanese government scholarship. She currently teaches introduction to law, private international law, business law, problems of international relations, and intellectual property at the National University of Mongolia in the Ulaanbaatar School of Foreign Service. Ms. Purevdorj will be spending her second semester in residence at WFU Law, conducting research on a dissertation entitled "Foreign Investments - Mongolian Mining Industry and Its Legal Environment on the Practice of Foreign Countries" and writing a textbook on private



international law, under the supervision of Professor George Walker. Upon returning to Mongolia, Ms. Purevdorj will resume her position as Lecturer at the National University of Mongolia, teaching political study of foreign countries and comparative constitutional study.

Mr. Gyu-Jong Song Seoul, Korea

Mr. Song is a Public Prosecutor at the Anyang Branch Office of Suwon District Public Prosecutors' Office. He received a Bachelor of Laws degree from Pusan National University and completed a two-year program at the Judicial Research and Training Institute of the Supreme Court of Korea, which is intended to further the education of those who have passed the Korean Bar Examination before entering the legal profession. Since graduating from the Institute, Mr. Song has worked for nine years as a Public Prosecutor and has investigated and litigated public security cases, which include election cases, labor cases, public officer bribery cases, and various finance-related business crime cases. While here at WFU, Mr. Song conducted research on the U.S. judiciary system, obstruction of



the justice system, and the public security system. Mr. Song's visit to Wake Forest was sponsored by the Korean government.

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## Recent News from Our Alumni

### BAKHYTZHAN KUSSAINOV

(Kazakhstan, '09) is a Staff Attorney with TengizChevroil Ltd., a Chevron affiliate. He works in contracts and international business transactions.



**HYUK RYU** (Korea, '03) is the Senior Prosecutor in charge of the Trial Department of Busan District Public Prosecutor's Office.

**ALEXANDER ROTH** (Germany, '01) is a member of the Criminal Law Department of Berlin's Federal Department of Justice. In addition to his new career, Alex and Britta Roth excitedly announce the birth of their daughter, Lotte, on November 16, 2009.



Best wishes to **RAWI NIRUNDORN** (Thailand, '08) and **ANCHALEE TWEESAN** (Thailand, '08), who married in Bangkok on May 9, 2010! Rawi is a Lawyer in the Legal Department of Thanachart Bank Public Company, Ltd., and Anchalee is an Official Receiver in the Legal Execution Department of the Thai Ministry of Justice.

While managing the Legal Department of Kubota Corporation, KATSUO YAMAURA (Japan, '06) recently published another book for beginners in international transactions and wrote articles in the <u>Business Law Journal</u> by Lexis Nexis Japan and in the <u>Journal of the Japan Commercial Arbitration Association</u>. Using his previous publications on international business, license agreements, and international agreements, Katsuo hopes "to support new legal staff members in Japan."



### HIDEYUKI KOHATA

(Japan, '05) is in the Legal Section of Nippon Electric Glass at their headquarters in Japan. He served two years as Director of Nippon's subsidiary company in Malaysia. Hideyuki and his wife, Tomoe, welcomed a son in August of 2010! They named him Yuma.

**JENNIFER KALCEVIC** (Germany, 05) is In-House Counsel in the Cosmetics Department of Henkel AG & Co. KgaA Legal Department in Duesseldorf.

**LU ZHANG** (China, '08) married Giumin Yang in Heilongjiang Province, China on October 5, 2009.

MANUEL MOCTEZUMA (Mexico, '04) published an article, "An Update for Oil Industry Investors: Mexico Eliminates Restrictions and Introduces a New Oil Legal Framework," in the Currents International Trade Law Journal at South Texas College. As an Attorney for Gonzalez Calvillo, S.C., he is travelling extensively to negotiate cross-border transactions. Manuel is also a member of the Hispanic Bar Association of Houston, Texas. On a personal note, Manuel and his wife, PAULINA CASTRO (Mexico, '04) welcomed their second child, Paulina, on March 11, 2010!

# CHRISTIAN FUEHNER (Germany, '10), LICIA MEMO (Italy, VIR), and ANGELO MALVESTIO

(Italy, VIR) had a mini-Wake reunion in Venice in October. Christian reports that they had a "fantastic time" walking around Venice and playing football on the beach.



MARIYA ORLYK (Ukraine, '06), Senior Attorney at CMS Reich-Rohrwig Hainz in Kyiv, led a team of Ukrainian lawyers representing Berislav Construction Materials in an acquisition by ArcelorMittal, the world's largest integrated metals and mining company. Mariya reports that working on the transaction was "a very interesting project and exciting experience."

**BING CHEN** (China, '04) is an Attorney at Law at Jinmao Partners Law Firm in Shanghai.

**YOUSSEF ALBLIHID** (Saudi Arabia, '08) was appointed Manager of the Legal Advice & Opinions Department

in the Saudi Arabian Capital Markey Authority. Youssef and his wife, Ghadah Alzaidi, welcomed a second son, Abdulelah. Abdulelah's older brother, Hamad, is happy to have a sibling.



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# Recent News from Our Alumni (continued)

**MOHAMMAD ALFAO'RI** (Jordan, '10) is enrolled in the Judicial Institute of Jordan, where he is pursuing a degree in Judicial Studies. After earning this degree, Mohammed will serve as a trainee judge.

SAMUEL CHACON (Mexico, '05) is an Attorney at Chacon & Rodriguez Abogados and recently graduated from the Masters in Business Administration program at Instituto Tecnológico Autónomo de México and the Masters in Global Management program at Tulane University in New Orleans, Louisiana. Samuel teaches Mercantile Contracts at ITAM's Law School. He and his wife, Ines, welcomed a daughter, Fatima, on November 18, 2009.



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**HEEYOON "DANNY" CHOI** (Korea, '08) has returned to Wake Forest University to pursue a J.D. degree.

Congratulations to Yen-Hsin "Emma" Chang for passing the New York State Bar Examination!



**HANI AQIL** (Gaza, '08) is a Legal Assistant at the United Nations Reliefs and Work Agency in Gaza.

**KOMEI TAKATSU** (Japan, '00) is the Executive Director of the Government Affairs and Risk Advisory Group at Nomura Holdings in Tokyo. Komei is responsible for handling matters related to international financial regulatory reforms after the financial crisis.

XINYI "SUNNY" WU (China, '01) and her husband, Jordan, welcomed their second son, Alex, on April 7, 2010. Sunny is a Compliance Officer at MAN House Beijing.



**YINGJUN WANG** (China, '08) is a Secretary at Guangzhou Arbitrator Commission.

**STEFANO BOATTO** (Italy, VIR) reports that he is working in Milan on corporate restructurings.

**TOMOKO NAKAJIMA** (Japan, '03) is a Partner at Cermak Nakajima LLP in Alexandria, Virginia.



CHRISTIAN WYSS (Switzerland, '05), a member of the Corporate and Mergers & Acquisitions Practice Group at VISCHER Ltd. in Basel, published an article, "Negotiating Third Party Manufacturing Agreements" in Contract Pharma and the NCBA's International Law Newsletter. Christian made a presentation at the Global Pharmaceutical Contract Manufacturing Conference entitled "Protect Your Business by Avoiding the Legal Pitfalls when Working with Contract Manufacturers" in June.



**WEIJIA MA** (China, '10) is working at Legal Aid of North Carolina's Winston-Salem office.

### XIN "FLORENCE" ZHANG

(China, '10) completed a summer internship at The Legal Aid Society Juvenile Rights Practice Internship Program in Queens, NY. Florence wrote that her favorite parts of the internship were going to court fre-



quently and meeting with "real" clients. She then interned with the Securities and Exchange Commission in D.C.

After submitting his doctoral thesis on copyright law in August, **MARTIN RINSCHEID** (Germany, '09) is currently completing the second stage of his legal residency working for the district attorney in Frankfurt. He continues to play basket-



ball for a club team and has performed in a production of Woody Allen's "Don't Drink the Water" in an English theater group.

**MENGFEI YU** (China, '08) is an Attorney at Moslemi and Associates, a law firm in New York.

**ZHEN FENG** (China, '02) is an Attorney at Hogan Lovells (Shanghai) Intellectual Property Service Co., Ltd.

**PASCAL KREMP** (Germany, '03) and his wife, Deborah, had a daughter named Mia on November 29, 2010.

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# Recent News from Our Alumni (continued)

**JUDITH HAENSEL** (Germany, '08) graduated from the J.D. Program at WFU Law in May of 2010.

After completing an internship at Womble Carlyle in W-S, XIAOCHUN "SHARRON" CHEN (China, '08) returned to Shanghai where she is an Attorney at Grandall Legal Services.



### ABDULAZIZ ALBOSAILY

(Saudi Arabia, '98) and his wife, Hessah Al-Marrzoqi, welcomed a daughter, whom they named Talah, in September of 2009. Congratulations to the happy family!

After passing the Judge Assistant Exam, **SUTHI IAM-CHARERNYING** (Thailand, '09) is training to become a judge in at the Judicial Training Institute in Bangkok.

**SACHIYO NISHIE** (Japan, 06) is Manager of the Legal Department and Manager of Internal Communications at Nippon Sheet Glass Co. in Tokyo and assigned to support the new American CEO of Nippon. She writes that her experiences at WFU have helped her "to understand what he wants to achieve."



(Christian is on the left)

### CHRISTIAN FUEHNER

(Germany, '10) completed a summer internship at the European Union Delegation to the U.S. Press & Public Diplomacy Section in D.C.

VICTOR MANZANO (Mexico, '07) is the Regional Counsel for Marketing and Labor Affairs (Latin America) for Nokia Mexico. Congratulations to Victor and his wife, Adrianna Ortiz, who wed in April 2010 in Mexico City!

**MASARU TAKEYASU** (Japan, '01) is a member of the Corporate Strategy group of Kao Corporation in Tokyo.

**SHUYA WANG** (China, '08) is a Junior Associate at Hogan Lovells International LLP in Shanghai.

Congratulations to

### HANNE NYHEIM

(Norway, '07) and Thomas McNutt (J.D., '08) who welcomed a son, Mikkel Alaric McNutt, on November 30, 2010. As an Associate in the Offshore, Shipping, and Energy



Group, at Simonsen Advokatfirm, Hanne participated in a transaction that was voted "Bank Debt of the Year" by Marine Money.

**NAMEI WANG** (China, '09) works for the China Construction Bank's legal department.

**CHEN FAN "FORREST" FU** (China, '07) graduated from WFU's J.D. Program in May of 2010. He is a Staff Attorney at Kilpatrick Stockton in Winston-Salem.

ANASTASIA BASTIAN (Bahamas, '07) wed Edward Campbell II on February 6, 2010 in Nassau! Annie continues to enjoy her work as an Associate in the Financial and Corporate Services Group of Graham, Thompson & Co.





Eva Neweklowsky (Austria, '02) continues to enjoy her work in the Research Services and International Relations and Legal Affairs departments at the University of Vienna. Her son, Loris (pictured), just turned 2 years old!

**XIAOYONG YUE** (China, '08) is a Counselor at Zhongyin Law Firm in Beijing.

**GRACE WIDYANI** (Indonesia, '05) is the Assistant Vice President of the LNG Project at PT Perusahaan Gas Negara (Persero) Tbk.



If you have any updates that you would like to share, email Holly at hedgechp@wfu.edu or Dean Montaquila at montaqsr@wfu.edu

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# **International Student Alumni Organizations**

During their studies at WFU, LL.M. students take on the harrowing tasks of learning a new legal system while adjusting to life in a new country. Inevitably, they build bonds, both personal and professional, centering around their shared experiences in a foreign environment. When the LL.M.s return to their home countries, family and work responsibilities can prevent them from keeping in touch with one another as much as they wish. To ensure that the bonds continue outside of Winston-Salem some of our alumni have organized international alumni groups in their home countries, bringing together alumni in particular regions and giving them the opportunity to reminisce about their days at Wake.

In July, Chinese alumni **LU ZHANG** ('08), **HAO WANG** ('09), and **WENFANG HUANG** ('10) dined with Andy Bunk, a visiting J.D. student and LL.M. Teaching Assistant, who was studying at Peking University. Lu reports that "it was a very pleasant reunion and we talked a lot about our classmates and professors in Wake and all those inter-

esting and good memories." Lu hopes that the Chinese alumni can hold a bigger reunion next year.

The most active international alumni group is in Japan. With twenty-two alumni, most of whom live or work in Tokyo, the Japanese Alumni Club meets four to five times a year for dinner to reconnect and share their professional and personal updates.

YOSHIHIRO SAKAMOTO ('08) enjoys these meetings, stating "if we spend lifetime like usual Japanese businessmen, it is difficult to get friends from other companies. This relationship is priceless." SACHIYO NISHIE ('06) reports that "in the busy everyday life, meeting WFU alumni is quite valuable to refresh my mind and energize me." RYO KAWAMURA, one of the organizers of the Japanese Alumni Club, hopes to continue these meetings "permanently."



Members of the Japanese Alumni Club met to welcome Abdulaziz Albosaily (Saudi Arabia, '98), who was in Japan on a business trip.

If you would like to create an alumni club in your country, please contact Holly or Dean Montaquila to get started.

# Greetings from Dean Montaquila

Hello from Winston-Salem! It's that time in spring when the daffodils have popped out, the weeping cherry trees are in full pink bloom, and the Carolina Jasmine is florescent yellow. Remember? The 2010—11 academic year has been productive for the international programs. Our SJD program is receiving a large number of applications from all parts of the world. I personally enjoyed an amazing experience of traveling to Istanbul as a delegate for the North Carolina Bar Association Attorney Exchange Program to Turkey. The delegation visited many courts, law firms, and law schools.

More good news, after several years of effort by Holly Hedgecock and myself, the WFU LL.M. Program has been chosen as a host institution for the Public-Private Partnership for Justice Reform in Afghanistan. Established by the U.S. Department of State and leading private attorneys in the U.S., this foundation offers scholarships to Afghan attorneys. WFU joins a small group of select schools who participate in this important initiative.



I know that all of you, as I am also, are thinking of our Japanese students and alumni. I know you join me in expressing our sincere concern and sympathy for the difficult circumstances that our Japanese colleagues and the country are now enduring.

Warm Regards,

Dean Susan Montaquila

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