

“What an extraordinary experience having this caliber of experts sharing their knowledge with all of us about issues that affect not just the United States, but the international community as well. It was truly a great privilege.”



TIM BELSAN

Editor-in-Chief

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Tim Belsan has had a very busy year. The third-year law student from Wichita, Kan., is completing his term as editor-in-chief of the *Washburn Law Journal*. Since being selected in February 2008, he has managed to successfully juggle his class load, interning with a federal judge in Kansas City and at Foulston Siefkin L.L.P. in Wichita, and his *Journal* responsibilities. As editor-in-chief, Belsan is vested with the ultimate responsibility for the compilation, publication, and distribution of Volume 48 of the *Washburn Law Journal*. All told, his term will last around 17 months.

In addition to his role with the law journal, Belsan has served as a law school admissions ambassador and as a structured study group leader for incoming first-year students.

Among the many things he's done at Washburn, one stands out to Belsan: His proposal to Dean Thomas J. Romig regarding a symposium. "At the time, I had no idea my modest proposal would turn into such an amazing event," stated Belsan.

That proposal resulted in a highly-successful symposium, co-sponsored by the *Washburn Law Journal* and the law school's recently-created Center for Law and Government, entitled "The Rule of Law and the Global War on Terrorism: Detainees, Interrogations, and Military Commissions." See page 4 for coverage of the symposium.

"The symposium is, without a doubt, one of my favorite memories of law school," said Belsan.

Next fall, Belsan will build on his already impressive resumé when he begins a one-year clerkship for Federal Circuit Judge Deanell Reece Tacha in Lawrence, Kan. He will be the first Washburn Law graduate to clerk for Judge Tacha, the former chief judge of the United States Court of Appeals for the Tenth Circuit.



Tim Belsan, Professor Donald Zillman, Faculty Advisor Professor Myrl Duncan, and Jonathon Stokes, editor-in-chief, Volume 49, Washburn Law Journal.

FOULSTON SIEFKIN LECTURE:

Donald Zillman Presents,
"More Than Tilting at Windmills"

Donald N. Zillman presented the Foulston Siefkin Lecture at Washburn Law on February 27. Zillman is the Edward S. Godfrey Professor of Law at the University of Maine School of Law and President of the University of Maine at Presque Isle.

Professor Zillman's topic was "More Than Tilting at Windmills." The University of Maine is in the process of installing a wind turbine to generate electricity for campus. He discussed the issues associated with this endeavor, including gaining public support, obtaining necessary permits, and finding a contractor to install the unit.

Professor Zillman has written more than 50 scholarly articles and co-authored 10 books, primarily in the fields of energy law and military law. His expertise makes him a much sought-after speaker on energy topics around the world.