



On 6th February 2011 Patricia Harvey (LLM) and Jacintha Victor John (LLM) will be representing Griffith College in the Honourable Society of the Inner Temple Inter-Varsity Moot. GCD are the only Irish team to be invited to compete in this prestigious Mooting Competition that will take place in London. Patricia and Jacintha will compete against 23 of the UK's top universities including Kings College London and the College of Law. Dean of Law Mr David Langwallner will be accompanying the team and acting as a Judge in the competition.

The Honourable Mrs Justice Catherine McGuinness Talks to GCD Law Students

On 13th October 2010 The Law Society and the Students' Union of Griffith College hosted a talk on the Law Reform Commission delivered by its President, The Honourable Mrs Justice Catherine McGuinness. The speech focused on the work the Commission carries out, along with its structural make-up. Students were given the opportunity to ask the former Supreme Court Justice questions on the Commission, as well as her role in other areas such as being a member of Seanad Eireann, as well as her positions on many Boards and Councils.



Pictured with Mrs Justice McGuinness is Bernard White (Auditor of the Griffith College Law Society), Eoin McKenna (2nd Year Law Student) and Graham Butler (SU President)

GCD Team at the McCann Fitzgerald Advocate

On 19th November LLM students Patricia Harvey and Jacinta Victor John represented GCD in McCann Fitzgerald Advocate competition. They came up against strong and experienced opposition from UCD and narrowly missed out in a place in the second round by the smallest of margins; 1 point separated the teams.

Patricia and Jacinta argued competently and compelling for their client through continued questioning from the Judges which they handled brilliantly. They received fantastic feedback from the Judges who saw their great potential for future mooting and encouraged them to continue.

GCD Team at Irish Times Debating competition

On Thursday 4th November 2010 Griffith College Dublin hosted two rounds of the Irish Times Debating competition. Teams from institutions all over Ireland gathered on campus at 6.30 pm looking to secure a place in the quarter finals of the competition.

The institutions represented included UCD, UCC, Trinity, DIT, DCU, IT Carlow and Independent Colleges. The teams debated the motion titled "That This House Welcomes the Demise of The Celtic Tiger" which proved to be an enjoyable debate. GCD team of Malachy Ryan and Clifford Shawn Blundell (third year LLB) opposed the motion that "This House Believes Collins and Griffith Should Not Have Signed The Treaty".

Upcoming Talks

Mr. Justice Frank Clarke of the High Court and Griffith College Judge-in-Residence will give the following talks in the second semester of the 2010/11 Academic Year:

- 11/02/2011 – chair of the first meeting of the Irish Innocence Project Supervisory Board
- 02/03/2011 – LLB/LLM class in Intellectual Property Law on Justice's judgement in Ranbaxy and principles pertaining to infringement in patent law.
- 09/03/2011 – a separation of powers lecture (of specific interest to students of Constitutional Law to those studying Human Rights Law and Public Law in general)
- March-April 2011 (TBC) – public lecture on the reception of the convention in Irish Domestic Law