In November 2021, Donna-Marie Korth ‘83, ‘86L, a Partner in the Coop/Condo Department at a major law firm, will teach Drafting: Real Estate Transactions on Friday, November 19th. This course is designed to enhance our students’ skills in drafting and reviewing real estate documents, a crucial skill for practicing real estate attorneys.

Earlier this month, the ELS selected its new executive board for the 2022-23 academic year, including Tyler Mittleman ‘23 as Editor-in-Chief, Nadia Balkaran ‘22 as Managing Editor, and Sara Meehan ‘22 as Articles and Notes Editors. The board will work to further the ELS’s mission of advancing scholarship in real property law and providing a platform for student voices in the field.

The Legislative Update: Looking Back and Looking Ahead” event, which was held at the Plaza Hotel in New York City, allowed students to discuss recent developments in real property law and consider potential future trends. Attendees included members of the N.Y. Real Property Law Journal, the official publication of the Real Property Law Society, as well as the American Bar Association’s Real Property, Probate and Trust Law Section.

On March 24, 2022, as part of the Alumni in Real Estate Roundtable event at the Mattone Institute at the WX Inc., students had the opportunity to network with professionals in the real estate industry. The event featured a Fireside Chat with Michael Rhee ’98, President and CEO of The American Property Owners Association, and presentations by other professionals, including real estate lawyers, brokers, and developers.

The Real Property Law Society recently announced the 2022 Mattone Institute CLE Series. The series features speakers on various topics related to real property law, including disclosure requirements in New York real estate transactions, tax implications of real estate transactions, and real estate finance. The series is available online and is open to the public.

The award-winning Real Estate Law Fellowship Program, run by the Real Estate Law Professors, offers students the opportunity to work on real estate-related projects and gain hands-on experience. The program is open to first and second-year students, and applications are due in May 2022.

We are excited to announce that the 2022 Meehan Fellowship has been awarded to Sara Meehan ‘22. The fellowship supports a student in their second year of law school who has shown exceptional promise in the field of real property law.

The Real Estate Fellows program, which is funded by the Law Firm of Shiryak, Bowman, Anderson, Gill & Associates, provides students with the opportunity to work on real estate-related projects and gain valuable experience. The program is limited to 15 students per year and is open to both first and second-year students.

The N.Y. Housing Court Eviction Unit is an initiative that provides legal representation to tenants facing eviction in the Queens, NY Housing Court. The unit is run by a team of law students and legal aid attorneys who are committed to helping New Yorkers avoid eviction. In addition to providing legal representation, the unit also conducts outreach and education programs to help tenants understand their rights and options.

In addition to the Eviction Unit, students in our Tenants Rights Advocacy Clinic continue their work on behalf of tenants and landlords. The clinic provides legal representation to tenants facing eviction and works to resolve disputes between landlords and tenants.

Congratulations to Nadia Balkaran ‘23, who was selected as the 2022 Mattone Institute Summer Public Interest Fellowship. The fellowship will support her work this summer as a law clerk for the Honorable Maria Ressos in the Queens Housing Court.

In Sara’s second year, she worked in the Consumer Justice Protection Agency Region 2, a role that allowed her to work on cases related to landlord-tenant disputes, foreclosures, and evictions. She also worked in the Consumer Justice Protection Agency Region 1, where she handled cases related to debt collection and unfair trade practices.

On January 28, the Law School and other United States law schools were awarded the Military Engineers (SAME) NYC Post Scholarship. The scholarship is awarded to qualified first or second year St. John’s Law students who are members of the military or veterans.

Congratulations to the Class of 2022! This year’s graduates have faced unprecedented challenges and have demonstrated remarkable resilience and determination.

We are proud of all our students and their accomplishments, and we look forward to seeing where their journey takes them next.