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Dear College of Law Community,

I write today to offer my thanks and encouragement as we begin the move to online instruction, and to wish our students, especially, a restful Spring Break. These are challenging times, to be sure, but together and individually we will learn from them.

Wherever you are next week, please remember that your questions and concerns are always welcome. Please send them to LawPreparedness@law.syr.edu, and we will respond. Please also visit the websites [LawPreparedness](#) and [Syracuse.edu/coronavirus](https://www.syracuse.edu/coronavirus) often for helpful resources and timely and relevant information on COVID-19 and its impact on the College of Law and the University more broadly.

Social Distancing: Cancellations of all Group Events

The Centers for Disease Control has highlighted the importance of “social distancing” to slow the spread of COVID-19. Social Distancing is defined as “remaining out of congregate settings, avoiding mass gatherings, and maintaining distance (approximately six feet) from others when possible.”

Accordingly, I have asked our faculty members not to convene classes in their homes or other off-campus locations. Likewise, all student or alumni gatherings, networking receptions, banquets and such events—whether in Syracuse or elsewhere—must be canceled until further notice.

We will both push ourselves and support one another through this crisis. Thank you, all of you, for all you are doing to weather through this time.

Best regards,

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