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One of the ways that a law school projects its influence is through faculty appearances on the national stage, when they serve as what are termed "public intellectuals"—go-to sources for expertise on important legal issues. In recent weeks, three members of the RWU Law team were high visibility.

Prof. Carl Bogus was cited in one of the most controversial decisions of the recently-ended term of the Supreme Court of the United States, McDonald v. City of Chicago, which extended the protections of the Second Amendment's right to bear arms to citizens of all states. Carl's scholarship was central to the pro-gun control justices in the seminal Heller decision in 2008, and he was also cited in Justice Stevens' dissenting opinion in McDonald last month.

<u>Prof. Peter Margulies</u>, our expert on National Security was quoted in the <u>New York Times</u> on an important decision regarding the rights of "War on Terror" detainees and I was cited in the <u>Financial Times (UK)</u> on the litigation complexities associated with the hundreds of civil suits filed on behalf of people, businesses, and governments damaged by the BP disaster in the Gulf of Mexico.