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Two of the junior members of our terrific faculty learned last week that they had been awarded tenure pursuant to a unanimous vote of the Law Faculty, the Dean, the Board of Directors, and the University President, Dr. Roy J. Nirschel.



Courtney Cahill is a national expert in the complex issues surrounding same sexuality and the law, using her skills as a close reader of texts, honed at Princeton, where she earned her PhD in Comparative Literature. Courtney was a stellar student at Yale Law School, where she served as Chief Essays Editor for the Yale Law Journal, and after graduation she was selected for a clerkship with a top federal judge in the Southern District of New York before becoming a law professor at Toledo. Courtney served as a visiting professor at Michigan and Washington & Lee before coming to RWU in 2007. In her brief time in the academy, Courtney is already well-known for her scholarship, having published in the Northwestern, Georgetown, Washington & Lee, and Ohio State law reviews, and last year she participated in an invitation-only program with Associate Justice of the United States Supreme Court Ruth Bader Ginsburg. To top things off, she is already a very accomplished teacher of Property, Family Law, and her seminar Sexuality and the Law.



Jared Goldstein came to Roger Williams with not just an enviable academic record (he is a magna cum laude graduate of Michigan) and a prestigious clerkship (he

served United States District Judge Lou Pollak, who before ascending to the bench had the distinction of being dean at both Yale and Penn Law Schools), but a remarkable range of practice experience. Jared was a Bristow Fellow with the Office of the Solicitor General at the United States Department of Justice and an appellate litigator with the Environment and Natural Resources Division of the Department of Justice. During his stint at the leading firm Sherman & Sterling, Jared, working pro bono, was one of the first civilian lawyers allowed to visit clients at Guantanamo, where he represented several Kuwaitis. Jared continued his representation after joining our faculty in 2005, and he also has had time to author several amicus curiae briefs in the United States Supreme Court on behalf of a distinguished group of Environmental Law professors. Jared is an innovative teacher of Constitutional and Environmental Law, and has had excellent success as a scholar, landing his articles in the Virginia Law Review, the Colorado Law Review, the Wisconsin Law Review, and the Catholic Law Review.

Congratulations to Courtney and Jared on winning tenure!