

AG LAW PROGRAM UPDATE

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WHAT HAS HAPPENED RECENTLY

Resources Currently Available

- Publications on:
 - Land & Mineral Leasing,
 - Estate Planning Issues,
 - Maryland's RTF law, and
 - General labor overview
- Out for review:
 - Overviews on
 - Fencing law
 - Premise Liability
 - Livestock Liability
 - Legal Risk Management Considerations



Ag Law Section

- Section's plan is to hold their meetings around the state and invite the agriculture community to participate.
- The Section will also work to make attorneys aware of issues and help introduce producers to attorneys.
- Release of Directory of Members of the MSBA's Section on Agricultural Law



Maryland State Bar Association
Special Committee on Agriculture Law

2014 Legal Services Directory



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InfoLine

- **410-706-7377 (InfoLine)**
- Infoline is to help refer callers to the available resources across the state (could be existing publications or help hook them up with attorneys).
- The pilot program launched in May and will run till November to gauge usefulness.



NE Regional AALA Conference

- Hosted at the Carey School of Law, I served as planning chair for the Association.
- Had around 50 attendees for a first time conference.




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WELCOME

/ Paul Goeringer

Welcome to the Maryland Agricultural Law Blog, provided as a service from the Department of Agriculture and Resource Economics. This blog will provide readers with information on legal issues important to Maryland agriculture, upcoming events, and new materials that may interest readers.


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Maryland Ag Law Blog (cont.)

- Goal is to provide short quick articles over variety of legal issues impacting ag.
- Feel free to repost anything on there just give Ashley or me credit.
- Also if you know of something else we should cover, please let us know.

Leasing Workshops



- Received a grant from the Northeast Risk Management Education Center to conduct 5 to 6 leasing workshops around the state in the winter of 2014-15.
- Going to be reaching out in the fall to find some locations to hold these around the state.



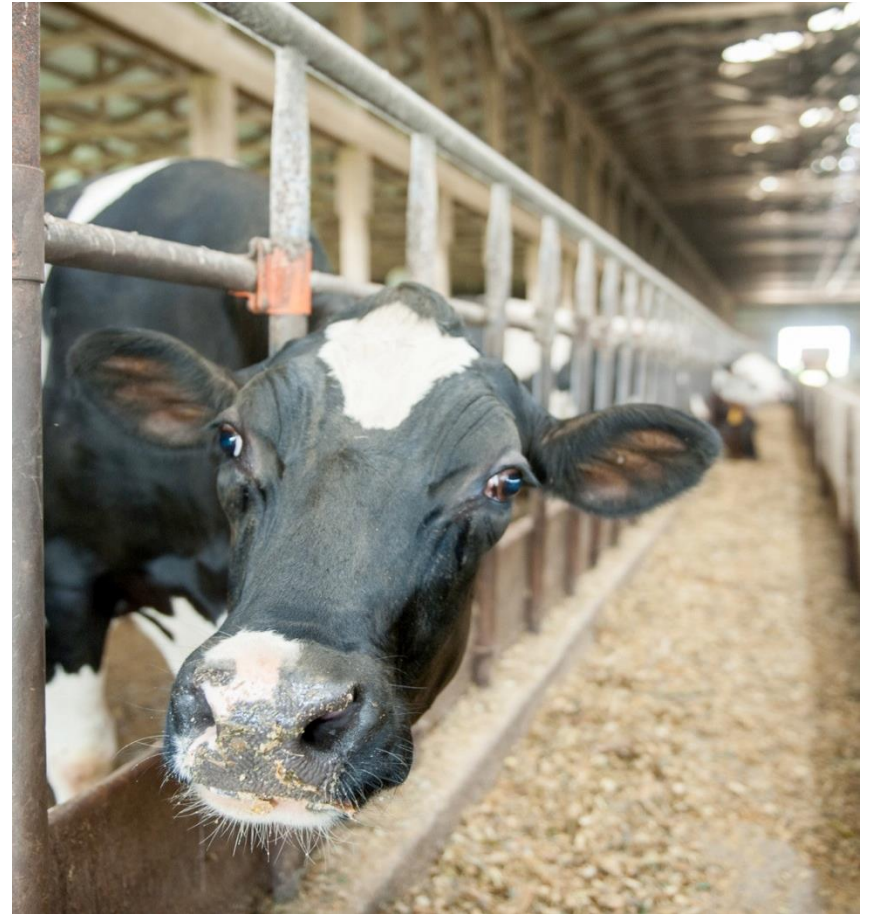
NEW TEAM MEMBERS

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- Has a Bachelor of Laws (LL.B.) degree and a Maitrise en Droit (Master of Laws, LL.M.) in Business Law from her native Cameroon. She also has an LL.M. in International Law from Indiana University Robert H. McKinney School of Law, Indianapolis.
- Father owns a small cocoa farm in Cameroon.
- Worked for UN's World Food Programme researching world food prices.
- Currently is working part-time on this project and working on a PhD.
- Should be at the picnic tonight

Wele's Area of Focus

- Land Use
- Marketing and Diversification
- Food Safety



Ashley Newhall - AREC

- She was raised on a large dairy operation in Arizona
- She received her B.S. in Finance from Arizona State University, a J.D. from Texas Tech School of Law and an LL.M. in Food and Agricultural Law from University of Arkansas School of Law
- She currently reside in Philadelphia and much of her past research has revolved around water law and its affects on agriculture producers



Ashley's Areas of Focus

- Proposed Change of “Waters of the U.S.”
- Ag-Gag Laws
- Water Permits
 - Going to convert her blog posts into a publication
- Stormwater Liability
 - Who is liable when water from public lands floods private property?



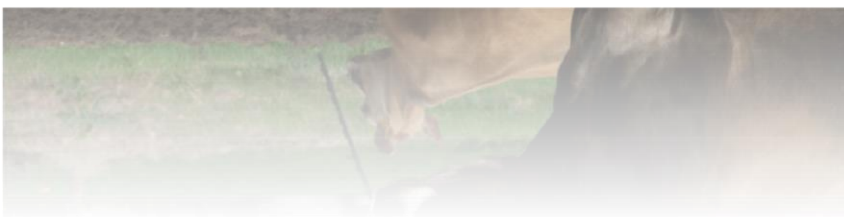
Paul Focusing on What?

- Focusing on Liability Issues:
 - Contributory negligence
 - Assumption of the risk
- Right-to-Farm issues
 - Would the law apply to someone who starts farming in an urban area
 - Does the law apply to third-party contractors.



Law School Areas of Focus

- Labor Law continuing:
 - H2A Employment Issues
 - Works Comp Issues.
- Their immigration clinic has talk more about getting involved with us.
- Working to get their mediation clinic working more with involved with MDA's ACRoS program.



ANY QUESTIONS?

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