Dear Members of the Penn State Law and SIA Community,

In response to Governor Wolf’s March 19, 2020 announcement, Penn State has provided guidance that (1) everyone who can work from home should do so immediately and completely, until otherwise notified; (2) university buildings are switching to locked status; and (3) libraries and computer labs will be closed. This email provides supplemental guidance for Penn State Law and SIA.

Before turning to that guidance, we want to make clear that we remain fully committed to supporting our faculty, staff, and students during this period of remote instruction and to continuing to provide key services remotely.

- Our COVID-19 response pages for Penn State Law and SIA contain information on how best to access those services and other updates.
- Although our library is physically closed, it will continue to provide remote services in the manner described by Dean Hinckley. The library team is continuously updating its webpage of resources, including online/electronic resources and electronic textbook access.
- Please also continue to check the university’s websites providing coronavirus information and remote learning and teaching resources, which are being regularly updated.

**Students:** The building will be closed to students during this period. If you have items that you need to retrieve from the building, please come do so today. As always, please do not enter the building if you are ill, have been exposed to someone who is ill, or are under self quarantine. If you have items in the building that you need to retrieve and are unable to come today, please contact Dean Elkin (JDs), Dean Barnes (LLMs, SJDs, and exchange students), or Dr. Gartner (MIAs).

**Employees:** Everyone who is able to do so should work remotely immediately. If you have items that you need to retrieve from the building, please come do so today. As always, please do not enter the building if you are ill, have been exposed to someone who is ill, or are under self quarantine. If you need to access the building after Friday, please let Russ Shaffer know. I will send additional guidance to employees in a separate email.

Our Information and Listening Sessions yesterday reinforced both the incredible ways in which our community has come together to support each other and the many challenges that so many people are facing. I look forward to continuing those conversations over the coming weeks and appreciate hearing your perspectives on challenges and how to address them. Let’s all take that extra moment today to reach out and support someone in our community and beyond. I am so grateful for our collective efforts to get through this together. WE ARE!

Best,
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