

**GRANT PROPOSAL COVER PAGE**

You can type information directly into the cells below.

		Date	March 8, 2010
1. Proposal Title		Catholic Lawyers Against Death [CLAD]	
		Prof. Gerald F. Uelmen, Professor of Law Christopher Boscia, Staff Attorney, Northern California	
2. Name of Person submitting Proposal		Innocence Project	
3. Phone	554-5729; 551-3000 ext8029	E-Mail	guelmen@scu.edu; cboscia@scu.edu
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4. Type of Grant (Please check one):		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Bannan Grant	<input type="checkbox"/> Dialog and Design Grant
5. Provide you <u>4 – 6 letter</u> Department ID or Program ID. ( <b>Not a Fund number!</b> ) This information <u>must</u> be provided. (e.g. ECON for Economics Department, LACLNC for Law Clinic.)			
L <b>SCU Department ID or Program ID</b>	A Gerald Uelmen	W <b>Contact Person</b>	S 5729
C <i>* You must have an SCU Affiliation</i>			<b>Ext.</b>
6. If your department does not provide administrative assistance to manage grants, we will provide help. Do you need for us to help manage your grant?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
7. Total cost of proposed project	.....	\$	<b>5000.00</b>
8. Amount of money requested from Bannan Center	.....	\$	<b>5000.00</b>
9. Amount requested from other sources, if any (please list):		\$	<b>0.00</b>
		\$	<b>0.00</b>
		\$	<b>0.00</b>
10. Please explain briefly what will happen to this project if you do not receive funding from the Bannan Center.			
Without a Bannan Grant we will be unable to hire a professional web designer to create a website with the necessary technical requirements. This dynamic site will include Catholic and legal resources on the death penalty. Additionally, it will serve as a clearinghouse for members to persuade Catholics to reconsider their position on the death penalty in light of church teaching.			
Department Chair or Supervisor Approval	Dean Donald Polden	Signature	Date
	Name (Type or Print)		

**Proposed Budget  
Bannan Grant**

**Name:** Gerald Uelmen & Christopher Boscia

**Proposal Title:** Catholic Lawyers Against Death [CLAD]

**I estimate that I will spend the money I am requesting as follows:**

<u>PRIME ACCOUNT</u>		<u>AMOUNT</u>
<b>SUPPLY</b>	office, lab, or instruction supplies	
<b>PHONE</b>	telephone charges	
<b>REPROD</b>	copying, printing	
<b>MAIL</b>	postage, mailing, fax charges	
<b>TRAVEL</b>	domestic transport, lodging or meals	
<b>SPCEVT</b>	food charges, room charges for a special event	
<b>CONTRS</b>	guest speaker honoraria, research subject fees, professional services	
<b>MISC</b>	publications, subscriptions, membership dues	5000.00
<b>SWAGE</b>	student wages	
<b>STFSAL</b>	staff salary	
<b>FACSAL</b>	faculty salary	
<b>BENEXP</b>	student, staff, and faculty benefits	
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b><u>5000.00</u></b>

**Please note:**

**In the event that this grant is awarded, your department is responsible for any overdrafts associated with this grant.**

**See Page 3.**

## Grant Proposal Evaluation Form

Date March 8, 2010

Proposal Title Catholic Lawyers Against Death [CLAD]

Name of Grantee Gerald Uelmen & Christopher Boscia

Phone 554-5729; 551-3000 ext.8029

**Part I: [To be completed for submission along with your original grant proposal.]**

List the intended outcomes of this project: (Use additional pages if necessary)

1. Website to promulgate information, promote participation by Catholic lawyers, and organize presentations and events to reach Catholic audiences in California.

The website will serve as a tool to identify Catholic attorneys in California who will be advocates to speak out on behalf of reform. These lawyers will engage in a speaking and writing campaign that will involve writing op-eds and letters to the editor as well as speaking at various functions in favor of reform. Our goal is to have 100 California catholic lawyers to sign up through the website as advocates. A substantial number of those sign-ups will be alumni of other Catholic law schools, including Santa Clara University, Loyola Marymount, University of San Francisco, and University of San Diego Schools of Law.

2. An inaugural meeting of CLAD hosted by Santa Clara University in the Fall of 2010.

**PENDING APPROVAL OF YOUR GRANT - PARTS II AND III ARE TO BE COMPLETED  
AT THE END OF YOUR GRANT PERIOD.**

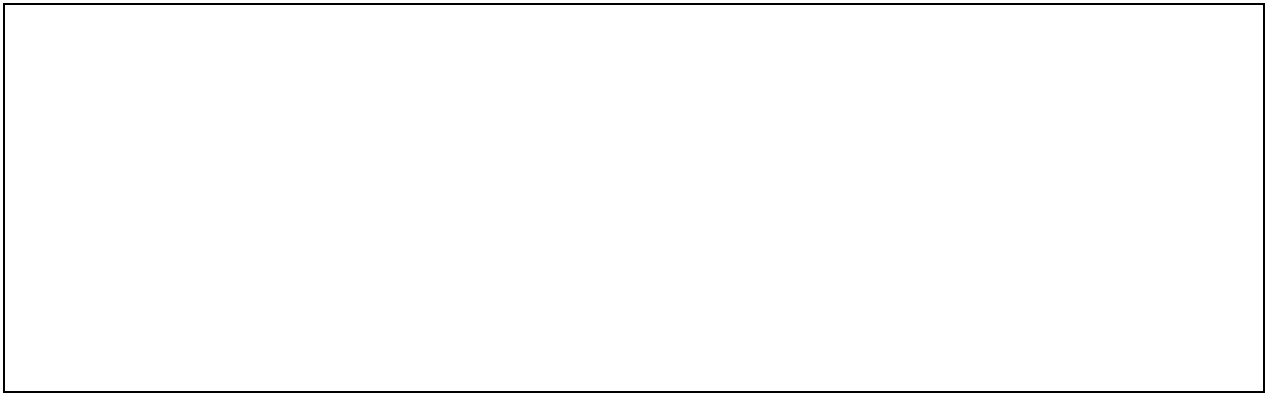
**PROPOSAL BUDGET ACCOUNT NUMBER**

14006		RSCH	
Fund	Dept ID	Program	Project ID

**Part II**

Briefly describe the actual measurable outcomes of this project and the assessment tools you used. (Use additional pages if needed.)

Part III: Describe any other outcomes of your project.



## BANNAN GRANT PROPOSAL

Gerald F. Uelmen, Professor of Law, Santa Clara University School of Law  
Christopher Boscia, Staff Attorney, Northern California Innocence Project

### **Project Title**

Catholic Lawyers Against the Death Penalty [CLAD].

### **Statement of the Problem**

A poll conducted by Zogby International in 2005 found that 48% of Catholics support the death penalty, although its use in the United States is clearly contrary to Church teaching.

California, specifically, has the largest death row population in the nation with a total of 700 people. (See [\*Report and Recommendations on the Administration of the Death Penalty in California\*](#), California Commission on the Fair Administration of Justice, 6/30/08).

The abolition of the death penalty in California will require a majority of California voters to support an initiative measure. This will require a sustained effort to change public opinion, which currently supports the death penalty at a rate of 65%. When polls identify the religion of respondents, California Catholics support the death penalty at a higher rate than any other religious group.

In order to abolish the death penalty in California, a significant number of California Catholics who currently support the death penalty must be persuaded to follow Church teaching and oppose it.

### **Methods**

The US Conference of Catholic Bishops has encouraged us to [pray, learn, educate, and advocate on this issue](#).

CLAD will enlist Catholic lawyers who oppose the death penalty to become an educational and advocacy resource to persuade Catholics who favor the death penalty to reconsider their position in light of church teachings and other information regarding the dysfunction of California's death penalty law. CLAD will organize a website to promulgate information, promote participation by

Catholic lawyers, and organize presentations and events to reach Catholic audiences.

CLAD will work closely with the California Conference of Bishops to promote its agenda. Bishop P.J. McGrath of San Jose has already pledged his support.

An Advisory Board for CLAD will be formed by enlisting leading Catholic attorneys from every part of California.

### **Timetable**

The CLAD website will be operational by July 1, 2010. The CLAD Advisory Board will be formed by July 1, 2010. The first CLAD education and advocacy event will be hosted at Santa Clara University in the Fall of 2010.

### **Relevance to past and future research or teaching of applicants**

Gerald Uelmen served as Executive Director, and Chris Boscia as Executive Assistant, for the California Commission on the Fair Administration of Justice (CCFAJ). The CCFAJ undertook an extensive study of California's dysfunctional death penalty law. The work of the Commission provided both of them with a thorough grounding in the problems of California's death penalty law, including the reasons for delays and the continued risk of wrongful convictions.

Additionally, Santa Clara University supported the work of the CCFAJ in two critical ways. First, CCFAJ was headquartered at SCU School of Law, with an office in the 900 Lafayette building. Second, SCU played host to one of three statewide public hearings on the fair administration of the death penalty and hosted bi-monthly meetings of the CCFAJ membership. These meetings and the public hearing gave SCU students, faculty, staff, and alumni a unique opportunity to both witness and contribute to conversation in California on the death penalty.

Prof. Uelmen and Chris Boscia were recognized for their work on the CCFAJ in the [Santa Clara University President's Report, 2007-2008](#).

### **6. Relevance to Bannan Institute criteria for funding:**

Santa Clara University is committed to “educating men and women of competence, conscience, and compassion.” (See Mission Statement of Santa Clara University.)

The Bannan Institute in particular is tasked with assisting “the University in maintaining its Catholic identity and Jesuit mission.” While data is not available, it

is conceivable that a number of the Catholics in California who support the death penalty are graduates of Santa Clara University. CLAD will use University resources such as Prof. Uelmen, Chris Boscia, and grant funding to educate fellow Catholics, including SCU alumni, about the need to abolish the death penalty in California. By educating the consciences of our fellow SCU alumni and Catholics across California, we will be fulfilling the University's commitment to the faith that does justice in the world.

**7. Grants or fellowships received during the past three years: N/A**

**8. Publications or other results of most recent internal grant: N/A**

**9. Approval of Department Chairperson:** See attached signature from Dean Polden on coverpage.

**10. Itemized Budget:**

- \$2,500 for web design
- \$500 for hosting and web domain purchase
- \$2,000 for inaugural meeting at Santa Clara University