



## News Release

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### **Thomas Jefferson School of Law Professor is Named as Fulbright Scholar**

#### *Will Teach Tax and Business Law in Tunisia*

SAN DIEGO - Professor Richard Winchester of the Thomas Jefferson School of Law here has been named as a Fulbright Scholar and will teach in Tunisia during his sabbatical leave, which begins in January of 2012.

Being accepted into the prestigious Fulbright program fulfills Professor Winchester's dream to teach in Northern Africa, a dream that began 30 years ago when he was working as an intern in Paris.

"I expect to spend my time in the nation's capital of Tunis, at Universite du 7 Novembre a Carthage," he says. "It has the country's most distinguished law faculty and also offers an advanced degree program in Anglo-American commercial law."

Professor Winchester will teach tax and business law to Tunisians who want to pursue careers in international business.

"As a former international business tax lawyer who has anchored the tax program at Thomas Jefferson School of Law for the past seven years, I am well-positioned to help prepare Tunisian law students for that line of work," says Professor Winchester.

Why Tunisia – a country that has just recently experienced a revolution?

"I speak French," Professor Winchester says of his choice of Tunisia, a choice made before the revolution, which began in December of last year. "I am excited to be a witness to the changes there," he says, "and to be a part of the transition there."

As for Tunis, Professor Winchester says, "It's another San Diego. It's right on the Mediterranean and it's where a lot of people go for the sun and the surf."

#### About Professor Richard Winchester:

Professor Winchester anchors the tax program at Thomas Jefferson School of Law, where he has taught since 2003. In that time, he has become one of the leading authorities on federal employment taxes and the only legal scholar whose reform proposals have been considered as a

policy option by Congress. His body of scholarship also examines the taxation of the closely held business, with a growing number of publications in the field of corporate tax history. He entered law teaching after working for over a decade as a corporate tax planner, helping privately owned and publicly-traded companies structure their business operations and financial transactions. He initially practiced at major law firms and tax boutiques in Philadelphia and Washington, DC, developing an expertise in multi-state taxation and international tax. He spent his final years in practice as an international tax attorney in the national tax office of PricewaterhouseCoopers, advising both U.S. firms investing abroad and foreign companies investing in the U.S. Professor Winchester is a graduate of Yale Law School, where he was editor-in-chief of the *Yale Law & Policy Review*. He later clerked for Chief Justice Robert N.C. Nix, Jr., of the Pennsylvania Supreme Court. He completed his undergraduate studies at Princeton University, majoring in the Woodrow Wilson School of Public and International Affairs. Consistently active in civic matters, he has led grassroots political organizations in Pennsylvania and also helped rewrite the charter for the city of Bowie, Maryland.

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