Sixty-first-year UVA Law students took to the diamond in the All-Star softball games at the Park on Wednesday, October 23.

The night featured three games, the first and last of which were played by the All-Stars, comprised of players from the previous three tournament games. The second game was a friendly exhibition between the All-Stars and the home team's first-year players. The All-Stars were victorious in all three games, with scores of 8-3 and 21-19 in the first and second games, respectively.

In the first game, the home team took the lead after one innning, scoring four runs. The away team responded with three runs of their own in the top of the second inning, preventing the home team from rounding home plate. The third inning featured a home run by Will Scheffer '22, the home team's leadoff batter, as the leadoff batter. Trace Larabee '22 pitched for the home team, and had a good hit in the second inning, and seven other members of the away team earned hits. The home team cut the deficit to 1-0 with three runs in the bottom of the second.

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Exclusive Interview with David Leitch ’85
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The University of Virginia School of Law had the pleasure of welcoming Da-
vid Leitch ’85, Global General Counsel for BoA, to North Law Weekly.

Grounds last week. Leitch is in Charlottes-
tville to visit BoA branches in the region to discuss talk with local management.

On October 21, the Virginia Law & Business Society held a Q&A moderated by Professor George Geis, with whom Leitch discussed his extensive experiences working at the nexus of global commerce and law. A podcast can be found online on SoundCloud, courtesy of UVA Law.

We at the paper took this opportunity to snag an ex-
cclusive Law Weekly interview with Leitch. Managing Editor Christina Luk ’21 and Lifestyle Editor Grace Tang ’21 had the opportunity to sit down in ScooCo to chat with Leitch about his impressive and accomplished career, his passion for char-
ity, his love for Charlottes-
tville, his memories of the Law School, and his advice for current students.

Leitch fondly reminisced about his days at UVA Law and his IL professors Em-
erson Spies, John Jeffries, and John Robinson. When asked if he played softball at UVA, he told Law Weekly, “I did, I didn’t realize I had a choice! Softball was a very important activity then, and it’s taken on more promi-
ence since my time here.” When Leitch was a student, law firm interviews were scheduled throughout the semester, and there would inevitably be students who attended interviews for softball uniforms or softball games in their suits! Given this, Leitch gave us additional insight into another softball tradition, the Dandelion Kick-off, which had its origin in the first softball opening parade while Leitch was in school, called the Dandelion Parade. Leitch found the in-
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cre Leech worked in many legal fields, and he always dedicated time to master his current role. “I didn’t think I would end up in-house, but I was fortunate to work with people who helped me develop those skills. I was intentional in terms of being open to opportunity, and you never know where it leads.” Being open to opportunity paid off for Leitch in 2001. “After working as an appel-
late lawyer for the better part of a decade, I wanted to try something new,” said Leitch. When the opportu-

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Bamboo House.

Pet peeve?
When people won’t tell me how they want to be addressed when they have that name that can be shortened.

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As an immigrant and by extension American society and culture over the years—such a comparison was meaningful to me and it was fun to educate ourselves on a diversity of issues present around the world today,” he said. doesn’t it better myself.

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Once upon a time, in a world not so long ago, there was peace. At 3 a.m. it was actually held at a bar named RFV (the best biker bar in Virginia, and The Virginian was true to its roots and traditions. This world has slowly deteriorated, and the last straw has come upon us. Despite ordering an injunction against the renaming of the original 3 at 3 hotspots and ordering damages for every biker who no longer felt at home at what is now Crozet Pizza, both of which failed miserably, this Court is here to try once more to right the wrongs of The Virginian. What has gone wrong at The Virginian is nearly unspeakable, but this Court has the authority to try and right the pettiest wrongs of this esteemed university community.

Summary of the Facts

Plaintiff law students brought this case several weeks ago, complaining about a new policy that The Virginian (nicknamed Virg) by allowing students in bright pink pastel shorts. "You can't even describe the students in pink pastel shorts." - C.J. Shmazzle

Acronyms are hard, I did my best.

Maybe if we pretend it's true one day it will happen.

Injunction requiring LFV to revert back to its former state (aka Virg) by allowing students in bright pink pastel shorts. (aka Sperry's) in bright pink pastel shorts."

N'est-ce pas? How much more obvious claimed possession gets than a bunch of kids from NOVA belting out 'Country Roads' while stomping their wannabe cowboy boots (aka Sperry's)
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having less substance than the pizza, but there are plenty of uninteresting people in school for that, as well. It really isn’t about them, but more about me, my aversion lies revisiting my own past. Or it’s that we’re all too drunk to talk reasonably at Bimborle at midnight.

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On Monday, the First-Year Council hosted a Halloween Carnival for the families of UVA Law students and faculty — and apparently for small dogs and all other creatures that decided to show up that day. Photo credit Kolleen Gladden ’21.

I don’t feel much of anything these days. But thanksgiving used to be my jam (literally—crabany). Nowadays, I am too busy with my family to think far away for me to feel sentimental about it. Did you know that all pumpkin pie is actually made out of squash but the FDA allows manufac-
turers to lie about it anyways? As if thanksgiving couldn’t be built off of any more lies. But, ultimately, I don’t care, because I am too busy to care, and possi-

bly too sleep deprived. Does this mean that in the future, when I have kids, that I’ll be an absent father who is too busy lawyering around to be there for the holidays? At the moment, I can only assume so. But at least I will have done it for them—surely they’ll realize it someday? I am spooked.

Most times I eat candy from the student affairs office, I am disappoint-
ed.

Except for Twix on a good day. And maybe Peanut M&Ms. If you’re not a fan of at least one of those two things, then you’re an un-

trustworthy person. But also Almond Joy. If you choose regular M&Ms over Peanut M&Ms you should fail the bar. Plain and simple. No lawyer worth their salt (or in this case, sugar! Ha ahha!) is offering regular M&Ms to people or their loved ones that were diagnosed with mesothelioma. Always look for the offices with Peanut M&Ms— that’s how you know you’re at a high-quality establishment.

The Law School, de-

spite being progressive on many things, has no parental leave policy. Sure, you can take a leave of absence, and generally, I don’t know how a parental leave policy would work in the real world at a law school, but I find this to be interest-

ing. Also, like thanksgiving, I don’t care if my hypo-

thetical children are used to my absence. They should just be grateful for all I pro-

vide them, including my occa-

sional presence.

Overall, I think that if you feel the same way as me, you should be scared about where your life is going. Es-

sentially, you’re someone who doesn’t have fully well-meaning cover bands, eats only 3 types of candy, doesn’t care for the holidays, and is doing this all without the safety net of a parental leave policy. And the bright side is that you can dress up as Ebenezer Scrooge on Thurs-

day and it’ll all make sense.

Now, time for some more fun ones! 

What is your favorite thing about Minnesota?

I’m so glad you asked! Minnes-

otas, but the lakes are a close second.

What is your favorite word?

I had to pick: Coven.

Backstreet boys or “NY-SYNCE”?

Neither, sorry! For a variety of reasons, I basically missed all pop culture of the late 1990s/early 2000s. I actually just learned after Googling this question that “Bye Bye Bye” and “I Want It That Way” are not by the same group. My bad.

Favorite fall activity? 

Talking about foliage ad nause-

am.

What are your sev-

er-goorders of the Law School?

In no particular order:

“Treat people with respect,” es-

pecially this time of year.

Public service community.

Our painting with Willen-

Brown. It reminds me of home!

Every single outdoor study space.

Favorite fall snack?

Fruit snacks from Student

Affairs.

Gambini Study Room.

The natural light is amazing.

The people, of course!

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the right to dance on a Virgin table at 2 p.m. on a Sunday afternoon; rather, they claim ownership when night life is at its peak—mainly the week-
ends and after 10 p.m. Under this narrower definition of time, clearly plaintiffs would prevail as unrepresented possessors of the relevant property given the long-standing tradition of tab-
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Conclusion

This Court vacates the lower court judgment and remands the case for further decision of the case on the merits. We strongly urge the lower-court judge to remember the angry mob that will come for him and this Court as a whole. Under this narrower definition of time, clearly plaintiffs would prevail as unrepresented possessors of the relevant property given the long-standing tradition of table life dancing that predates you, me, and this Court as a whole. While this Court doesn’t find Judge Jones clearly erred in his finding, we also subscribe to our well-known Rule 1 of Petty Procedure: “We do what we want.” Therefore, we overrule the lower court and find all the elements of adverse possession met.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

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premacy. Our country bears the burden of this legacy. Just as every person lays claim to the wonderful and powerful strides towards freedom and justice this nation makes, we each have an obligation to lay claim to the weight of the shameful portions of America’s past that lay on our shared identity. If there is one thing BLA wants people to remember from our exhibit on lynching, it is to accept the need to recon-

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