It’s Better When She’s Here: An Interview with Dean Davies

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August 26, 2017 was a picturesque summer day. Dean Sarah Davies was out for a ride with a horse, trotting with her horse, Claudia. A barn and rolling hills served as the backdrop for the routine, leisurely ride before the bustle of the fall semester began.

Davies, who started riding at the age of nine, is an accomplished equestrian. Beginning when she her horse a year and a half ago, she rode four to five times per week. Earlier this summer, Davies and Claudia took home top blue ribbons, in two shows, and two days before the accident she signed up for another competition in cross-country jumping.

“She is part draft horse so she looks big and steely, but she is light on her feet,” said Davies.

The horses were grazing in a field adjacent to the dressage and jumping arenas when Davies signaled for her horse to lift her head up from the grass. Then, out of nowhere, a severely marked-down horse took off at a bucking gallop. Claudia took the hit in the mouth, and Davies was left without control to stop her from tearing across the field and leaping through the dressage ring as she galloped towards the nearby barn.

Luckily, Davies’ years of training took over. She stood up in the stirrups and leaned over the saddle to control the horse, while chasing it and returning it to the barn. “I don’t remember falling,” Davies said. “My friends followed behind me, one of them was my friend while chasing me at a full gallop.”

Davies was unconscious for two to three minutes before coming to.

She spent the next week in intensive care with a broken tibia plateau. “For all that the evening was a tremendous variety of drinking tickets. It will probably not see the return of 2015’s sullen, Kraftwerk-cosplaying DJ, beer-slicked and perilously bent cordon, or mildly inebriated Uber drivers—and that’s probably an improvement. See Gregory Ranzini, Sold: PILA Auction a Success, Raises Money for a Good Cause, Virginia Law Weekly, Nov. 4, 2015, at 2 (‘Conscientious to a T, she had us confirm that our chosen stop-off point, the bus stop at the foot of the law school law school, was ‘a safe spot to walk from, because you don’t look like fighters.’).” But there’s still probably some room to innovate, at least so long as we don’t return to the Jefferson Theater. Wherever the auction is, however, the Law Weekly will be there with the story next year.

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1 This timeline constructed from my own memory and this helpful piece from AOL: https://www.aol.com/news/trump-timeline.
4. Citing a tweet from https://twitter.com/david_reagan
5. https://www.buzzfeed.com/nidispakash/puerto-rico-catastrophic-hurricane-maria-puerto-rico/index.html?utm_term=dlAoLy8yL8Nh.x1VgCp0SM8

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Faculty Lunch: Kristin Glover

Although she enjoyed her time at the Corporation Counsel's Office, when presented with the option to return to UVA Law, Glover found it impossible to turn down the offer. Glover said that the prospect of working for UVA Law's library was particularly appealing because she had enjoyed research and writing throughout her legal education. Legal Research and Writing (LRW) was one of her favorite courses—which while she was in practice. Returning to UVA Law has been a thoroughly enjoyable experience for Glover, who praises her colleagues and makes them a true pleasure to work with. As a research librarian, Glover works with a wide range of individuals on any given day and encounters an array of new issues as a result. In addition to helping professors researching complicated paper topics, Glover also assists students who are working on their own and members of the public with an interest ranging from the classics to Advanced Legal Research, which builds on the skills students typically first exposed to during LRW. The class uses practical methods to help students become more familiar with databases such as Westlaw and LexisNexis before they head into practice. Glover asks all her students to select a an issue in the community and to track related developments throughout the semester. One of her favorite parts about teaching is discovering the wide range of interests that her students hold and watching them grow increasingly confident in their own abilities over time.

When asked if she has any advice to share with students, Glover suggested that they should begin thinking early on about the importance of work-life balance. Specifically, she recommended that students try to develop a commitment to things that they can enjoy outside of work—things that will allow them to clear their heads—so they still feel feeling overwhelmed. As we head into finals season, this advice seems particularly prudent, especially for 1Ls who may already be feeling anxious and worn down from late nights spent briefing the cases in their Civil Procedure textbook.

In her spare time, Glover enjoys hiking, yoga, and dancing. She describes herself as an avid walker. Glover said that one of her favorite activities is walking in Charlottesville is being able to walk from the Downtown Mall to the University of Virginia in just one hour. Scenery change along the way. She loves poetry, though denies having a single favorite author. Still, Glover cited Emily Dickinson and Gwendolyn Brooks as being two of her mainstay favorites. When asked what her favorite restaurant is in Charlottesville, Glover replied that Tavola, an Italian restaurant located just one block from her apartment, is a fabulous option and recommended everyone on the menu from the bruschetta to the more complex seafood dishes. Finally, Glover recommended taking the time to check out the Virginia Film Festival, which will be held in town November 9–12. She noted that attending the Film Festival is a highlight for her each year and noted that it presents students with a fun opportunity to see select movies before they enter wider release.

We thoroughly enjoyed meeting with Glover and encouraging the students to stop and say hello when they see her around the library!

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A Letter to the Editor

Dear Virginia Law Weekly,

I have LRW in one hour and should be working on my Jesse Conover '21 Disgruntled Reader

major memo, outline, yet I instead take the time to write to you about a petty issue in [last week's] Virginia Law Weekly.

I wish to call attention to an inaccuracy in the article titled "Young Children Torture North Grounds." The reporter referred to the apples in Community Fellows Program apple bobbing tub as " Honeycrisp," which is worthy of correction.

(1) They were not Honeycrisp. They were Empire apples.

(2) The bobbing apples were larger and juicier (owing to their larger cells), and ideal for eating Empire apples are a much more standard, old school "lunch box apple" that is perfectly fine but not great. The Honeycrisps are also smaller, on average, than Honeycrisp. This factor made grasping them with one's teeth nearly impossible. Combining the small aperture of a child's mouth and the frigid water temperature makes eating water and you are practically accusing the Community Fellows of torturing young children. Shame on you.

I read skim the Virginia Law Weekly once a month and I am astounded at the uncharacteristic lack of professionalism on display here. For the love of print media please factcheck your articles, particularly when it’s an issue of high import such as a terrorism exposé.

Faithfully yours,

Jessie

*This is a rhetorical “we.”

**Editor’s note: The Law Weekly apologizes for the error, we guess, but also appreciates the community member who took the time to check for her knowledge of apples and willingness to confront us with our shortcomings. The world needs more Jessies."**
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Faculty Quotes

Deeks: "I wish my name was Stellar Wind."

Mahoney: "You might sword fight so offensive as to manifestly exceed the bounds of decency, besides the obvious hazard to others of his vile state; and it is a venerable maxim of the law, that he who comes with clean hands and the author of the article. Advanced

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Wednesday, 8 November 2017

DOE v. GUNNER

2 C.P.R. 186; 23 S.C.R. 165; 14 P.R. 183 (1917).

Reporter: Archibald McVeigh
Case. The declaration stated that the defendant, before and at the time of committing the annoyance, therein mentioned, was seized with contagious disease, of great severity, viz., the Spanish-influenza, and at the time of committing the said grievance, was, and thereby lost great gains and business by him to form and transact his affairs and business, and to quibble pedantically with the other, all being tarrh, spittle, and other matter, and producing by his expectoration, all being space propriate to DOE the mentality of the classroom, or the regard for the eyes then upon them, and told them, that, if they withheld that which was, that he was well founded.

The cause was tried be- fore RANZI, Ch. J. at the sitting at Albermarle, after St. Chad’s Day Term instant. The facts that appeared in evidence were as follow: The defendant, GUNNER, had displayed increasing signs of malaise beginning from the first of October. By the fifth, he had ceased to nod obsequiously along with the Estates master and began incessantly to clear his throat instead. By the seventh, he was fe- verish and drowsy in the after- noon sitting. An Agency professor testified that from this date GUNNER’s mood had become so subdued that he lacked something of “his usual compulsion to get the last word in” and though he had become so subdued that he lacked something of “his usual compulsion to get the last word in” and though he had become so subdued that he was with grippe.

On the question of necessity it was further submitted, on the strength of Tonner v. Li- chfield, 1 Bos. & N.P.R. 404, [Over] Cramsworth v. Fan- ning & Hounslow Steam- Aëronautical. Co. (1823) 4 P.Ex 244, 20 L.P.J. Ex. 65.; that if a reasonable man in the defendant’s position might have been found in class, then the defendant might not be li- belle.

Lea was reserved to the defendant to enter a nonsuit, if the Court should be of the opinion that either objection was well founded. The jury returned a ver- dict for the plaintiff, damages 69£, 2s., 11d ½.

Davies, Serj, in support of her rule: The defendant was in a supervening require- ment to attend class under any circumstances, the effect in law of which was, that he must, unless absolutely con- fined to bed, attend his lec- tures. And so I rest.


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Law Weekly FEATURE: Court of Petty Exchequer

The Court of Petty Exchequer is the most high bench of Her Majesty’s Chamber at UVA Law. The Court has the power to effectuate its noble jurisdiction over all concerns of no price, & that arise involving, either directly, indirectly, or tangentially, the Law School or its students. The Court is composed of whichever ever barons the House of Lords so choses. Opinions shall be released periodically and only in the official court reporter: the Virginia Law Weekly. Please email a brief summary of any and all conflicts to jmg3df@virginia.edu.

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**Top Three Local Vineyards**

**Name:** White Hall Vineyards (Rank #2)

**When you went:** Week-end afternoon (carly@sholer/hard)

**Best for small or big groups?** Either, can accommodate large groups easily for tasting.

**General vibe:** The employees were phenomenal and knowledgeable about the wines. She would need to receiver. She said with a laugh, “I called Lisa and said ‘I will be back in the office in two weeks’.”

While describing her experience in the hospital and in later in rehab, Davies said, “It was hard to discontinue. I wanted to be there to welcome.

**Favorite wine from that vineyard:** I really can’t choose. This is my favorite winery because it is the only one that made wine in the tasting (white, red, and in between). However, I have to admit that I am impressed with the Virginia grapes—and that is not always so; but if the defendant finds cause to gripe into the presence of another with a disease that is communicable, as e.g., consumption, typhus, or the gaard-fever. But we cannot thereby say that good claim will always lie before us. I have been submit to the jury the instruction urged by the defendant.

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**van der Meulen, B:** I cannot agree with my brother Baron Hall. Whether viewed from prudence towards the body of the defendant or of the shock ing vileness of Gunner’s con duct and its manifest superfluosity I am convinced that the instruction here could have made no error in instructing the jury. And so, &c., I affirm, &c.,

**Goldman, C.B.** I am quite in agreement with my brother Baron van der Meulen: and at the threshold I take notice that the counsellors before us likewise appear most wondrously poorly to-day. I infer the learned gentlemen have conferred a tribe closely with the defendant. You may stand there, if you please. Were the bar a few paces closer to my mouth I should cover my mouth and nose with my fag.
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bers of the Minority Rights Coalition ask our friends and classmates to do three things. First, give (or continue to give) to relief efforts in Pu-
to Rico. The link in the foot-

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