

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

UNIVERSITY OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

UDC Resolution 2015-20

SUBJECT: UDC David A. Clarke School of Law Tenure Approval for Professor Andrew Ferguson

WHEREAS, the UDC-DCSL Faculty Evaluation and Retention Committee (FERC) appointed a subcommittee to prepare a report and make a recommendation to FERC regarding the tenure application for Professor Andrew Ferguson; and

WHEREAS, the UDC-DCSL faculty, after careful consideration, voted unanimously to adopt the recommendation of the subcommittee on March 19, 2015, to recommend to Dean Shelley Broderick that Professor Ferguson, who joined the faculty as an Assistant Professor in 2010 and promoted to the rank of Associate Professor in 2013, teaching Criminal Law, Criminal Procedure, Evidence, and Advanced Criminal Procedure, plus a seminar on Current Issues in Criminal Practice, be offered a permanent position on the law faculty with the rank of full professor with continuous tenure; and

WHEREAS, the tenure standard at UDC David A. Clarke School of Law states that “[a]ll members of the faculty have as their primary responsibilities teaching and contributing to the growth and understanding of the law,” and secondary responsibilities under the standard require that the applicant for tenure have successfully participated in and conducted “other school of law activities...necessary to the successful functioning and harmony of the institution...and other activities...which significantly relate to and advance a faculty member’s academic skills, including work in his or her special field”; and

WHEREAS, the FERC subcommittee conducted a review of Professor Ferguson’s teaching, scholarship, and service to the UDC-DCSL and to the legal profession and concluded that Professor Ferguson is a teacher whose work has now received uniformly outstanding evaluations from his students and colleagues, and that along with other attributes of good teaching, his scholarly and other writings easily satisfy the criteria for tenure, and that he is an unwavering champion for the School of Law, for the legal profession, and for justice; and

WHEREAS, Dean Broderick independently evaluated Professor Ferguson’s teaching, scholarship, and service, and concurred in writing with FERC’s recommendation; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to 8B DCMR §1470, the Dean, the Acting Provost and the Interim President have affirmed the recommendation of tenure for Professor Ferguson and the Interim President has forwarded the recommendation for tenure to the Board of Trustees;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of the University of the District of Columbia approves the award of tenure to Professor Andrew Ferguson of the UDC David A. Clarke School of Law.

Submitted by the Academic and Student Affairs Committee

June 29, 2015

Approved by the Board of Trustees

July 14, 2015

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Elaine A. Crider", written over a horizontal line.

Elaine A. Crider
Chairperson of the Board