PART ONE: REPORT OF ACTIVITIES

A. SUMMARY OF ACADEMIC YEAR: 2015-2016

1. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

In the first year of its existence, Harvard Law School’s Animal Law & Policy Program (ALPP) rapidly expanded to a full-fledged organization, engaging a dedicated and active group of students, hosting or co-sponsoring a wide variety of events and activities, and advancing the quantity and quality of research in the field.

Work that began 14 years ago with the Bob Barker Endowment for the Study of Animal Rights at HLS was augmented by a generous grant from Bradley L. Goldberg, founder and president of the Animal Welfare Trust. This gift has enabled the ALPP to launch a new level of activity in animal law at Harvard—funding curriculum development, experiential learning, scholarly gatherings and exchanges, forums for discussion and debate, and establishing an Academic Fellows program.

The ALPP team is led by Professor Kristen Stilt. In addition to being Professor of Law and Faculty Director of ALPP, Stilt is also a Director of HLS’ Islamic Legal Studies Program. Executive Director Chris Green led all administrative, fundraising, and networking efforts to get the Program up and running. Stilt and Green were joined by the Program’s first Academic Fellow, Delcianna Winders, and by the Program’s Graduate Scholar, Jessica Eisen, an HLS S.J.D. student.

While the Animal Law & Policy Program is new, Harvard Law School’s connection with animal law and policy goes back nearly 150 years when HLS alumnus George Thorndike Angell founded the Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, one of the nation’s first animal protection organizations. Two months later in 1869, Angell achieved passage of Massachusetts’ first general anticruelty legislation, An Act for the More Effectual Prevention of Cruelty to Animals. Angell is considered to be the architect of the modern animal protection movement and saw education as a key component of that effort. At the turn of the current century in 2000 Harvard Law School again was at the forefront of the field, becoming only the ninth U.S. law school to offer a course in Animal Law, yet now just 16 years later, over 160 other law schools have followed suit.

2. RESEARCH, SCHOLARSHIP AND PROJECT ACTIVITIES

a. Program Mission and Areas of Inquiry

The Harvard Animal Law & Policy Program is committed to analyzing and improving the treatment of animals by the legal system. The Program engages with academics, students, practitioners, and decision makers to foster discourse, facilitate scholarship, develop strategic solutions, and build innovative bridges between theory and practice in the rapidly evolving area of animal law and policy.
c. Academic Workshops

One of the Animal Law & Policy Program’s primary goals is to advance both the quantity and quality of scholarship in the field. The primary vehicle within legal academia to accomplish this objective is holding academic workshops—a format that previously has been under-utilized by the Animal Law community. Not only does the process itself qualitatively improve the caliber of the scholarship produced, but it also quantitatively increases the intellectual capacity of the field by attracting scholars who previously may never have considered writing academic pieces about animal law and policy topics.

ALPP held its first workshop, the Harvard Workshop on Animals in Comparative Constitutional Law. The call for abstracts drew some 75 submissions, of which 10 papers were selected. The papers discussed focused on constitutional theory, institutional design, and case studies grounded in the constitutional experiences of particular jurisdictions. Also examined were issues of religious law and the religious dimensions of constitutional protections for animals, such as the debate over halal and kosher slaughter and current efforts to ban or protect those practices.

In May, ALPP co-sponsored the Workshop on Animals, Law, and Religion, organized by the Islamic Legal Studies Program. The workshop fostered a conversation among scholars about how followers of different religious traditions (Buddhism, Christianity, Hinduism, Islam, Jainism, Judaism) individually and collectively approach the interrelated topics of animals, ethics, and law. Participants—legal academics, religious scholars, and animal advocates—engaged in thought-provoking conversations based on works in progress on such topics as “Animal Souls”; “The Christian Ethics of Farmed Animal Welfare”; “Animal Rights as ‘Religion’ Under the Free Exercise Clause”; “The Rabbinic Rejection of Mercy as Justification for Animal Slaughter”; “Vegetarianism, Religion, and the State in Early Modern Western India”; “The Human-Animal Divide within Jainism”; and “Situating Islamic Animal Ethics in Modern Environmental Discourse.”

d. Major Events

In February, ALPP hosted a trio of major events for the benefit of both students and academic scholars, all within a single week. The Program co-sponsored the Second Annual Harvard Animal Law Week with the HLS SALDF—presenting notable animal law speakers to the broader Law School community each day. At the end of the week, HLS also hosted the National Animal Law Competitions (NALC), organized in collaboration with Lewis & Clark Law School’s Center for Animal Law Studies. This event uses real-world issues and scenarios to provide students an opportunity to compete in three different types of advocacy competitions: Legislative Drafting & Lobbying, Closing Argument, and Appellate Moot Court. NALC provides an excellent opportunity for students to interact with each other and receive constructive mentoring from many of the field’s key figures as well as several sitting Federal Appellate Court Judges. Chris Green again drafted this year’s Legislative Competition problem while Delci Winders created the Appellate Moot Court case. Also during the same week, the Program organized and hosted the academic workshop on Animals in Comparative Constitutional Law described in the preceding section.
In addition to furthering the scholarship of others, the Harvard Animal Law & Policy team has also produced a significant amount of scholarly work.

Kristen Stilt recently completed “Constitutional Animal Protection in Egypt and the Making of a Social Movement,” a first-hand analysis of the inclusion in the 2014 Egyptian constitution of a provision that requires the state to provide “kindness to animals.” A draft of that article was discussed in ALPP’s Workshop on Animals in Comparative Constitutional Law and now is under review for publication. Stilt also presented on “Constitutional Protections for Animals” at the 2016 annual Animal Law Conference. In April, she presented a draft of another paper at Yale University, entitled “Animals in Motion: Slaughter, Animal Welfare, and Islamic Law,” about the live export of animals from Australia to the Middle East for ritual sacrifice. A more developed version of that work, “Do Muslim Animals Need Saving?” was discussed in the May Workshop on Animals, Law, and Religion. Kristen’s other works in progress include a chapter on “Animals” for the Oxford Handbook of Islamic Law, and a chapter on “Law” for the forthcoming Critical Terms in Animal Studies—a book edited by Lori Gruen as part of the Critical Terms series at the University of Chicago Press. In June, Stilt also received the I-CON Prize, an award recognizing her as the author of the year’s best scholarly article published in the International Journal of Constitutional Law.

Professor Stilt and our Graduate Scholar Jessica Eisen completed a chapter on Animal Protection and the Legal Status of Animals for the forthcoming Max Planck Encyclopedia of Comparative Constitutional Law, published by Oxford University Press. To accomplish this comprehensive undertaking, they enlisted a team of HLS students in the J.D., LL.M., and S.J.D. programs. International students in particular were able to contribute significantly to the understanding of such laws in their home jurisdictions.


3. Contributions to HLS Teaching Program

The fundamental purpose of any academic institution should be to develop the educational resources necessary to provide students with the best training and instruction possible—thereby equipping them to make successful contributions to the field. Accordingly, one immediate goal of the Program is for Harvard students to have the opportunity to take multiple Animal Law & Policy courses during their three years at the Law School.

In the Fall Semester, Kristen Stilt taught “Property Law.” In the Spring Semester, she taught “Islamic Law: Human Rights Advocacy in the Muslim World,” which addressed difficult questions at the intersection of human rights law and some interpretations of Islamic law. She also taught “Animal Law,” which covered the broad range of contexts in which animals are affected by the law, including larger definitional and philosophical questions about our
treatment of animals. The topics covered included anti-cruelty protections; the use of animals in research, entertainment, and food production; recent rights-based litigation efforts; comparative and international law; as well as religious and cultural implications of animal protection. The course analyzed each of those issues in terms of the way they fit within the larger structure of how humans recognize animals through the legal system. To supplement that inquiry we enlisted the knowledge of weekly “guest experts” who we would video-conference into the class for 10-15 minutes to share their real-world experiences and take questions from the students. Forty-one students enrolled in the class.

Last fall, ALPP offered HLS’s first course in Wildlife Law, taught by Jonathan Lovvorn, Senior Vice President & Chief Counsel for Animal Protection Litigation at The Humane Society of the United States. The course will be offered again in Fall 2016. The Wildlife Law seminar explored the subject with a focus on high-profile wildlife conservation disputes—including current controversies surrounding international whaling, captive marine mammals, endangered wolves, and dwindling polar bear populations. The seminar also examined the history and evolution of wildlife conservation law, highlighting the major constitutional, ecological, political, and economic issues that shape wildlife resource protection in the 21st century. For the final meeting of the Wildlife Law class in December, the Director of the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service, the highest-ranking wildlife official in the U.S. government, addressed seminar students and answered their questions from the course.

Mentoring and Guidance

The Faculty Director and the Executive Director are significant resources for HLS and Harvard University students interested in the field of animal law and policy. ALPP encourages active participation by students in Program activities and research and provides opportunities to work with the Program in these areas. Kristen Stilt serves on the S.J.D. committee of Jessica Eisen and also served as faculty advisor for Harvard College student Terilyn Chen’s senior honors thesis, “Using Environmental Statutes to Sue for Animal Welfare Benefits.” Chen plans to apply to HLS to continue working with ALPP.

Executive Director Chris Green advised many students on summer and January Term internships and potential career options as well as served as a resource for students researching and writing in the area of animal law. To familiarize students with the practice of animal law and policy, and help get them integrated into the practitioner network, Chris helped organize an “Animal Law Field Trip” to Washington, DC, in March. Over two days the students visited six offices of animal protection organizations as well as the Senate offices of two legislators who are strong supporters of animal protection issues—in all interacting with 34 practicing animal attorneys and over a dozen other policy staff. The overall experience was invaluable for our students to get a feel for the cultures and environments at the different organizations and learn about the various paths these experts took in their own careers.

4. ALPP Student Engagement at HLS and Beyond

The Animal Law & Policy Program is fortunate to have highly engaged students from a diverse array of backgrounds involved in our work. Seven of our current students have spent their summers or winter terms doing internships with animal protection organizations such as the
Animal Legal Defense Fund, Animal Welfare Institute, International Fund for Animal Welfare, Mercy for Animals, and the Humane Society of the United States. This winter, three of our students undertook Animal Law clinical placements or writing projects for their January Term studies. One worked with HSUS in Washington D.C. analyzing the current Massachusetts ballot initiative to protect farm animals, another worked for the ALDF in Los Angeles on puppy pill litigation, while the third traveled overseas to meet with the New Zealand Animal Law Association and write about that country’s recently amended Animal Welfare Act—which banned cosmetic testing and now recognizes “animals as sentient.” One of this year’s LL.M. students, Alice Lee, wrote her thesis analyzing the U.S. and Taiwan’s legal protections for endangered dolphins. Our Graduate Scholar, Jessica Eisen, is an S.J.D. student from Canada writing her dissertation on animal legal issues.

The Program collaborates closely with the Harvard Student Animal Legal Defense Fund (SALDF) to co-host speakers and events. The student group has become impressively active, growing from hosting only one event in 2013 to organizing 15 events this past year. In recognition of these achievements, in October the Harvard SALDF was awarded the national 2015 SALDF Chapter of the Year Award at the annual Animal Law Conference in Portland.

This May we also instituted Harvard Law School’s first Animal Law & Policy Writing Prize, an annual competitive award for the best student paper related to animal law written in conjunction with a course, seminar, clinic, or as an independent study project at the Law School. This inaugural year we received 11 submissions covering a broad range of topics, such as international whaling regulation, the treatment of wild horses on federal lands, strategies for litigation, and state-level regulatory approaches to conservation. This year’s prize was awarded to Alice Lee for her thesis, “Endangered and Entangled: A Comparative Study of the United States' and Taiwan's Law on Protection of Endangered Marine Mammals.” HLS Communications recently profiled Alice in Harvard Law Today under the title From Practicing Corporate Law to Making the Case for Dolphins: Alice Lee’s Journey.

ALPP’s engagement with students goes well beyond HLS, offering opportunities to scholars in other parts of the University. For example, one Harvard College undergraduate student, Terilyn Chen, enrolled in both Animal Law and Wildlife Law courses as part of her Environmental Science & Public Policy concentration. In a recent Harvard College profile, Terilyn highlighted the impact of being able to enroll in our Animal Law & Policy Program law school courses:

“The most interesting course I took that counts for ESPP is Animal Law. It was a class I cross-registered in at Harvard Law School junior spring that really changed my focus in ESPP as well as just in life. I definitely think more about the animal aspects of environmentalism now, and am super interested in the intersections of animal law and environmental law. I actually think I might want to become an environmental and/or animal lawyer.”

ALPP also is assisting with the development of another promising opportunity for Harvard undergraduate students. A rising junior at the College recently asked Program staff to serve as
advisors for an independent program of study she is creating. If the committee accepts her proposal, the multidisciplinary program would establish Harvard University's first-ever conferred degree in Animal Studies.

Finally, the “For Students” section of the ALPP website provides a substantial amount of information and resources for both current and prospective students interested in the field.

5. Faculty Participation

HLS and faculty from other Harvard University schools participated in many of ALPP’s events. Prof. Mark Tushnet served as the opening discussant for our Workshop on Animals in Comparative Constitutional Law. Prof. Jacob Gersen and Assistant Clinical Professor Emily Broad-Leib organized and participated in the Drugs, Animals, and Food: Law & Policy of Antibiotics in the Food System conference that we co-organized with them. Steven Niemi, Director, Office of Animal Resources, Harvard University Faculty of Arts and Sciences, and Richard Born, MD, Professor of Neurobiology, Harvard Medical School both were panelist for our discussion on the Legal and Ethical Considerations of Non-Human Primates in Research we co-organized with the Harvard Petrie-Flom Center for Health Law Policy, Biotechnology, and Bioethics. Prof. Cass Sunstein and Prof. Jacob Gersen advised our Academic Fellow, Delci Winders, on her scholarship, and both agreed to serve as formal recommenders as she enters the academic market this coming fall. The Program also has been developing relationships with Prof. Richard Lazarus and Prof. Jody Freeman of the Environmental Law Program, identifying areas of mutual interest and investigating future ideas for collaboration.

6. Other Contributions to the HLS Community

In addition to programming geared toward students already determined to pursue a career in animal law, ALPP collaborated with the Student Animal Legal Defense Fund (SALDF) group to co-sponsor a Harvard Animal Law & Policy Speaker Series to provide information about the field to the broader Harvard community. These lunchtime lectures drew crowds averaging around 75 students with some bringing in over 125 attendees.

In November, Chris Green, Delci Winders, and several other practitioners participated in an Animal Law Careers Panel at Harvard Law School—inspiring one student to spend her summer working for an animal protection organization. The event was so successful that ALPP staff replicated it at Suffolk Law School a few months later. Green also formed the first Harvard SALDF Alumni Advisory Board, composed of academics, practitioners, and recent graduates who provide a permanent resource to students. These alumni are available to offer mentoring and career advice, while also serving as a bridge to ensure organizational continuity and leadership succession within the Harvard SALDF.

7. Law Reform and Advocacy / Connections to the Profession

ALPP staff and fellows participate actively in a wide array of reform and advocacy activities, both domestically and internationally, maintaining deep connections with the profession.

Kristen Stilt serves on the Executive Committee of the Association of American Law Schools’ Section on Animal Law.
As the immediate past-Chair of the American Bar Association’s Animal Law Committee, Chris Green has continued to have a strong public presence in the field of Animal Law & Policy. He appeared on CNN, NPR, China’s CCTV, and in dozens of major media publications regarding his successful campaign to convince Delta and 45 other airlines to stop transporting exotic animal hunting trophies (and the subsequent litigation that ensued). He also was closely involved in the Massachusetts State Ballot Initiative, An Act to Prevent Cruelty to Farm Animals, which seeks to ban extreme forms of factory farm confinement. In that capacity he testified at Massachusetts State House legislative hearings and was interviewed by The Atlantic and Pacifica Radio. In October, Chris again was a speaker at the 2015 Animal Law Conference, lecturing on the subject “Beyond Litigation: Alternative Advocacy.” In November, he then spoke at the Austin Film Festival’s world premiere of Of Dogs and Men—a documentary about the pervasive problem of police shooting family dogs. Chris served as the film’s Executive Producer and is featured throughout discussing federal litigation and state legislative efforts to address the issue. He also was quoted in the article “The Case for Treating Animals as Humans” in relation to the premiere of the new documentary Unlocking the Cage, which chronicles the crusade of Steven Wise and the Nonhuman Rights Project in their campaign to win legal personhood for Chimpanzees. This March, Chris further participated in the first annual Wildlife in Crisis: An International Think Tank in Costa Rica. That summit paired U.S. experts in animal law and wildlife rescue with Central American conservationists to exchange ideas and develop strategies for combating the illegal trade in endangered species.

Animal Law & Policy Fellow Delci Winders was very active in commenting about animal law developments in high-profile media outlets as well. Those pieces included: “Arizona Legislators Should Not Protect Puppy Mills,” Arizona Daily Star (Mar. 28, 2016); “Who Knew About TB Risk from Elephants?,” Wall Street Journal (Apr. 4, 2016); “Elephants’ Final Bow Earns Mixed Reviews,” USA Today (May 3, 2016); “Don’t Force Elephants to Perform,” New York Times (May 10, 2016); and “Will New Tiger Protections Go Far Enough?,” Houston Chronicle (May 18, 2016). Delci was interviewed on Boston TV news putting the Harambe gorilla tragedy into the broader context of whether wild animals should be bred or kept in captivity at all: Is Zoo Liable for Harambe’s Death?, New England Cable News (June 1, 2016). Delci also played an active role in legislative initiatives related to her areas of animal protection expertise. In February, she provided key testimony and background support for the Cambridge City Council’s unanimous vote to pass an ordinance Prohibiting the Use of Wild and Exotic Animals in Traveling Shows and Circuses. Then in May, Delci testified at the Rhode Island General Assembly on behalf of a bill to prohibit the use of weapons to control elephants—successfully helping the legislation become the nation’s first state-wide Bullhook ban law.

Harvard’s international reach uniquely positions the Animal Law & Policy Program to assist with improving the treatment of animals through legal systems in other countries. ALPP staff have been working closely with a several animal advocates in Iran to help draft and enact that country’s first ever national anti-cruelty law, pursuing talks with the Dean of the University of Tehran School of Law about potential areas of collaboration, and helping advocates in Qatar become the first animal protection groups to qualify for official NGO status—a vital step for being able to advocate publicly and raise funds.
Animal Law & Policy Outreach

Nearly all of ALPP’s academic and public events generate subsequent press coverage that circulates widely through a variety of traditional, online and social media outlets—as well as the Program’s own website, Twitter feed, and Facebook page.

This year’s Animal Law Week again was extremely successful in boosting the visibility of Animal Law to the Harvard community. The Harvard Law Record published a thorough summary of the lectures entitled, In Winning Rights for Animals, Approaches Differ. Spreading the word more widely, the Harvard Communications Department then published a full feature article in Harvard Law Today under the title Focusing on Law and the Treatment of Animals. The Harvard Law Today feature spotlighted the growth of the Animal Law & Policy Program, provided a full review of all the events hosted that week, and embedded full-length videos of the Animal Law Week lectures. The University-wide newspaper, The Harvard Crimson, also published a full review of the Michael Pollan–Wayne Pacelle event that we co-sponsored, “Authors Advocate for Farm Animal Protection.”

The impact of Harvard University’s support was most striking with Harvard Magazine publishing “Are Animals “Things?” The Law Evolves,” a six-page, in-depth feature about the broader field of Animal Law and what we are seeking to accomplish with the Animal Law & Policy Program. The article in the March/April 2015 issue includes excerpts of extensive interviews with Kristen Stilt and Director Chris Green. Harvard Law School Communications Department subsequently used Harvard Magazine’s photograph of the Animal Law & Policy team for the landing page of Harvard Law School’s own website.

Collaboration with other Institutions

ALPP has engaged in collaboration with other legal institutions by agreeing to help organize scholarly workshops at venues other than HLS, such as the First Annual Research Roundtable on Animal Law and Regulation, held last July at Northwestern University School of Law’s Searle Center for Legal and Regulatory Studies. The event brought together scholars and practitioners to engage in a compelling exchange of ideas about current animal law research projects. Chris Green also is part of a team developing a one-week intensive “Animal Studies Institute” at his undergraduate alma mater, which recently won a competitive grant from the Animals & Society Institute to lead and host the new initiative. The summer 2017 event will feature seminars, workshops, and experiential learning for advanced graduate students and early career Ph.D.’s intent on developing their work in human-animal relations.

8. Collaborations with other Schools and Departments at HLS and Harvard University

Co-Hosted Events & Projects

ALPP co-hosted several educational conferences and symposia during its first year. In September the Program partnered with the Harvard Petrie-Flom Center for Health Law Policy, Biotechnology, and Bioethics to co-sponsor the Legal and Ethical Considerations of Non-Human Primates in Research, a discussion among scientists and scholars about the critical legal, ethical,
scientific, and social issues raised by research involving non-human primates (and the research centers that house them). In October, it partnered with a consortium of academic entities to co-sponsor the Second Annual HLS-UCLA Food Law and Policy Conference. This year’s topic was Drugs, Animals, and Food: Law & Policy of Antibiotics in the Food System and featured presentations by leading legal advocates, health sciences experts, and public policy scholars. Also in October, Kristen Stilt led a seminar on “Religion and Farmed Animals” for the first Food Law Student Leadership Summit, organized and hosted by the Harvard Food Law and Policy Clinic.

In March, ALPP sponsored a panel at the “Just Food? Forum on Land Use, Rights and Ecology—A Conference Exploring Land and the Food System.” Organized by the Harvard Food Law Society and the Food Literacy Project, the sold-out conference filled the Law School’s largest event space. The forum drew a broad array of scholars, farmers, activists, practitioners, and other authorities to explore the legal, moral, policy, health, historic, and environmental aspects of our modern domestic and international food system. The lecture sponsored by ALPP examined The Impossible Case of Sonny Nguyen, a South Carolina farmer and Vietnamese immigrant who provides a compelling example of the exploitative, unjust system in which commercial chickens are raised and large corporations pit poverty-line farmers against one another for basic subsistence.

In April, ALPP co-hosted an event at Memorial Church in Harvard Yard featuring Michael Pollan (author of The Omnivore’s Dilemma), who interviewed Wayne Pacelle, the President of the Humane Society of the United States, about his new book, The Humane Economy: How Innovators and Enlightened Consumers are Transforming the Lives of Animals. The conversation drew several hundred attendees from across the Harvard and greater Boston communities.

The Animal Law & Policy Program additionally is collaborating with the Harvard Food Law and Policy Clinic to formulate innovative student clinical research projects that address animal protection and welfare. One such project is already underway with The Good Food Institute, a newly created venture working with scientists, investors, and entrepreneurs to develop cultured and plant-based alternatives to products derived from animals. This past year several of our students worked on GFI projects exploring potential regulatory hurdles that might arise regarding the inspection, certification, labeling, and marketing of cultured and plant-based meat, dairy, and egg alternatives.

Boards and Committees

Kristen Stilt is a member of various University boards and committees—through which ALPP fosters connections with other parts of the University. These include:

- Steering Committee, Center for Middle Eastern Studies
- Advisory Board, Al-Waleed Islamic Studies Program
- Steering Committee, South Asia Institute
- Affiliate Faculty Member, Department of History
- Faculty Affiliate, Petrie-Flom Center for Health Law Policy, Biotechnology, and Bioethics.
B. PLANS FOR ACADEMIC YEAR: 2016-2017

1. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

We look forward to further developing our potential as we continue to create new opportunities for students, increase both the quantity and quality of academic scholarship in the field, and contribute to a broader public appreciation of the pressing issues addressed by the Harvard Animal Law & Policy Program. Two more generous gifts offered at the beginning of FY 17 will allow us to expand our capacity almost immediately by adding more Fellows to focus on policy issues and augment the experiential learning avenues for our students.

2. RESEARCH, SCHOLARSHIP AND PROJECT ACTIVITIES

ALPP is well into organizing its inaugural academic conference next December. The Animal Welfare Act at Fifty Conference will mark the fiftieth anniversary of the AWA’s 1966 enactment by convening experts from various fields to examine the evolution and implementation of the Act, assess its successes or failures, and explore areas for future improvement. The call for abstracts generated over 60 submissions from legal scholars, practitioners, government officials, other academics, and animal protection advocates. This public conference will be combined with a related academic workshop for legal scholars to produce articles with innovative recommendations for the AWA’s next half century. The Program is considering publishing an edited volume of the scholarship and conference panels.

The Program again will be partnering on the “Second Annual Research Roundtable on Animal Law and Regulation” at Northwestern University School of Law’s Searle Center for Legal and Regulatory Studies. This year the roundtable participants will more closely examine “Comparative Animal Protection Regulatory Schemes,” and Kristen will present her “Survey of Constitutional Provisions Regarding Animal Protection” while Jessica will be presenting “Animals in the Constitutional State.” The two plan to use the process to develop their encyclopedia work into a co-authored law review article.

At the Northwestern Roundtable Fellow Delci Winders also will present her latest work in progress about the Animal Welfare Act: “Administrative Agency Licensing Renewal Practices, Statutory Purposes, and Due Process: A Case Study.” Delci additionally will be presenting at two different conferences this coming October: first on “Captivity, Welfare, Conservation, and the Law” at Wesleyan University’s Human-Animal Studies 10th Anniversary Conference, and then on “Captive Wildlife” at this year’s 2016 Animal Law Conference in New York City.

As the result of relationships developed with several of last year’s workshop participants, ALPP staff are collaborating with scholars in China, India, Israel, and South Africa to potentially hold joint conferences and workshops in these home countries.
3. Contributions to HLS Teaching Program

Jonathan Lovvorn, Senior Vice President & Chief Counsel for Animal Protection Litigation at The Humane Society of the United States, will again teach Wildlife Law. Professor Kristen Stilt again will teach the introductory course, Property Law, in the Fall semester, and two Spring semester courses. For the Spring 2017 term Prof. Stilt will expand the Animal Law course to 3 credits, introducing students to the broad range of laws that affect non-human animals, including significant attention to the laws of other countries and to international law. She also would like to develop a future course in Comparative and International Animal Law.

Looking ahead, in Fall 2017 term ALPP will be offering a new course on Farmed Animal Law & Policy taught by David Wolfson. As the future of food increasingly occupies a central role in public and economic policy discussions, the course will deconstruct the legal framework underlying the use of animals for food. David taught Animal Law at Harvard in 2003 and has published extensively on the subject—most notably writing “Beyond the Law: Agribusiness and the Systemic Abuse of Animals,” published in the Animal Law Review, and co-authoring the chapter “Foxes In The Hen House; Animals, Agribusiness and the Law: A Modern American Fable” (with Mariann Sullivan) for the book Animal Rights: Current Debates And New Directions, co-edited by HLS Professor Cass Sunstein.

Paul Moorcroft, the head of Harvard College’s Environmental Science & Public Policy Program, additionally has approached Stilt and Green about collaborating with him to offer an undergraduate course in Animal Law & Policy.

4. Participation of HLS Students in Program Activities

We anticipate that student involvement with ALPP—already robust—will continue to expand as the Program grows. In addition to close collaboration with the Student Animal Legal Defense Fund group and the participation of large numbers of students in Program activities, there are several new students enrolling at HLS this fall who intend to focus on Animal Law.

The Program also is attracting graduate students interested in studying and writing LL.M. Papers and S.J.D. theses on topics related to Animal Law & Policy. This fall we will welcome a Canadian LL.M. who is writing about “Nonhuman Personhood”; she subsequently intends to apply to the S.J.D. program.

5. Faculty Participation

As ALPP becomes more established, we expect to continue to develop and strengthen ties to HLS and Harvard University faculty, and continue our collaborations with the Food Law and Policy Clinic, Food Law Lab, the Environmental Law Program, and Petrie-Flom Center for Health Law Policy, Biotechnology, and Bioethics.

6. Other Contributions to the HLS Community

The ALPP will continue collaborating with the Student Animal Legal Defense Fund (SALDF) to co-sponsor a Harvard Animal Law & Policy Speaker Series to provide information about the field to the broader Harvard community. We have been video recording these lectures and plan to make them all publicly available as a permanent resource this coming year as we make
improvements to our website. The ALPP also will continue participating in HLS-wide events and initiatives, such as Earth Day and the HLS Green Team.

7. Law Reform and Advocacy / Connections to the Profession

Chris Green has been invited to Beijing to participate in a meeting with officials and scholars in the Prime Minister’s State Council Research & Development Center, a think tank for national leaders on China's commercial dog meat trade. In September, Chris Green will represent the Harvard Animal Law & Policy Program as an observer to the Seventeenth Conference of the Parties of the Convention on the International Trade in Endangered Species (CITES) in Johannesburg, South Africa.

8. Collaborations with Other Schools and Departments at Harvard University

The Animal Law & Policy Program already has a major project underway with Harvard’s South Asia Institute examining the laws, policies, and practical experiences related to farming and other agricultural practices in South Asia, the Middle East and Asia.

PART TWO: Financial Reports Financial Statements

A. P&L and Fund Summary (attached)
B. Balance Sheets (attached)
C. Representation Letter (attached)
D. Additional Information

1. Staffing:
   Kristen Stilt, Faculty Director
   Chris Green, Executive Director
   Delcianna Winders, Academic Fellow
   Jessica Eisen, Graduate Scholar
   Ceallaigh Reddy, Program Administrator (beginning September 2016)

2. Payments to Harvard Personnel and Related Parties
   None

3. Other Arrangements:
   In addition to the Bradley Goldberg Fund, which is the primary source of our operating revenue, the Animal Law & Policy Program is permitted to use up to $10,000 per year for three years from the Bob Barker Fund (FY 15-FY17).

4. Fiscal Oversight

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