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#### STUDIA IURIDICA LXII

#### INTRODUCTION

Dear Readers,

Almost 18 years ago, in 1998, the Center for American Law, was established at the Faculty of Law and Administration of the University of Warsaw. This decision of the Warsaw law faculty and the University of Florida Levin College of Law to create the Center was a consequence of the changes of the political and economic system in Poland which opened more extensive economic, cultural and academic exchanges.

Now over 1,700 students have graduated from the Center for American Law which has made an unprecedented footprint on the Polish legal profession. Many of our graduates hold high positions in law offices, public administration, and NGOs. Study in the Center gave law students the opportunity to learn about the common law system, one of the major world legal systems, but also broadened their horizons and view of legal problems. For many of them, the Center for American Law gave an opportunity to extend their education in American law through participating in the LL.M and J.D. programs at many prestigious universities in the US, including Harvard, Columbia, NYU, Emory, Indiana, and the University of Florida, which received the highest number of LL.M. and J.D. exchange students from the Center.

This issue of **Studia Iuridica** is designed to commemorate the 15th anniversary of the establishment of the Center in connection with the Conference organized at the Faculty of Law and Administration of the University of Warsaw with the participation of scholars from the University of Warsaw and the University of Florida and representatives of the legal profession from both countries. The Conference on *Legal Education and Legal Profession in the Global World – Polish-American Perspectives* took place on June 16, 2014, and consisted of four panels on the following subjects:

- 1. The Law School of the Future: How We Need to Change-Legal Education to Adapt to the Rapidly Changing World.
  - 2. Foreign Law and Legal Systems: To Teach or not to Teach.

- 3. The Changing Role of Lawyers in the Global World.
- 4. Comparing Polish and American Law Teaching Methods: Lessons from the Past for the Future

In the four panels the panelists discussed issues concerning legal education and the legal profession. In spite of many differences in the legal systems and legal education, participants came to the conclusion that in both countries educators and lawyers face similar problems such as a smaller numbers of students applying to law schools, the necessity for restructuring legal education, the fact that technology advances faster than law and thus creates a new level of complexity for the legal profession, and the widening gap between legal education and the practice of law. They also discussed problems which are more characteristic for particular countries such as the lack of "market" and "competitive" forces influencing Polish legal education and the need for application those forces in Poland.

The discussion was also concerned with more philosophical problems in regard to what is nowadays the most important role of the law schools in education of future lawyers and which of three pillars – logos, ethos or pathos – law schools are primarily responsible for. Panelists also expressed the opinion that the role of law schools and lawyers today is not only to teach how to analyze and interpret the law, but also to teach how to accomplish certain missions by lawyers – to be good citizens, leaders, and defenders of the rule of law. Lawyers are in a privileged profession and their ability to learn law and how to interpret it also means that they have an obligation to use it to serve those who are less unfortunate and to provide "justice for all". As leaders, the obligation of lawyers is not only to know the law but also to have the ability to influence law and change it.

On the issue of foreign law, the panelists expressed their opinions that teaching foreign law is not only important because of globalization, but also it is the best way for lawyers to understand their own legal system. Knowing other legal systems, gives a better understanding of the legal issues and allows lawyers to understand better not only legal but also cultural differences. The rapid changes of the global world, caused by rapid communication, trade, and exchange, create more complex legal issues. In the context of the education of "new lawyers", comparative law courses and foreign law courses, such as the one offered by the Center for American Law, play an important role and fulfill the goals of legal education giving students broader perspectives for interpretation of their own law as well as knowledge of the foreign law system.

Globalization was also the topic of a broad discussion in the context of the role of law schools and the legal profession. In spite of the fact that many participants agreed that at present there is a need to educate global lawyers who have different skills necessary to adapt to different legal systems and the ability to deal with trans-border transactions, at the same time there is still a necessity for experts in national law. Participants discussed the role of lawyers in the modern world and

whether that role is actually different from what lawyers did in the past. Most expressed the opinion that because of the rapid changes the legal profession faces more challenges. Before, lawyers were lawyers, business people were taking care of business. Today more knowledge is required from lawyers and they need to have broader expertise besides the law, since they are more heavily involved in the decision making process. This change also causes many ethical issues. Additional challenges for lawyers come from new technologies, more complex cases, digitalization and internationalization of law. However, some panelists expressed the opinion that in some sense the role of a lawyer still is the same – the lawyer is someone who interprets the law, provides advice to his clients or represents them in court

Participants also discussed different teaching methods which may be applied at law schools, for example the Socratic method of teaching which is a widely used method at American universities. They also talked about innovative methods of teaching through participation of law students in moot court competitions which gives them an opportunity to improve their skills in legal writing and research and prepares them for team work on one hand and the competitive world of the legal profession on another. One of the panelists presented also a unique class designed at the Warsaw law school called CSI Warsaw whose goal is to introduce students to the practical aspects and issues of criminal investigations, forensic techniques, and criminal procedure.

The transcripts from the dynamic panel discussions at the Conference are enriched by several articles written by US and Polish scholars on related topics. I am confident that the interesting panel discussions of legal experts from both countries during the Conference, as well as the articles published in this issue of **Studia Iuridica** will enrich the discussion of the role of legal education and the legal profession globalization and will be an important voice on that problem worldwide.

I wish you inspiring and rewarding reading.

Ewa Gmurzyńska Center for American Law Studies

#### STUDIA IURIDICA LXII

JoAnn Klein University of Florida Ewa Gmurzyńska University of Warsaw

## HISTORY OF THE CENTER FOR AMERICAN LAW STUDIES

The Center for American Law Studies at University of Warsaw emerged from the vision of faculty members of the University of Warsaw Faculty of Law and Administration and the Levin College of Law at the University of Florida.

Following twenty-five years of collaboration between the University of Florida and various educational and legal institutions in Poland, the Center for American Law Studies held its opening ceremonies on October 5, 1998, marking the first class of ninety-two students who were admitted to the program.

During the next eighteen years more than 1,600 students and lawyers graduated from our Program. The quality of our program is demonstrated in the fact that we now have several lawyers practicing in each of the largest law firms in Poland. Additionally, the Warsaw offices of major U.S. firms are strongly encouraging potential job applicants to complete our Center for American Law Studies before joining their firms. The Program is designed for Polish law students of the third, fourth and fifth year, Erasmus students, as well as law school graduates with particular interest in the American legal system.

The program offered by the Center is a one-year program. During each academic year the Center offers ten courses. The courses are specially designed and selected to give students the best understanding of the common law system and unique issues of the American legal system, and to introduce the legal issues and problems which may be the most common in the students' future profession. Usually courses include topics such as: Intro to American Law, Constitutional Law, Torts, Legal Writing, Contacts, Business Law, ADR, and Professional Responsibility. Also other courses are taught in the program such as: Tax Law, Securities, Criminal law and Procedure, Property, Family Law, Environmental law, Securities, Intellectual Property.

During a one academic year nine courses are taught for two weeks and one course is taught for one week, five times a week for 1.5 hours – together it is 180

teaching hours (142 full hours). The courses are taught entirely by US professors. During the course of study, students are introduced to traditional and innovative teaching methods applied at American universities to insure a dynamic professional program. All the study materials necessary for class preparation are provided by the Center. After successful completion of the one-year course of study, students are awarded a certificate of completion.

Our graduates also have pursued the public service route, with many becoming judges or prosecutors. Poland participants represent the largest number of participants in the University of Florida Levin College of Law's LL.M. in comparative law degree program for foreign lawyers. Program graduates also have attended LL.M. programs at other U.S. universities, and about one-half of the LL.M. graduates from Poland have taken and passed the New York bar examination. Many of the Center graduates also received J.D. degree at US universities. In short, the impact of the Center is felt throughout the world, and the success of the program is easily measurable.

A major contribution to the success of our program has been the sponsorship of Warsaw-based law firms who are interested in hiring lawyers trained in American law.

As we celebrate eighteen year of the program in 2015–16 here's a look back at over thirty-five year history of our activities in Poland:

#### **Timeline of the Center for American Law Studies**

Highlights include:

#### 1968

Professors Julian Juergensmeyer and Andrzej Burzyński met during a summer program on comparative law held in England and discussed for the first time the possibility of a joint U.S.-Poland program.

#### 1973

Andrzej Burzyński taught comparative law as a visiting professor at the University of Florida (UF) College of Law.

#### 1973-1974

The UF College of Law, Trinity College of Cambridge University, England, and the Institute of Legal Sciences of the Polish Academy of Sciences in Warsaw jointly sponsored the Cambridge-Warsaw International Trade Law Program, the first opportunity for American law students to take law courses for credit in a European Socialist country.

#### 1975-1976, 1978, 1982-1984

The Cambridge-Warsaw Summer Program continued. UF faculty who participated were Fletcher Baldwin, Winston Nagan, Walter Weyrauch, Roy Hunt and Scott VanAlstyne. Polish lecturers included Andrzej Burzyński, Adam Łopatka, Marek Zieliński, Ewa Łętowska, Janusz Łętowski, Stanisław Gebethner, Stanisław Sołtysiński, Michał Kulesza and Wojciech Sokolewicz.

#### 1976

Dr. Adam Łopatka, Director of the Institute of State and Law of the Polish Academy of Sciences, visited the University of Florida and discussed the Cambridge-Warsaw International Trade Law program with Dean Richard Julin.

First conference co-sponsored by the UF College of Law's Center for Governmental Responsibility and the Institute of State and Law of the Polish Academy of Sciences was organized in Warsaw with the topic of "Parliamentary and Extra-Administrative Forms of Protection of Citizens' Rights". The conference was co-sponsored by the German Marshall Fund of the United States. Representing the UF College of Law at the Warsaw symposium were Professors Julian Juergensmeyer, Jon Mills and Fletcher Baldwin.

#### 1980

The University of Florida granted the degree of doctor honoris causa to Adam Łopatka, formerly of the Polish Academy of Sciences, who initially supported early faculty exchanges between Warsaw and the UF College of Law.

#### 1981

UF College of Law Professor Robert Moberly (now Dean Emeritus of the law school at the University of Arkansas) spent a sabbatical semester as a Visiting Lecturer at the Polish Academy of Sciences.

#### 1986

A conference on "Current Legal Issues Impacting East-West Trade" was cosponsored by the UF College of Law and the Polish Chamber of Foreign Trade. Participants from UF were Dean Frank T. Read, Julian Juergensmeyer, Michael Gordon, Winston Nagan, Fletcher Baldwin and James Nicholas.

The first annual "Introduction to American Law" program, sponsored by the UF College of Law, was held. The program introduced lawyers from throughout the world (including many Polish lawyers) to the legal systems of the United States. The program was coordinated by Fletcher and Nancy Baldwin. Polish participants included Janusz Adamkowski, Piotr Szczerba, Wojciech Bialik, Maria Zawalonka, Ewa Gmurzyńska, Andrzej Wiśniewski, Joanna Tomaszek, Piotr Badura and Joanna Gomuła.

The Second International Symposium on Current Legal Issues Impacting East-West Trade was held in Warsaw. UF participants included Julian Juergensmeyer, James Nicholas and Dean Jeff Lewis.

#### Pre-1990s

Faculty of the UF College of Law and University of Warsaw maintained an exchange program. Foreign enrichment professors who visited UF from Poland included Andrzej Burzyński, Józef Okolski, Jerzy Modrzejewski, Michał Kulesza, Stanisław Gebethner and Stanisław Sołtysiński.

#### 1990

Polish attorney Ewa Gmurzyńska joined the staff of the Center for Governmental Responsibility (CGR) at the UF College of Law as a Staff Attorney.

The UF College of Law and Center for Governmental Responsibility sponsored the conference, "Law and International Business in Post-Socialist Poland", under partial sponsorship of the German Marshall Fund. Polish speakers included Stanisław Sołtysiński, Senator Jerzy Stępień, Michał Kulesza, Wojciech Sokolewicz and Andrzej Burzyński.

The Center for Governmental Responsibility conducted a study tour of Florida for a Polish delegation of elected officials, governmental officials and professionals, as part of the conference follow up. The delegation – which included a Polish national senator and three law professors – met with local government officials, U.S. Senator Bob Graham, authorities at two Florida ports, and Chamber of Commerce officials in two Florida cities.

Center for Governmental Responsibility Director Jon Mills served on a panel addressing "Legal Issues Related to Setting up a Joint Venture in Poland" as part of The Second Investors' Forum, held in Warsaw.

#### 1991

The UF College of Law is designated "Sister Law School" to University of Warsaw's Faculty of Law and Administration under the American Bar Association's Central and Eastern European Law Initiative (CEELI) Program. Professors James Nicholas and Fletcher Baldwin visited Poland in the 1990s as part of the program.

The Center for Governmental Responsibility hosted three Polish officials and educators in an internship, sponsored by the Rockefeller Brothers Foundation, in cooperation with Rutgers University's Foundation in Support of Local Democracy in Poland Program. The program was coordinated by JoAnn Klein and Ewa Gmurzyńska. The interns were placed in the Florida Departments of Environ-

mental Regulation, Natural Resources, Community Affairs and Tourism, and experienced other professional opportunities to visit Florida's state parks, tourist attractions, universities and city and county governments. They were joined by three additional interns who had been assigned to placements in New Jersey through Rutgers. All six were hosted at CGR for a week to review and conclude their internships and prepare for application of their experiences to their various Polish cities and towns. Participants included elected local government officials, university professors and public employees. Among them was Marek Agopsowicz of Olsztyn Agricultural and Technical University, who subsequently would become a Polish coordinator of the local government training program. He first brought the attention of CGR to the needs of Northeastern Poland.

The Center for Governmental Responsibility, through the University of Florida Research Foundation, executed a contract with West Publishing Company, through its WESTLAW program, to translate Polish laws and treaties into an on-line, English language database. The database went on-line March 5, 1992.

The Center for Governmental Responsibility hosted two Polish local government officials for meetings with city and county officials. Their itinerary included meetings with city and county officials, and educational and cultural events.

#### May 1992

Ewa Gmurzyńska of the Center for Governmental Responsibility and UF College of Law Professor Julian Juergensmeyer visited Olsztyn, Poland, to continue meetings regarding establishing a cooperative agreement in the region.

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Center for Governmental Responsibility Director Jon Mills and UF College of Law Professor James Nicholas visited Olsztyn, Poland, to continue meetings regarding establishing a cooperative agreement in the region.

The Center for Governmental Responsibility signed an agreement of cooperation with Olsztyn Agricultural and Technical University, Olsztyn Sejmik, and the University of Central Florida (UCF) to develop a local government training program for the voivodships of Olsztyn, Elblag and Suwałki.

#### 1992-1993

The Center for Governmental Responsibility received a grant from the United States Information Agency, Office of Citizen Exchanges, for a "Northeastern Poland Local Government Training Program". Sixteen local government officials and staff were trained in internships and seminars in Florida. The program was coordinated by JoAnn Klein and Ewa Gmurzyńska of CGR.

A University of Florida/University of Central Florida team visited Northeastern Poland and met with local government officials in eight cities and the voivodships of Olsztyn and Suwałki. Dr. Robert Denhardt of the Department of Public Administration led the UCF project team.

The Center for Governmental Responsibility signed a second agreement of cooperation with Olsztyn Agricultural and Technical University, Olsztyn Sejmik and the University of Central Florida to continue developing a local government training program, with a goal toward establishing a permanent training center for local governments in Northeastern Poland.

The "Florida/Poland Club" was organized, comprised of the first group of USIA-sponsored interns. The club began monthly meetings to offer support and plans for implementing training from the United States.

#### 1994

The Center for Governmental Responsibility partnered with the Center for Training, Research and Education for Environmental Occupations (TREEO) at the University of Florida and the Technical University of Mining and Metallurgy (AGH) to offer the "Integrated Solid Waste Management Course for the Silesia Region of Poland", funded by the U.S. Agency for International Development. John Tucker of the Center for Governmental Responsibility participated as a lecturer. After CGR/TREEO faculty offered training in the Silesian region, funded by USAID, they traveled at their own expense to Olsztyn in Northeastern Poland to conduct training there.

A University of Florida/University of Central Florida team visited Northeastern Poland for meetings with local government officials in four cities, representing the voivodships of Olsztyn and Elbląg.

The Center for Governmental Responsibility signed a third agreement of cooperation with Olsztyn Agricultural and Technical University, Olsztyn Sejmik and UCF to continue developing the local government training center. This agreement included the Foundation in Support of Local Democracy from Olsztyn and consolidated local government training programs in the region.

The Center for Governmental Responsibility hosted Olsztyn Sejmik President Marek Żyliński for a visit to Florida to study local government operation and management and to meet with economic development officials in the region. The trip was funded by CGR and UCF.

#### 1994-1995

The Center for Governmental Responsibility received a grant from USIA for the Northeastern Poland Local Government Center Program. Twelve local government interns from three voivodships were trained in Florida. The program was coordinated by JoAnn Klein and Ewa Gmurzyńska of CGR.

#### 1995

A Center for Governmental Responsibility/University of Central Florida team traveled to Northeastern Poland to offer training courses there for local government officials and staff

The UF College of Law hosted a visiting faculty member from University of Warsaw through the Sister Law School Program.

The Center for Governmental Responsibility received approval from USIA for a no-cost extension to use remaining funds to bring three additional local government interns to Florida. The interns visited in November.

#### 1996

A Florida team member visited Olsztyn to initiate a strategic planning program for the city.

Dr. Jerzy Modrzejewski, Vice Dean, University of Warsaw Faculty of Law and Administration, was a visiting professor at the UF College of Law and began discussions regarding establishment of an Center for American Law Studies at Warsaw

#### 1997

Ewa Gmurzyńska became the first Polish lawyer to graduate from the UF Levin College of Law's LL.M. Program in Comparative Law. As of 2008, twenty-seven more Polish attorneys have attended the LL.M. program in Florida.

The Center for Governmental Responsibility and UF College of Law faculty (Julian Juergensmeyer, JoAnn Klein, Ewa Gmurzyńska) conducted follow-up meetings in Warsaw regarding establishment of an Center for American Law Studies.

Professor Marek Wąsowicz, Vice President of University of Warsaw visits Gainesville to discuss possibility of further cooperation of UW and UF

#### 1997

UF College of Law Dean Richard A. Matasar visited University of Warsaw. The invitation of Law Dean Józef Okolski, to conduct further meetings regarding establishment of an Center for American Law Studies.

#### 1998

Ninety-two students were selected for admission to the first class at the new Center for American Law Studies.

Michał Kulesza, Secretary of State in the Polish Cabinet of Ministers and Minister of Administrative Reform and Professor at the University of Warsaw Faculty of Law and Administration, was a visiting professor of comparative law at the UF College of Law.

#### October 5, 1998

Opening ceremonies were held for the Center for American Law Studies, a collaborative venture between the UF Levin College of Law and the University of Warsaw Faculty of Law and Administration. Keynote speakers for the opening ceremonies were Steve Uhlfelder of Holland & Knight and U.S. Ambassador to Poland Daniel Fried. Leading University of Warsaw were Rector Włodzimierz Siwiński and Vice Rector Marek Wasowicz, former Vice Dean of the law school.

#### October 12, 1998

Classes began for the Center for American Law Studies at University of Warsaw. Professor Liz Lear was the first professor, teaching Introduction of American Law. Seven additional courses were taught during the 1998–99 academic year.

Dean Józef Okolski of the University of Warsaw Faculty of Law and Administration was a visiting professor of comparative law at the UF College of Law.

The first graduation ceremony for the Center for American Law Studies in Warsaw was held. The speaker was Martha Barnett, then President of the American Bar Association.

#### 1999 to Date

The Center for American Law Studies began collecting in 1999 an American Law Library now consisting of more than 300 volumes, named in memory of Andrzej Burzyński, a member of White & Case and long-time UF collaborator and visiting professor.

#### 1999-2000

Five Polish students were enrolled in the University of Florida Levin College of Law's LL.M. program, a direct result of Centers program.

#### 2000

The Center for American Law Studies organized the first Polish Moot Court team with University of Warsaw, which competed in the Jessup International Moot Court Competition in Washington, D.C. Three additional teams have competed since 2000, and have placed as high as 12th in the international competition.

Former Florida Supreme Court Justice Ben Overton was the speaker at the second graduation of the Center for American Law Studies.

Four UF law students – Michael Fackler, Stanley Galewski, Miguel Suau and David Migut – served as externs in Polish governmental agencies, including the Arbitration Court at the Polish Chamber of Commerce, Ministry of Justice, Regional Development Department at the Ministry of the Economy, and Department of Harmonization of Law

#### 2000-2001

Two Polish students were enrolled in the University of Florida's LL.M. program.

#### 2001

Former Florida gubernatorial counsel Dexter Douglass was the speaker at the third graduation of the Center for American Law Studies.

#### 2001-2002

One Polish student was enrolled in the University of Florida LL.M. program.

#### 2002

Attorney Michael Papantonio of Levin, Papantonio & Thomas in Pensacola, Florida, was speaker at the fourth graduation of the Center for American Law Studies.

#### 2002-2003

One Polish student was enrolled in the University of Florida LL.M. program.

#### 2003-2004

Three UF Levin College of Law students – Ryan Cobbs, Joshua Clark and Bridie Buetell – attended exchange program at University of Warsaw

#### 2003-2004

Three Polish students were enrolled in the University of Florida LL.M. program.

#### June 16, 2003

The fifth graduation ceremony of the Center for American Law Studies and a commemorative 30th anniversary of cooperation between UF and Polish institutions celebration scheduled. Florida attorney Steven Zack was keynote speaker. Presiding over the ceremonies were Dean and Professor Tadeusz Tomaszewski of University of Warsaw's Faculty of Law and Administration and Dean and Professor Jon Mills of the UF Levin College of Law.

#### 2004

U.S. Deputy Chief of Mission Cameron Munter of the U.S. Embassy in Warsaw participate in sixth graduation.

#### 2004-2005

Two Polish students were enrolled in the University of Florida LL.M. program.

The seventh graduation ceremony of the Center for American Law Studies was held, and attorney John Upchurch of Daytona Beach, Florida, was the speaker.

#### 2005-2006

Four Polish students were enrolled in the University of Florida LL.M. program.

#### **October 7, 2005**

Center for American Law Studies sponsors the Conference on "Mediation – New Method of Dispute Resolution in Civil Cases" at University of Warsaw with participation of Dean Jon Mills, Professor Don Peters, Justice Ben Overton, and mediator John Upchurch.

#### 2005

Center for Dispute and Conflict Resolution established at University of Warsaw in cooperation with Center for American Law Studies and University of Warsaw Faculty of Law and Administration.

#### 2006

The eighth graduation ceremony of the Center for American Law Studies was held, and U.S. Magistrate Judge Elizabeth A. Jenkins of Tampa was the speaker.

#### 2006-2007

One Polish student in LL M

#### November, 2006

University of Warsaw Law School Dean Tadeusz Tomaszewski is a visitor at the University of Florida.

#### 2007

The ninth graduation ceremony of the Center for American Law Studies was held, and attorney Andy Hall of Miami, a native of Poland, was the speaker and Dean Robert Jerry.

#### 2007-2008

Three Polish students participate in LL.M.

#### 2008

The tenth graduation ceremony of the Center for American Law Studies was held and commemorated with Polish-American Symposium on Current Legal Issues and Legal Education in a Global Society commemorating the 10th anniversary of the Center. Speakers from UF included: Dean Robert Jerry, Professor Henry Wihnyk, Professor Jon Mills, Professor Tom Hurst, Professor Don Peters, Professor Julian Juergensmeyer, attorney John Upchurch and attorney Andy Hall.

The student exchange agreement is signed between two law schools.

#### 2009-2010

Four Polish students are coming for the exchange program at UF.

#### 2011

LL.M. scholarship for graduate of the Center for American law Studies is funded by the law firm of Slawomir Platta of New York, the former graduate of the Center.

#### September, 2011

Visit of Professor Katarzyna Chałasińska-Macukow, President of University of Warsaw and Professor Tadeusz Tomaszewski, Provost of UW at the University of Florida

The reciprocal agreement on students exchange is signed between University of Warsaw and UF College of Liberal Arts Agreement.

#### 2011-2012

Four Polish students are coming for the exchange program at UF.

One Polish student in LL.M.

Professor Tomasz Giaro, Vice Dean, is a visiting professor at UF.

#### 2012

Frederic Levin visited Warsaw with several members of his family and met with the: Professor Małgorzata Gersdorf – Vice President of the University of Warsaw and Professor Tomasz Giaro – Vice Dean of Faculty of Law and Administration of the University of Warsaw.

#### 2013

Andy Hall is a graduation speaker.

Maria Kenig-Witkowska is a visiting professor at UF.

#### 2014-2015

One Polish student in LL.M.

Center received a one year grant from the U.S. Department of State to provide information about American law to Polish judges PAJRAP – Polish American Judicial Research Assistance Program. The program provides funds for UW and UF law students to be employed as legal research assistants, working under the supervision of UW and UF law faculty. The pilot program is based on cooperation between the Polish Ministry of Justice and both law schools to provide information about American law for Polish judges.