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Jennifer Sisk

April 20, 2016

To/dr:rant patriarchy

In my finals hours of law school I'm grateful for the professor who spends the entire lecture bemoaning the workaholic, alcohol, mental health problems in the profession yet argues the only jobs worth taking are biglaw jobs with starting salaries at 120,000. Who reminds us that public service jobs are a waste of time because you "just burn out after 5 maybe 6 years" and where's the paycheck plus what law firm will hire you after one of those? And then ends the lecture with a class hypo about women who are asked if they plan to start families soon in their interviews and then uses our answers to talk about how poor firms hire these women and then "many" end of getting pregnant, taking full maternity leave and then just quitting right away.

I'm truly grateful for rich white men reminding me the true purpose of the law is money, except for women lawyers where the true purpose is money until you are lucky enough to find a man willing to knock you up....

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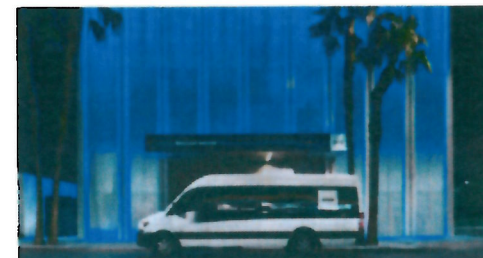
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To the extent you can, make a list of each thing he said and exactly what he said. If you can gather together other people from your class to co-sign, that's even better.

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Jennifer Sisk Thanks for the support and suggestions. It was an adjunct teacher whose day job is as a federal judge, Becca- Gorsuch. I'm reaching out to speak to both our Dean, who is leaving, and Dean of Students, who is staying. He's been pretty firmly white-shoe-is-the-worthy-career all semester which is grating and at odds with the reality of our school. However the comments about women attorneys is just inexcusable.

Like Reply April 20, 2016 at 12:22pm



Argg. I'm frustrated with you.

Like Reply April 20, 2016 at 12:25pm



To save everyone else from Googling this toolbox: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Neil_Gorsuch

Neil Gorsuch - Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia

Neil McGill Gorsuch (born August 29, 1967 in Denver, Colorado) is a federal judge on the United States Court of Appeals for the Tenth Circuit.[1] He is the son of Anne Burford, the first female head of the United States Environmental Protection Agency.

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Ugh. This guy is in my circuit. What are your recording consent laws like? Maybe the media would like to know about this?

Like Reply 2 April 20, 2016 at 2:47pm



Of course it was--we just had a judge fired midsemester for her harassing comments towards the women in her trial ad class. She was my evidence prof and she was batshit.

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His mother was an attorney and Republican politician. Apparently she had a career and kids.

Like Reply April 20, 2016 at 11:52pm Edited



Jesus. I do NOT want to think about him bringing those biases to the bench.

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I'm pretty sure I know someone who clerked for him. He was a real jerk to work for as well.

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And on a side note: I work in one office of the 9 office NH Public Defender's office has 10 offices. 10 offices a best that 7, can...

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