**Poverty Law, Policy & Practice (Law 266.5)**

Thursday, 4:25-6:15 pm

Boalt Hall Room 134

Spring 2013

1/10/13 Assignment

For class on Thursday, 1/10, please do the following:

First, review these short videos and one newspaper article:

* U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops, Campaign for Human Development,[*Living in Poverty U.S.A.: What’s Life Like at the Poverty Line?*](http://www.usccb.org/about/catholic-campaign-for-human-development/videos.cfm) (2011).
* Robert Rector, Heritage Foundation, [*The New “Poor”: Big Houses, Flatscreen TVs, AC*](http://www.heritage.org/multimedia/video/2012/12/rr-fox-and-friends-poverty) (December 1, 2012).
* New York Times, [*Even Critics of Safety Net Increasingly Depend on It*](http://www.nytimes.com/2012/02/12/us/even-critics-of-safety-net-increasingly-depend-on-it.html?pagewanted=all&_r=0)(February 11, 2012) (the article includes video and an interactive map).

Second, identify a recent news article or story that relates to domestic poverty. In no more than a single page:

(1) write a brief summary of the story;

(2) describe how it informs your understanding of poverty; and

(3) comment on the relationship between the story and law, lawyers and legal institutions.

Turn in a hard copy at the beginning of class on Thursday, attach the article if you’d like, and keep a copy for yourself so you can share your thoughts with the whole class (I will ask you to keep your laptops closed for now).

I look forward to seeing you on Thursday.