Dear Students,

Welcome back to school!

The first meeting of Sex Discrimination Law, L06.3553, will be on Thursday, August 26, from 4:05-5:55. Please come to class prepared to discuss the following material:

Class 1: Historical Background

Text: 11-17; 28-44; 51-55; 95-116

History of the American women's movement; its relationship to other social, political and legal events. In what ways did the practices described in the readings subordinate women? To what extent did these practices differentiate among women? What were the historic roots of the relationship between sexism and racism and homophobia? Does the early twentieth century debate over the legality of protective labor legislation have ramifications for the feminist movement today? What are the most important sex discrimination issues today? How, if at all, can those issues be addressed through legal strategies?

If you have questions, Deborah Ellis can be reached at the Public Interest Law Center, Furman Hall, 4th Floor, 998-6668; ellisd@juris.law.nyu.edu. Yolanda Wu can be reached at 718-788-0410; yw10@nyu.edu. We are happy to schedule meetings with students before and after class, to discuss papers, issues in the course, or career questions you may have.