

## INTERNATIONAL SEMINAR

**Title :-“ Government Regulation of Innovative Technology: The problems and Prospects of Unmanned Aerial Vehicles (Drones)”**

**Date :- 8<sup>th</sup> September,2018.**

**Speaker :- Prof. William Fox(Practicing Attorney and a Professor of Law for more than thirty five years)**

With the objective of keeping its students abreast with the latest developments in the legal field, Lloyd Law College organized an International Seminar on Government Regulation of Innovative Technology: The problems and Prospects of Unmanned Aerial Vehicles (Drones)”. Prof. William Fox was invited to deliver a lecture on the topic.

Prof. William Fox is the Adjunct Professor at American Public University System, USA and Honorary Fellow, CEPMLP. Sir is a practicing attorney and a professor of law for more than thirty five years. He currently serves as Distinguished Visiting Professor, Penn State Law School, University Park, Pennsylvania and also as an Honorary Fellow at the Centre for Energy, Mineral & Petroleum Law & Policy, University of Dundee, Scotland. He began teaching in 1973 at Boston University School of Law and continued his teaching career with thirty one year stint at the Columbus School of Law, The Catholic University of America where he also served as dean of the law school (2003-2005).Professor Fox has worked as an attorney or served as a law professor in more than 30 different countries including an appointment as senior lecturer, the Fulbright Program, Bandung, Indonesia. He has been a senior associate member at St. Antony's College, Oxford and a visiting scholar at the London School of Economics. Professor Fox is the author of numerous journal articles and more than seven books including Understanding Administrative Law (Lexis/Nexis 6th edition 2012) and International Commercial Agreements (Kluwer Law International, 4th edition, 2009).



Prof. Fox shared with the students his personal experience of flying drones and the regulatory problems that he got to face while he was at it. The lecture commenced with a brief introduction to UAVs and its diverse usages ranging from handling dangerous inspections to collecting topographical data to monitoring stockpile inventories. The lecture further enlightened the students about the safety and privacy concerns relating to surveillance, security, privacy, and technology which have hindered widespread commercial UAV use, at least until now. The commercial usage of drones was discussed along with related legal issues, such as privacy law, aviation law, international criminal law, and comparative law. The students learnt about the new regulatory development in the field which appears to clear the way for businesses to benefit from the many commercial uses for UAVs.

The lecture was focused upon the issues and regulatory model of commercial drones and the need of a broader framework for commercial drones. The session concluded with a question and answers session with students asking questions on the privacy laws and need for structured regulations in the field.

