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Monthly Newsletter

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Supreme Court Case Again Challenges Death in Prison Sentences for Juvenile Offenders

Earlier this month, the Supreme Court heard arguments in *Mathena v. Malvo*, which asks the court to clarify their earlier prohibition on mandatory life without parole sentencing for juvenile offenders. [Read](#) more about how this case is particularly interesting to CRJC.



Katie: Congressional Sexual Misconduct in Light of Double Standards and “Revenge Porn”



As October was wrapping up, one last scandal rocked Washington and posed questions on gender roles, media privacy, and sexual misconduct. Freshman California Representation Katie Hill made news after intimate photos of her were leaked. [Read](#) more about how the affair quickly caught fire in the media but also brought light to the dangerous line

between work relationship and romantic relations between an employer and an employee.

Operation Varsity Blues: Widespread Bribery in College Admissions

This month, parents, athletic coaches, and test administrators are facing new charges for their involvement in the nationwide college admissions scandal. [Read](#) about the ways in which high-



profile celebrity parents have garnered massive media interest in the issue, bringing awareness to the inequities in college admissions and the influence of wealth on the meritocracy that the nation’s public education system claims to uphold.

Supreme Court Weighs Whether the Civil Rights Act Protects LGBTQ Workers from Discrimination



This month, the Supreme Court heard oral arguments to consider whether Title VII of the Civil Rights Act protects LGBTQ workers from being discriminated against based on their identity and sexual orientation. [Read](#) more about employment discrimination cases involving gay men and a transgender woman were presented before the Court to

incite an important discussion about how to interpret the definition of “sex” in Title VII.