



Student Services Weekly Newsletter

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Noteworthy Recent Job Postings

Please pay attention to the Symplicity Job Board, as a number of new, great positions are now posted. For more information on each, please refer to the individual job posting on Symplicity.

1Ls and 2Ls: Corneille Law Group, LLC, a Madison defense litigation firm, needs a law clerk to begin as soon as possible, for up to 40 hours a week this summer and possibly continuing part-time into the fall. The position is paid.

2Ls: Kasdorf, Lewis & Swietlik, S.C., a Milwaukee litigation firm with a statewide practice, is seeking a paid summer law clerk for 30-40 hours per week.

2Ls: Stellpflug Law, S.C. in De Pere, WI seeks a 2011 summer law clerk. Stellpflug offers an excellent learning environment with 14 attorneys practicing in a variety of legal areas.

2Ls: Rose and deJong, S.C. in Milwaukee is seeking a summer law clerk to assist the attorneys in conducting legal research and basic drafting of legal documents.

3Ls: University of Arizona James E. Rogers College of Law is hiring a one-year fellow for its Bacon Immigration Law and Policy Program to begin August of 2011.

3Ls: Heins Law Office, a small employment firm in Mequon, WI, is seeking a motivated, success-oriented associate for full-time trial practice in state and federal court and administrative agencies.

3Ls: Kaplan Law Firm in Mequon, WI has an opening for an immediate law clerk/paralegal developing into a full-time associate attorney position at its family law & small general civil boutique practice.

3Ls: Gamino Law Offices in Waukesha, WI is looking for someone to join its Milwaukee office who has a primary interest in criminal defense (mainly indigent), although the candidate would be able to explore other areas of interest as well.

National Black Prosecutors Association Annual Job Fair

The National Black Prosecutors Association Annual Job Fair will be held on Tuesday, July 26th at the Minneapolis Marriott City Center in Minneapolis, Minnesota. The goal of the NBPA Job Fair is to promote diversity in prosecutors' offices by providing a forum where law students, recent law graduates, and experienced attorneys from across the nation can meet and interview with

prospective prosecutorial employers at the local, state, and federal levels.

The early registration fee for the Job Fair is \$25.00 for law students and increases to \$50.00 after May 20th. Job fair participants can go to the website at www.blackprosecutors.org and register online.

If you have any questions or would like more information, you can stop by Career Services and pick up a flyer or contact Audrey Moore (the Job Fair Coordinator) at (212) 335-4205 or moorea@dany.nyc.gov. Additional information about the NBPA and the conference is also available on the following website: www.blackprosecutors.org.

LexisNexis ID for Public Service Work

Law firms of all sizes are hiring fewer interns and associates due to the economy and changing legal marketplace. For many law students and graduates, public service work has become an excellent path to gain experience and improve resumes.

LexisNexis is pleased to provide all students and graduates (including December 2010 graduates) who work for eligible organizations the opportunity to apply for a unique ASPIRE ID to access certain LexisNexis services free of charge. Review the eligibility requirements for ASPIRE and register for an ID if your public service work qualifies: <http://www.lexisnexis.com/lawschool/content.aspx?articleid=739&topicid=11>.

Cover Letter Writing Workshop

On April 14th in Rm. 5229 from 12:25-1:15, Jennifer Larson from Career Services will discuss the basics of writing a persuasive cover letter. The cover letter is an incredibly important aspect of your application materials and knowing how to best craft this document will assist you no matter what year you are in law school. Pizza will be provided, so RSVP to ensure there is enough for everyone.

3Ls: Loan Repayment Assistance Program

If you have secured, or hope to secure, a postgraduate position with a non-profit organization or government agency with an annual salary of \$44,000 or less, you may qualify for a Loan Repayment Assistance Program (LRAP) Grant. Applications will be available in the Career Services Office on Tuesday, April 12, and **are due by Friday, May 7, 2011 at 12:00 p.m. (NOON)**.

PLEASE BE AWARE THAT YOU DO NOT NEED TO HAVE SECURED A POSITION WITH A NON-PROFIT OR GOVERNMENT AGENCY BY MAY 7! IN ORDER TO QUALIFY FOR A LOAN REPAYMENT ASSISTANCE GRANT, YOU ONLY NEED TO HAVE SECURED A QUALIFYING POSITION BY APRIL 1, 2012.

If you have any questions, please contact Jane Heymann at jhey mann@wisc.edu.

2Ls and 3Ls: Timeline for Judicial Clerkship Applications

If you will be applying for judicial clerkships that begin in 2012, you MUST stop by Career Services and pick up a document entitled "Checklist of Important Deadlines." This document contains the deadlines that are important in the judicial clerkship application process, some of which are mandatory internal deadlines. **The first such deadline is May 1, which is the date you must inform Career Services of your intent to apply for judicial clerkships and the names of your faculty recommenders.**

If you have any questions, please contact Jane Heymann at jhey mann@wisc.edu.

2Ls and 3Ls: Join the Judicial Clerkship Email Listserv

The Career Services Office maintains a judicial clerkship email listserv, through which we communicate with students about judicial clerkship opportunities, important deadlines, etc. If you haven't already joined the email listserv and want to do so, please inform Jane Heymann at jhey mann@wisc.edu.

1Ls and 2Ls: Sign up to Attend a Career Services Orientation about Fall On-Campus and Off-Campus Recruiting Programs

On Monday, April 18, and Friday, April 22, the Career Services Office will present two identical orientation sessions for 1Ls and 2Ls who want to participate in our Fall 2011 on-campus interviewing program, or any of the many off-campus job fairs that will be occurring in August. Topics will include deadlines for the various job fairs; when to submit your resume and cover letter for review; when and how to bid for interviews with employers who

are participating in our on-campus interviewing program; how and when to apply to legal employers who are not participating in our on-campus interview program; etc.

1Ls must attend one of these sessions if they want to participate in either fall OCI or one of the off-campus recruitment programs. A recording will be available for students who cannot attend due to a class conflict.

The April 18 session is from 12:25 to 1:15 in Room 2260; the April 22nd session is from 2:30 to 3:30 in Room 2260. Please RSVP in Symplicity under "spring CSO Orientation."

3Ls: Sign Up to Attend a Presentation on Financial Aid Options for Graduating Law Students

On April 15th, from 2:30 to 3:30 in RM. 2211, there will be a presentation on financial aid options for graduating 3Ls. The presenter is Mr. Ben Dobner of the Great Lakes Higher Education Council (the loan servicer where many students send their financial aid payments). This presentation is targeted towards graduating law students and will cover loan repayment options and debt management strategies upon graduation. This presentation is also open to 1L and 2L students who are interested in learning more about financial aid.

Please RSVP in Symplicity so we know how many students to expect and bring the right amount of materials. In addition, snacks (Greenbush donuts) will be provided.

3Ls: Interested In Starting A Solo Practice?

Attend The State Bar Of Wisconsin's "Considerations for Starting a Law Practice" on April 16th in Pewaukee, WI.

The Law Office Management Section (LOMS) of the State Bar of Wisconsin is pleased to invite you to attend the "Considerations for Starting a Law Practice" seminar. The sessions are designed to help you through the process of planning and starting your own practice. The program will give you information about creating a practice from the ground up: from where you want to locate your office, to what you need in the office, to how to attract clients.

The cost is only \$20 for law students. For more information, visit: <http://tinyurl.com/3r3s8xt>.

Free Job-Search Webinar for Students Interested in Public Service Careers

NALP presents "Destination Public Interest: Landing the Ideal Public Interest Job." This free webinar, designed for 3Ls and recent graduates who are pursuing public interest jobs, offers best practices and concrete tips in the areas of cover letter and resume drafting, as well as interviewing and professional networking. View the webinar at www.nalp.org/destination_public_interest.

Off-campus Job Fairs

In case any of you are already making end-of-summer travel plans, here are the dates of some off-campus job fairs that our "rising" 2L and 3L students are eligible to participate in: August 12: West Coast Job Fair in San Francisco; Cook County Minority Job Fair in Chicago. August 17: DC Off Campus Job Fair in Washington DC. August 19: New York Off Campus Job Fair in New York City.

Are you interested in economic justice issues? Want some hands-on experience?

The Pro Bono Partnership has teamed up with the Wisconsin Labor & Industry Review Commission to bring you a tremendous opportunity helping to prepare hearing summaries for low-income citizens. Learn valuable attorney skills while listening to short hearings on your own schedule. Budget cuts have made it increasingly difficult for low-income individuals to get the legal documents they need to represent themselves *pro se*. You can help them exercise their rights.

Interested? Contact Project Coordinator, Henry Weiner, at hweiner@wisc.edu.

18th Annual DuPont Legal Minority Job Fairs

The Saturday, August 6, 2011 job fairs will be hosted by law firms in the DuPont network in Houston, Los Angeles, and Wilmington. When you submit an application for an invitation, you are submitting an application to all of the legal employers participating in the program.

Registration for the Houston, Los Angeles, and Wilmington sites will be completed electronically. **The deadline for the receipt of your registration for any of the Job Fairs is Friday, April 15, 2011 midnight EDT** and must include your resume and current law school transcript. For more information on how to apply, please

visit Career Services and ask for a flyer on the DuPont Legal Minority Job Fairs.

Government Finance Course Available

Interested in learning how state and local governments work, reasons for the growth in government spending, the various sources of revenue that state and local governments can draw upon to fund public services? If so, you may want to consider the following course:

State and Local Government Finance
Public Affairs 891
Masters Level Course
Robert M. La Follette School of Public Affairs
Fall Semester 2011
Mon. and Wed., 11:00 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.

For questions, please contact the instructor, Professor Andrew Reschovsky. He can be reached via email at reschovsky@lafollette.wisc.edu.

Apply Now for Midwest Environmental Advocates' Fall 2011 Clinical Program Externship and Seminar

Midwest Environmental Advocates, an independent nonprofit environmental law firm, offers a unique experience for Wisconsin law students to get an in-depth look at all aspects of environmental law practice and nonprofit legal work.

MEA's clinical program includes two parts, the seminar and the externship. MEA's weekly seminars are intended to provide students with a varied and in-depth look at all aspects of the practice of environmental law. Seminars are taught by a combination of MEA's staff and outside experts, including some non-lawyers, who provide unique perspectives on environmental law.

Applications are being accepted NOW for Fall 2011. The final application deadline is April 15, 2010.

Students are awarded seven credits on a pass/fail basis for the semester, and commit to 315 hours of work, including the seminar. Weekly seminars are analogous to law school seminars and usually include readings. The UW staff contact for the program is Arlen Christenson, Professor Emeritus, UW Law School and Board President, Midwest Environmental Advocates. For more information please visit www.midwestadvocates.org or contact Attorney Miriam Ostrov at mostrov@midwestadvocates.org.

April International Career Employment Weekly Now Available

The April 8, 2011 issue of International Career Employment Weekly is now posted on the Web. To access this issue, go to <http://www.internationaljobs.org/current.html> or you may go to the web site at <http://www.internationaljobs.org> and click on "Latest Weekly" to access the latest issues.

For the username and password to access the ICEW, go to <http://law.wisc.edu/career/> and then click on "Passwords, Podcasts and Presentations" under the heading "Popular Quick Links."

3Ls: Career Services Upcoming Contact

For those of you getting ready to graduate, please be advised that a member of Career Services will be contacting you in the next few weeks to talk about your job status. Not only does Career Services want to ensure that you are utilizing the resources available to you, but we also must keep track of employment data at graduation. Therefore, it is important that you make time to speak briefly with one of us when we contact you.