Applications to Remington Center’s Criminal Appeals Project for 2014-15

Remington Center’s CRIMINAL APPEALS PROJECT (CAP) will accept applications for next year’s class from March 9 through April 6. In this clinical project, students represent two actual clients on the direct appeal of their criminal convictions while taking a course in Appellate Advocacy. Students in the Project work with an assigned partner and a supervising attorney on each of their cases. Please note that each student must commit to enrolling in BOTH Fall and Spring semesters.

FALL SEMESTER 2015: Students enroll for 5 credits (3 credits in Course # 860 -- Advanced Criminal Procedure: Representing the Criminal Appellant and 2 credits in Course # 854 -- Criminal Appeals Project). The class has one weekly large group section (with all 10 students) and one weekly small group discussion section (with 4 to 6 students in each section). Each class meets for 80 minutes. In the large group, students study appellate procedure, the ethics of representation, issue spotting, and methods of persuasion. In the small groups, students discuss issues that arise in their individual cases. Grading is based on work on cases and assignments using S+, S, S- or U. There is no final exam or paper.

SPRING SEMESTER 2016: Students generally enroll for 4-5 credits (the same two courses listed above for Fall Semester). During the semester, students meet once a week with their small group and occasionally with the larger class of 10 students. Most of the classes involve discussion of issues from students’ cases, presentation of student briefs for group editing, and mock oral argument. Each student writes at least one appellate brief, along with other writing, as required. Grading is based on work on cases and briefs using S+, S, S- or U.

TO ENROLL: Consent of the instructor is required. You must submit an application form (included below, or available at http://law.wisc.edu/fjr/crimappeals/).

Applications will be accepted beginning March 9, 2015, and are due by April 6, 2015 at 5 pm. They should be submitted Applicants will be informed by April 4, 2014 as to whether they have been accepted into the program.

QUESTIONS? Contact:
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Name ___________________ Email ___________________ Phone __________

Are you a 1L or 2L as of the date of application? ____

Have you enrolled in other clinical courses at UW Law? _____ Which? _________________

Are you accepted into clinical courses at UW Law for 2013? Which? _________________

Briefly state why you are interested in this clinical opportunity: _________________

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Please list special skills you may have that would be useful in representing criminal defendants on appeal (include proficiency in languages, other experiences): ______________________________

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Please do not apply unless you are able to enroll in BOTH Fall and Spring semesters. For the FALL semester, in addition to the class that meets once per week, you must sign up for one of the following small group sessions (Note: If neither of these times work, there may be some flexibility to schedule an alternative time).

Tuesday, 1:00-2:20  ____  This is my first choice.
  ____  This is not my first choice, but this group will work for me.
  ____  I cannot attend this group.

Wednesday 2:25-3:45  ____  This is my first choice.
  ____  This is not my first choice, but this group will work for me.
  ____  I cannot attend this group.

Applications will be accepted between March 9 and April 6, 2015.
Submit your application documents either electronically to john.pray@wisc.edu or in paper format in an envelope to the front desk at the Frank J. Remington Center (Rm. 4318).
Questions: Call John Pray at 263-7461 or Lucy Brown at 262-0155.