



# Student Services Weekly Newsletter

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## 3Ls: Reminder to Graduating 3Ls About Exit Interviews

If you are graduating in May or August 2009, please set up a time for a short Exit Interview meeting with either Asst. Dean Jane Heymann ([jhey mann@wisc.edu](mailto:jhey mann@wisc.edu)) or Niles h Patel ([nileshpatel@wisc.edu](mailto:nileshpatel@wisc.edu)) by May 8, 2009.

## Announcing The Section Of Antitrust Law \$5k Fellowship Award

The American Bar Association Section of Antitrust Law is pleased to announce the return of its Fellowship Award for the summer of 2009. The purpose of the Fellowship Award is to defray the housing and living expenses of distinguished law students pursuing unpaid summer employment opportunities within approved government agencies (federal, state, or international) dedicated to the enforcement of antitrust laws, or other institutions whose primary mission is to advance the study of antitrust and competition law. Details and requirements of the program, and copies of the application, are available in the Career Services Office.

## New Subscription to Online Version of State and National Trade Association Directories

The Career Services Office recently purchased a subscription to AssociationExecs, the largest and most comprehensive online directory of national and state trade associations. You can search the directory by state, by subject/industry, by membership size, by job function, or by annual meeting dates/places. Contact Asst. Dean Jane Heymann in the Career Services Office at [jhey mann@wisc.edu](mailto:jhey mann@wisc.edu) if you would like to receive the username and password that will allow you to get access to this Directory, which can be found at [www.associationexecs.com](http://www.associationexecs.com).

## Wisconsin Alumni Association Career Tools

The Wisconsin Alumni Association (WAA) recently announced that it has packaged a suite of online career tools. Employment Essentials, found at <http://uwalum ni.com/employmentessentials>, showcases WAA's unique Badger-to-Badger connections and includes a variety of free career services. Featuring tools for job seekers and employers looking to hire, along with short-term insurance options, financial guidance and more,

Employment Essentials offers online resources that alumni throughout the world can access. Law students interested in exploring positions that are not traditional legal jobs may want to register and search the BadgerNet job bank that is part of the Employment Essentials website.

## Podcasts & Materials from “Thinking of Hanging Out Your Own Shingle?” & “Client Referral Sources” Panels

The “**Thinking of Hanging Out Your Own Shingle?**” panel consisted of Amber Lucsay, who practices Criminal Defense; Jeffrey Glazer, who practices Business Law; Tom Watson, who is a Senior Vice President at Wisconsin Lawyers Mutual Insurance Company; and Nerino Petro, who is with the State Bar of Wisconsin’s “Practice 411: Law Office Management Assistance Program.”

- **Podcast:** [http://law.wisc.edu/media/item/carsvc\\_4\\_0w.mp3](http://law.wisc.edu/media/item/carsvc_4_0w.mp3)
- **Handout** WILMIC Law Practice Toolkit For Law Practice – PDF version <http://www.wilmic.com/data/WILMICToolKit.pdf>
- **Handout** WILMIC Checklist For Opening A Law Practice: <http://tinyurl.com/cx8nrf>
- **Handout** Practice 411 – Surviving The First Years – PDF Version: <http://tinyurl.com/d2kew6>
- **Handout** Practice 411 – Managing Client Communications – PDF Version: <http://tinyurl.com/dxbkjm>
- **Nerino Petro’s blog** on legal technology, practice management and items of interest to lawyers: <http://www.compujurist.com/>

The “**Client Referral Sources**” panel consisted of: Deb Smith, WI State Public Defender (SPD), on SPD appointments; Professor Gretchen Viney, on Guardian Ad Litem appointments; David Armstrong, on Judicare appointments (which serves the northern 33 WI Counties and has some Madison area appointments); and Patricia Ruppert, on referrals from the State Bar of Wisconsin’s Legal Referral and Information System.

- **Podcast:** [http://law.wisc.edu/media/item/car\\_svc32504\\_11.mp3](http://law.wisc.edu/media/item/car_svc32504_11.mp3)  
Note: only partial recording due to Law Building power failure.
- **Links:**
  - o Assigned Counsel Division for WI State Public Defender appointments
    - o <http://www.wisspd.org/html/acd/acd.asp>
  - o State Bar of Wisconsin Guardian Ad Litem resources
    - o <http://tinyurl.com/coourw>

- State Bar of Wisconsin Lawyer Referral and Information System
  - <http://tinyurl.com/d64p6v>
- Judicare's Panel Attorney enrollment information
  - <http://tinyurl.com/csc53p>

## Reminder on Upcoming Application Deadlines

There are eight (8) jobs with application deadlines between April 19th and April 25th in Symplicity. You can find upcoming job deadlines by clicking on the "Jobs" tab from the top row of the Symplicity home page, searching for jobs by your class level, and then clicking on the "Deadline" column until you see the job deadlines in ascending order.

Be sure to check other websites such as [www.pslawnet.org](http://www.pslawnet.org) and [www.usajobs.com](http://www.usajobs.com) for other job postings and deadlines.

## Previous Newsletter Notices

### **1Ls & 2Ls: Advice for Having a Successful Summer Clerkship**

The Career Services Office has compiled a group of articles and brochures containing advice and tips on how to have a successful summer clerkship. First and second year students are urged to stop by the Career Services Office sometime before beginning their summer internships to pick up this packet of information, in order to ensure that you "put your best foot forward" this summer, no matter where you are working.

The Practising Law Institute (PLI), the oldest and largest non-profit CLE provider in the country, is holding a free program for law students on **Monday evening June 8th at 5:30pm** in its New York City Conference Center at 810 7th Avenue (between 52nd and 53rd streets) and **via Live Webcast**. PLI's 3rd Annual "**How to Succeed As A Summer Associate**" program will provide law students with a unique opportunity to get practical advice from law firm partners on making the most of their summer associate experience. Those students attending the live program in New York will also have an opportunity to meet the faculty and other summer associates at the post-program cocktail party. Interested students can register for this free program by following one of the links below:

New York City:

[www.pli.edu/product/seminar\\_detail.asp?id=48214&t=RWZ9\\_8CSV1](http://www.pli.edu/product/seminar_detail.asp?id=48214&t=RWZ9_8CSV1)

Live Webcast:

[www.pli.edu/product/webcast\\_detail.asp?id=48215&t=RWZ9\\_8CSV1](http://www.pli.edu/product/webcast_detail.asp?id=48215&t=RWZ9_8CSV1)

Or if they prefer to register by phone they can call PLI's Customer Relations Department at (800) 260-

4754. Students with questions can also contact Stacey Greenblatt directly at 212-824-5865 or at [sgreenblatt@pli.edu](mailto:sgreenblatt@pli.edu).

### **1Ls & 2Ls: CSLAP 2009 Fall Semester Clinical Opportunity at the Remington Center**

Community Supervision Legal Assistance Project (CSLAP)

Open to Second and Third Year Students

Five clinical credits (Course # 854/ Section 018)\*\*  
Two credit seminar (Course #907) meets Wednesdays 9:55am – 11:55am

Applications Due by **April 29, 2009**

The Community Supervision Legal Assistance Project (CSLAP) is open to 2L and 3L students. CSLAP students, under the supervision of Clinical Professor Judy Olingy, provide a wide range of legal assistance to clients who are on community supervision through the Wisconsin Department of Corrections' Division of Community Corrections. The clinic emphasizes an interdisciplinary and holistic problem-solving approach to client representation. Students work in collaboration with their clients, each other, and other system actors to develop and implement creative solutions to client re-entry problems that often are complex and challenging. Specific areas of assistance can include family law matters, obtaining government disability benefits, issues concerning monetary obligations from court orders, employment concerns, reinstatement of driver's licenses, debt issues and housing concerns.

For interested students, there will be an option to continue enrollment in the Spring 2010 for a limited number of clinical credits.

**To apply:** Send Prof. Olingy an e-mail briefly outlining your reasons for wanting to participate in the project and attach a copy of your resume. Applications are due by April 29, 2009. Prof. Olingy's e-mail address is: [jeolingy@wisc.edu](mailto:jeolingy@wisc.edu). If you would like to speak with Prof. Olingy to learn about CSLAP in greater detail, you can call her at 262-4870. She also can give you the names of students who presently are enrolled. They would be happy to "give you the scoop."

\*\* Please note that one clinical credit equals four hours/week of client work.

### **Off Campus Job Fairs – Dates and Deadlines**

Over the last few weeks, the Career Services Office has been receiving information about a number of Off Campus Job Fairs that will take place this summer or

this fall. Information about these Job Fairs will be updated regularly on our website, and you can check for programs and deadlines at:

<http://law.wisc.edu/career/jobfairs.htm>

Two notes on diversity job fairs: 1) If you are in the class year (1L, 2L, etc.) eligible to participate in a job fair and are interested in attending the fair, register and submit an application. Although many "diversity" job fairs target and encourage a specific group of students to participate, many of them will allow other students to participate even if those students aren't members of the targeted group. 2) If there is a job fair you learn about that the school does not currently participate in but that you would like to be able to participate in, email Nilesh Patel ([nileshpatel@wisc.edu](mailto:nileshpatel@wisc.edu)) with the job fair name and any other details, and we will be happy to investigate whether we can take whatever steps are necessary to enable our students to register for it.

### **Reminder to International JD Students on F1 Visas**

International JD students in F1 visa status who will be working in the United States during Summer 2009 should make sure they have the proper work authorization. Generally, if you are working off campus for more than 20 hours per week, you will be required to obtain a CPT authorization and sign up for a one-credit directed reading course over the summer. Please contact Nilesh Patel ([nileshpatel@wisc.edu](mailto:nileshpatel@wisc.edu)) in the Career Services Office by April 17th to review your work status and authorization requirements.

### **Where Our Students Spend the Summer**

If you haven't already done so, please send an email message to [kemcmahan@wisc.edu](mailto:kemcmahan@wisc.edu) to let us know where you will be working this summer. As we've done in prior years, we are compiling a list of "Where Students are Working - Summer 2009" so that students can see which of their classmates will be working in the same city as them, or in the same clinical program or for the same employer. Lists of where students spent the summers of 2007 and 2008 are now viewable on the law school website at [http://www.law.wisc.edu/career/job\\_search.htm](http://www.law.wisc.edu/career/job_search.htm) (scroll down to the very bottom), and when the 2009 list is finalized we will post it there as well. Hard copies of the current 2009 list, which is still quite incomplete, can be picked up in the Career Services Office. Please let us know if the information about you is incorrect.

### **3Ls: Loan Repayment Assistance Grant Applications Available!**

If you have secured, or hope to secure, a post-graduate 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 Grant. Applications are available in the Career Services Office, and are due by Friday, May 1, 2009 at 4:30 p.m.

**PLEASE BE AWARE THAT YOU DO NOT NEED TO HAVE SECURED A POSITION WITH A NON-PROFIT OR GOVERNMENT AGENCY BY THAT DATE! IN ORDER TO QUALIFY FOR A LOAN REPAYMENT ASSISTANCE GRANT, YOU ONLY NEED TO HAVE SECURED A QUALIFYING POSITION BY APRIL 1, 2010.**

If you have any questions, please contact Kristin Davis at [kristindavis@wisc.edu](mailto:kristindavis@wisc.edu).

### **Post-Graduate Judicial Clerkships: Nuts and Bolts Info Sessions**

If you are interested in applying for post-graduate judicial clerkships, Kristin Davis in the Career Services Office will be hosting programming on numerous relevant topics. These information sessions will answer many of your questions about researching judges, creating competitive applications, the timing of applications, and the process of applying generally. In addition to attending these programs, you are also encouraged to make an individual appointment with Kristin, before you leave for the summer, to discuss the specifics of your application strategy.

The following programs will be given twice; you need only attend one, as the programs will cover the same material:

#### **Researching Judges and Opportunities**

Tuesday, April 14, 10-11 a.m., Room 5215  
Wednesday, April 15, 3-4 p.m., Room 5240

#### **Navigating the On-Line Application Process for Federal Judges**

Tuesday, April 21, 10-11 a.m., Room 3268  
Wednesday, April 22, 3-4 p.m., Room 3268

If you have any questions, please contact Kristin at [kristindavis@wisc.edu](mailto:kristindavis@wisc.edu).

## **Join the Judicial Clerkship Listserv for Important Announcements on Clerking**

If you will be applying for post-graduate clerkships this summer and fall, please contact Kristin Davis ([kristindavis@wisc.edu](mailto:kristindavis@wisc.edu)) to be added to the judicial clerkship email listserv. As a member of the listserv, you will receive important announcements about programming, opportunities, deadlines, and other information relevant to the clerkship application process.

## **2009 LexisNexis Prepare to Practice Program - Employment Preparation Classes**

Most employers require or strongly encourage incoming associates and summer law clerks to take advantage of Lexis classes offered at their law schools. Regardless of what you are doing this summer, LexisNexis has a large variety of class topics available to improve your research skills and introduce you to sources and products you may be using this summer. Earn over 1000 Lexis Reward points! Twelve different class topics are currently available to help you prepare for your summer or post-graduate job. Earn 600 Reward points for first optional class for semester, 600 for the second, and 200 Reward points for additional classes (up to 5). Some highlights include: "Cost Effective Research" -- the most popular and highly-recommended class by employers. There are also "Area of Law" courses in the areas of Labor and Employment; Intellectual Property; Tax; Litigation; Corporate/Securities; and Judicial Clerkships; as well as State Law classes (New York, Illinois, California); as well as Basic and Advanced Certification. Register on your MySchool tab at [www.lexis.com/lawschool](http://www.lexis.com/lawschool) Note: If there is a date/time conflict with the class you want, or you are in need of a different topic, schedule an individual session. Simply email [carolyn.bach@lexisnexis.com](mailto:carolyn.bach@lexisnexis.com).

## **Important Dates for Fall Interviewing Season**

First and second year students should keep in mind the following dates when making summer plans: The Cook County Minority Job Fair will take place in Chicago on Friday, August 21. Our own fall On-Campus Interview Program will begin on Monday, August 24. The DuPont Minority Job Fairs will be held in Houston, Los Angeles, and Wilmington, Delaware, on August 8th. These and quite a few other off-campus job fairs and recruiting programs that UW Law School students are eligible to register for (including the "Off Campus Recruitment Programs" in NY, DC and LA -- see related article below) are

described on our website at <http://www.law.wisc.edu/career/jobfairs.htm> Be sure to pay careful attention to the student registration deadlines!

## **Fifth Annual IMPACT Career Fair for Law Students and Attorneys with Disabilities**

Registration is now open for the IMPACT Career Fair for Law Students and Attorneys with Disabilities. This Career Fair will be held on Friday, August 7, 2009, at the Sheraton Crystal City Hotel in Arlington, VA, near Reagan National Airport. It is open to fall 2009 returning law students as well as all law school graduates, nationwide. Students and graduates must register by July 5, 2009, at <http://www.law.arizona.edu/career/impact/studentregistrationintro.cfm>

## **Resource For Non-Traditional Legal Jobs**

The Career Services Office subscribes to the Non-Traditional Legal Careers Report, published every two weeks, which lists positions for J.D.s in non-law firm settings. Each issue features positions in Business, Education, Government, the Judiciary, Legal Publishing, Policy, Law Libraries, Public Interest, and International positions. The website address is: <http://www.nontradlegal.com/>. Contact [nileshpatel@wisc.edu](mailto:nileshpatel@wisc.edu) for the username and password.

## **NALP's 2009 Online Apartment Exchange**

Law students seeking summer housing, and students with housing available for the summer, are invited to participate in NALP's free online 2009 Apartment Exchange. It's easy -- just visit [www.nalp.org](http://www.nalp.org) and follow the link to the Apartment Exchange. The Apartment Exchange will be available until May 15, 2009.