



## Student Services Weekly Newsletter

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## Preselects for Public Interest Job Fair Interviews

Some employers have already notified us of the students whom they wish to interview at the Wisconsin Public Interest Job Fair in Madison (February 21) and Milwaukee (February 28), and they will continue to do so until Thursday, February 12, 2009 (the date on which interview lists are due). To check on the status of your application, log onto Symplicity and click on "OCI" on the top toolbar. Choose the "2009 Wisconsin Public Interest Job Fair" from the "Search Filters" pull down menu. You will then see a list of all the attending employers, and if you have been selected for an interview, you will see "Accept Preselect" and "Decline" next to that employer's name under the "Invitations" column. If you accept the invitation to interview, you will be taken to the employer's interview schedule, where you can add yourself during the time slot of your choice. If the employer has yet to choose its preselects, you will see "Pending" in the "Invitations" column. If you have not been chosen for an interview, it will say "Not Selected" in the "Invitations" column.

**If you are selected for an interview, you will have until Wednesday, February 18, 2009 at NOON to sign up. If you fail to do so by that date and time, you will lose your interview.**

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

## 1Ls & 2Ls: Applications Available for Summer Public Service Fellowships!

Applications for Summer Public Service Fellowships (SPSFs) are now available in the Career Services Office! Applications (and fact sheets) are also available online at [www.law.wisc.edu/publicinterest/summer\\_funding.htm#SPSF](http://www.law.wisc.edu/publicinterest/summer_funding.htm#SPSF). SPSFs provide funding for students who work a minimum of 10 weeks/400 hours in unpaid or low paid summer public interest/public service jobs. There are two deadlines associated with the SPSF application. *The first deadline*, Friday, March 6, is for the submission of financial aid paperwork, including your 2009-2010 FAFSA and a copy of your 2008 federal income tax return. *The second deadline*, Friday, March 27, is for the submission of the SPSF application itself. You do not need to have obtained a qualifying public interest position by the first deadline; you do need to have obtained such a position by the second deadline.

When you pick up the SPSF application, you must also pick up the accompanying green Fact Sheet, which contains very important information about the

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

## 1Ls & 2Ls: Register Now for 2009 OCI Programs in Washington, D.C., NY & LA

Every August, our law school participates, along with the University of Minnesota Law School and the University of Iowa Law School, in Off-Campus Recruitment (OCI) Programs in New York, D.C., and Los Angeles. In 2009, these programs are scheduled for the following dates: **West Coast (in Los Angeles) on Friday, August 14; Washington, D.C. on Wednesday August 19; and New York on Friday August 21.**

If you think you MIGHT want to participate in one or more of these interviewing programs, please send an email message by April 1st to Kate McMahan at [kemcmahan@wisc.edu](mailto:kemcmahan@wisc.edu), giving her your name, your class year as of Fall 2009 (2L or 3L), your expected graduation date, and the email address that you will use this summer. Registering does not obligate you to attend any of these programs; it merely enables you to obtain access to the Symplicity site that the Off-Campus Recruitment Programs use so that you can bid and sign up for interviews this summer if you choose to do so.

## 1Ls & 2Ls w/Science & Engineering Backgrounds: Save the Date for 2009 Loyola Patent Law Interview Program

This year's Loyola Patent Law Interview Program will be held **in Chicago on Thursday and Friday, July 30 and 31**. *Student registration for this very popular job fair will begin on February 23 and end on March 12*. Details about how to register will be in a subsequent Newsletter.

## 1Ls w/Technical Backgrounds: IP Law Firm Seeks Applications

Klarquist Sparkman, an intellectual property law firm based in Portland, OR, invites first year law students interested in a career in intellectual property law to apply to its 2009 summer associate program. Klarquist Sparkman is the largest intellectual property firm in the Pacific Northwest and offers attorneys the opportunity to work on a broad range of legal services related to patents, trademarks and copyrights, including litigation. Candidates should have a technical background and an interest in

practicing IP law in the Pacific Northwest. Students with the following technical backgrounds should have the listed level of experience: biotechnology (Ph.D. or equivalent); chemistry (master's degree or equivalent, preferably with a background in organic chemistry); computer science (master's degree or equivalent).

Please send your resume to our alum, Doug Dallmann, at [doug.dallmann@klarquist.com](mailto:doug.dallmann@klarquist.com).

## **1Ls: Quarles & Brady's Reception (Feb 26)**

Quarles & Brady cordially invites all first year students to attend its annual University of Wisconsin first-year law student Reception on Thursday, February 26, 2009, from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. The reception will be held in the firm's Madison office, 33 East Main Street, Capital Conference Room. Please take the elevator to the 9th Floor. **RSVP by Wednesday, February 25, 2009**, to Donna Key at [dkey@quarles.com](mailto:dkey@quarles.com). Dress is business casual. Parking is located on Doty Street between Martin Luther King Blvd and Pinckney Street.

## **Talk on Legal Profession in China (Feb 10)**

The Law School community (faculty, staff, all students) is cordially invited to hear a talk on The Transformation of the Legal Profession in Contemporary China given by SIDA LIU Research Associate at the American Bar Foundation and Ph.D. Candidate in Sociology, University of Chicago

Tuesday, February 10, 2009

8:45 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.

Lubar Commons (Law School room 7200)

For additional information, please contact [ealsc@law.wisc.edu](mailto:ealsc@law.wisc.edu). One of Mr. Liu's recent articles on the Chinese legal profession, Globalization as Boundary-Blurring: International and Local Law Firms in China's Corporate Law Market, can be downloaded at [http://law.wisc.edu/ealsc/sida\\_liu\\_article.pdf](http://law.wisc.edu/ealsc/sida_liu_article.pdf)

This event is co-sponsored by the East Asian Legal Studies Center, Global Legal Studies Center, World Affairs and the Global Economy (WAGE), and the Wisconsin China Initiative.

## **Panel discussion on Pathways to Employment in International Law (Feb 11)**

A panel discussion on Pathways to Employment in International Law will be held on Wednesday, February 11, 2009, 6-8pm in Lubar Commons (7200 Law), sponsored by the Wisconsin International Law

Society, Global Legal Studies Center, American Bar Association and the State Bar of Wisconsin. Speakers include: Nathan Kirschner (United States Department of Veterans Affairs), Erik Ibele (Neider & Boucher SC/ UW Law School), Kevin Kelly (UW Law School) and Heinz Klug (UW Law School) (other speakers tba).

*Questions?* Contact Brian Edstrom at [bcedstrom@gmail.com](mailto:bcedstrom@gmail.com).

## **Alum David Miller to Talk About Practicing in New York City; Using Foreign Languages in One's Law Practice, Etc. (Feb 26)**

Our alum David Miller, who will be participating in the "Language for Life" program described below, has offered to talk to interested law students while he is here in Madison on February 26 about working internationally as a lawyer; practicing law in New York City; using his Russian language skills in his law practice, etc. Details remain to be ironed out but David's presentation will probably be scheduled for noon on February 26. Check next week's Newsletter for additional details.

## **"Language for Life" Program of Interest to Law Students (Feb 26)**

"Language for Life" is a program of the UW-Madison Language Institute that gives students the opportunity to meet with working professionals who studied a foreign language and are using that language in their professional or personal lives in inspiring ways. **On Thursday, February 26, at 4 p.m.** in the Memorial Union, you can meet professionals who have used their language skills in law careers! Panelists include Carmel Carpati, who serves as Manager for the Court Interpreter Program with the Wisconsin Supreme Court's Director of State Courts; Erik Ibele, a Madison-based attorney with the firm Neider & Boucher who speaks German and Pashtu; and David Miller, a 2000 University of Wisconsin Law School graduate who majored in Russian Studies as an undergraduate. David worked in the Moscow office of a major international law firm (Hogan & Hartson LLP) during and immediately after law school, and subsequently worked in Moscow for another such firm (White & Case LLP), but has been practicing in New York City for the last few years.

## **1Ls Who are Sure They'll Take the Illinois Bar Exam After Graduation**

If you are a 1L and are confident that you will be sitting for the Illinois bar exam after you graduate, you may want to take advantage of the opportunity to register with the Illinois Board of Admissions to the Bar as a 1L. Doing so by March 1 of your first year of law school enables you to submit your Character and Fitness Questionnaire as a 1L, and pay a \$100 fee, rather than submitting it when you are a 3L, when the fee is \$450. The fee is nonrefundable, however, so it only saves you money if you do indeed take the Illinois bar exam after you graduate. More information about law student registration, and the appropriate forms, can be found at [https://www.ibaby.org/lsr\\_info.action](https://www.ibaby.org/lsr_info.action)

## **3Ls: Inexpensive Way to Prepare for the Multistate Bar Exam**

The National Conference of Bar Examiners has just released a second online MBE practice examination. This study aid, called the MBE Online Practice Exam 2, joins its earlier release, the MBE-AP, which has now been renamed the MBE Online Practice Exam 1 but is otherwise unchanged. The NCBE has developed these two practice tests in order to make high-quality, authentic MBE test materials available to bar examinees at a nominal cost. Each online practice exam is priced at \$26 for a one-year subscription that allows unlimited use of the online product by the candidate. These study materials will be available on the NCBE website, <http://www.ncbex.org>, during the week of February 2.

## **Earn \$20 by Completing Survey**

Researchers at the John Jay College of Criminal Justice in New York City are looking for law students who have voir dire experience (have either observed or participated in a voir dire) to participate in a study on jury selection. The online study will present a profile of a juror and ask participants to formulate hypothetical voir dire questions. The questionnaire takes about 15-30 minutes to complete and students will be paid \$20 for their participation. To receive a link to the study, please contact Caroline Crocker at [jjaylawlab@gmail.com](mailto:jjaylawlab@gmail.com) or 212-484-1351 and provide your name, phone number, year in law school, and a description of your experience with voir dire.

## **Access to Lawcrossing.com**

Our office has been in touch with LawCrossing.com to resolve how students can get access to the website. Our office has been in touch with the company and

hopefully students will now be able to access the job listings in a straightforward manner. To sign up for the website, do one of the following:

1. Go to [www.lawcrossing.com/lcoffer.php](http://www.lawcrossing.com/lcoffer.php) and enter your school email address (must be a wisc.edu account) and the promotional code "wisc2009". You should get an email that activates your account.
2. If you do not get an email to activate your account or experience any other problems, please contact the law school representative, Mark Wilson, at [mark@employmentcrossing.com](mailto:mark@employmentcrossing.com).

## **NALP's 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. Visit [www.nalp.org](http://www.nalp.org) and follow the link to the Apartment Exchange, which will be available until May 15, 2009.