



Student Services Weekly Newsletter

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1Ls & 2Ls: Wisconsin DOJ Summer Externship Program

Representatives of the Wisconsin Dept. of Justice will be at the Law School on Friday, Jan. 30, at noon to talk to 1Ls and 2Ls about volunteer and for-credit externship opportunities at the Wisconsin Department of Justice here in Madison this summer. The program will be held in Room 2260.

2Ls and 3Ls: Register NOW for March 7 MPRE

Every state except Wisconsin, Washington (the State of Washington, not D.C.), and Maryland requires that you pass the Multistate Professional Responsibility Exam in order to be admitted to practice law there. The MPRE is offered three times a year: in March, August and November. The March MPRE will be administered here at the Law School on Saturday morning, March 7. The non-refundable registration fee is \$60 for people who register on or before **January 27**; the registration fee is \$120 if you register on or before February 12, which is the latest possible registration date for the March exam. For more information or to register online go to www.ncbex.org/multistate-tests/mpre/guidelines/dates/

Bid Now for WI Public Interest Job Fair!!

Bidding is now open for the annual Wisconsin Public Interest Job Fair, which will be held on two consecutive Saturdays in February. On Saturday, February 21, Madison area employers will interview at UW Law School, and on Saturday, February 28, Milwaukee area employers will interview at Marquette Law School. Bidding will close on Sunday, February 1 at 12:00 CST (midnight).

The Job Fair will be treated as an OCI (on-campus interviewing) session in Symplicity. Therefore, if you want to participate, your first step is to review the list of participating employers (see below) and decide with which of them you are interested in interviewing. You may then log on to Symplicity (<https://law-wisc-csm.symplicity.com/students>) and review the information about the participating employers, including application materials requested. To do so, click on "OCI" in the top row of choices, which will take you to a screen that has a pull-down menu (under Search Filter: Sessions) enabling you to choose an OCI "session." Select the session entitled "2009 Wisconsin Public Interest Job Fair." When you do so, the list of registered employers interviewing students in your class year will display. If you click on the "Review" button to the left of an employer's name, you'll be taken to a screen giving

you additional information about that employer (e.g., the employer's website, a list of the application materials that the employer wants students to provide, the name(s) of the interviewer(s), etc.).

Most of the employers participating in the Job Fair are asking for a resume and a cover letter; some also have requested a writing sample, transcript and list of references. You will need to create the documents that the employers you want to interview with have requested, and upload them into Symplicity, using the "Documents" tab on the top row of choices. When you go to the "Documents" section, you can upload any documents that you haven't already uploaded by clicking "Add New," and identifying the documents from your hard drive. To upload a transcript, you will need to go to "My UW" and copy your grade report into a Word document and upload that (obviously 1Ls will only be able to upload those grades that have been submitted by Sunday, February 1 (the bidding deadline); please mention in your cover letter that you will provide an updated transcript/grade report, if available, at your interview). After you have uploaded and labeled all necessary documents, go back to "OCI," select "Review" or "Apply" next to the employer's name, choose the appropriate cover letter, etc., and then click "Apply."

Please remember that bidding on employers participating in the Job Fair will close at 12:00 a.m. (midnight) CST on Sunday, February 1. Although there is no advantage to bidding and submitting your documents early, please also do not wait until the last minute to bid.

To date, participating employers include the following (all organizations are interviewing both 1Ls and 2Ls, unless otherwise noted):

In Madison on February 21:

Midwest Environmental Advocates:

www.midwestadvocates.org (application collection only)

Immigrant Project of the Wisconsin Coalition Against Domestic Violence: www.wcadv.org

Wisconsin Coalition Against Domestic Violence: www.wcadv.org

Wisconsin Coalition Against Sexual Assault: www.wcasa.org

Dane County Corporation Counsel: www.co.dane.wi.us (application collection only)

Office of the City Attorney, Madison:

<http://www.ci.madison.wi.us/attorney/index.html>

Clean Wisconsin: www.cleanwisconsin.org

Coalition of Wisconsin Aging Groups: www.cwag.org

Community Justice, Inc.: www.communityjusticeinc.org

ABC for Health: www.safetyweb.org

Wisconsin Department of Transportation Office of General Counsel:

<http://www.dot.wisconsin.gov/about/structure/ogc.htm>

Legal Aid Society of Milwaukee: www.lasmilwaukee.com

Wisconsin Department of Transportation Office of
General Counsel:

<http://www.dot.wisconsin.gov/about/structure/ogc.htm>

In Milwaukee on February 28:

ACLU of Wisconsin Foundation: www.aclu-wi.org

Kids Matter, Inc.: <http://law.marquette.edu/cgi-bin/site.pl?2130&pageID=2752>

Disability Rights Wisconsin: www.drwi.org

Door County (WI) Corporation Counsel:
<http://www.co.door.wi.gov>

Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Milwaukee:
www.catholiccharities.org (2L only)

Benedict Center: www.benedictcenter.org

Milwaukee Habitat for Humanity: www.milwaukeehabitat.org

Waukesha County Clerk of Courts -- Court Self-Help
Program:
<http://www.waukeshacounty.gov/CourtDivisions.aspx?id=21012>

Jewish Family Services: www.jfsmilw.org

Milwaukee County Department of Child Support
Enforcement:

<http://www.county.milwaukee.gov/ChildSupportEnforcem7706.htm>

Milwaukee Courthouse Self-Help Center:

<http://www.wisconsinforms.com/WFJC.htm>

Justice 2000: www.justice-2000.org

Other employers may be added at a later date, so please check the Symplicity site often! A binder containing information about individual employers is available for your review on the table outside Kristin Davis' office in Career Services.

Please note that many of the participating employers cannot pay a stipend for the summer; regardless, an internship with most of these public interest employers makes you eligible to apply for one of the Law School's Summer Public Service Fellowships (see below).

If you have any questions, please contact Kristin Davis at kristindavis@wisc.edu or 262-6444.

Previous Newsletter Items

Study Abroad Informational Meeting - Feb. 4

A follow up information session on study abroad will be held on Wednesday, Feb 4, 2009 from Noon-1pm in Lubar Commons. The program directors will explain the application process. The deadline for applications for the 2009-2010 academic year will be February 16, 2009. All application materials should be sent to Sumudu Atapattu, Room 6222 by the deadline. The application is available on the study abroad webpage at:

law.wisc.edu/academics/international/foreignex.htm

Paid Summer Position for Brown County Circuit Courts (Green Bay, WI)

The judges of the Brown County Circuit Court in Green Bay, Wisconsin, want to hire a 1L or 2L to perform legal research for the eight circuit judges: read and digest opinions, briefs and motions; extract excerpts pertinent to points of law and fact; research and write civil and criminal draft decisions, orders and memoranda of law; discuss and debate the merits of cases with Judges; observe court proceedings; and perform related work as required. The law clerk will work under the supervision of the Presiding Judge. To apply, submit a cover letter, detailed resume, sample of legal writing, and copies of law school and undergraduate transcripts to Jean M. Eckers, Administrative Supervisor, Brown County Circuit Courts, Room 257, Courthouse, P.O. Box 23600, Green Bay, WI 54305-3600. Salary is \$10 per hour. Applications must be postmarked no later than February 13, 2009.

Summer Internship in Bangkok, Thailand

Internship runs June 29-August 7, 2009. Application period is Jan. 20 to Feb. 12, 2009; deadline is Feb. 12, 2009. Open to 1Ls and 2Ls.

The UW Law School and Thammasat University Faculty of Law (Bangkok, Thailand) offer a summer internship program in Bangkok for 1L and 2L students. Up to four J.D. students currently enrolled at the UW Law School are selected to participate. Quick overview:

- Six weeks internship at an international law firm in Bangkok, Thailand, preceded by a short orientation at Thammasat University for an introduction to Thai law.
- No salary, although some past participants have received a small bonus for their work.
- Estimated budget for the internship is about \$2,250. An East Asian Legal Studies Center grants covers \$1,400 of this.
- The Center grant provides money for transportation and possible other expenses.
- Housing in Bangkok is typically arranged by the law firms. The intern usually pays the rent.
- You must have or get a passport to travel to Thailand.
- You need a visa to enter Thailand; the Center assists with the visa process.
- You do not need to speak Thai.
- You do not need previous travel experience to apply for this program.

- Articles from previous participants are in past Newsletters of the East Asian Legal Studies Center online, www.law.wisc.edu/ealsc or at the Center office, room 4312.
- The deadline for submitting an application is Feb. 12. We will have interviews as needed around February 19 and 20, 2009.

Complete application instructions are contained in the job posting for this opportunity in the Job Bank on Symplicity.

Summer Law Internship in Vietnam

YKVN Lawyers, a widely respected Vietnamese law firm formerly the affiliate of White and Case in Vietnam, is recruiting summer interns for both their Hanoi and Ho Chi Minh City offices. There are also possibilities for fall semester interns.

Candidates should have a basic familiarity with and interest in contracts, finance, and/or corporate law. No Vietnamese language skills required.

Interns gain international legal experience, experience first hand the second fastest growing economy in Asia, and work in areas such as contract litigation, securities, corporate and finance law, and international investment.

One University of Wisconsin Law School JD student participated in this program last summer, and another did this internship a year ago. The experience seems to have been a very positive one! If you want to contact one of the previous students for more information, write skatcher@wisc.edu and ask for the contact information.

To apply, submit your resume, a cover letter, and a transcript (unofficial, requested by email through "MyWisc") at the beginning of the spring 2009 semester by attachment to Susan Katcher, Associate Director of the East Asian Legal Studies Center, skatcher@wisc.edu. Alternatively, drop the application materials off at the East Asian Legal Studies Center's office, room 4312, or in its mailbox (near room 5106). Applications will be reviewed by Professor Irish starting in February 2009 and will continue through the spring semester. If you are interested or have questions, please contact crirish@wisc.edu.

For more information on YKVN Lawyers, see www.ykvn-law.com

2Ls: Prosecution Project

A number of paid, ten-week summer internships for the summer of 2009 are still available for the Prosecution Project in Brown, Green, Marathon,

Outagamie and Rock Counties in Wisconsin. These internships provide hands-on trial level experience in the criminal justice system and the opportunity to appear in court and participate in the local criminal justice system. Students participating in the Prosecution Project are required to enroll in spring and fall seminars in addition to the summer internship. The spring seminar combines the study of prosecution and defense functions with skills training to prepare students for the summer internship; the fall seminar provides reflection on the summer experience and satisfies the Professional Responsibilities requirement. Interested students should contact Prof. Ben Kempinen at 262-7908 or kempinen@wisc.edu.

Potential ABA Human Rights Internship in Algeria

The American Bar Association Rule of Law Initiative in Alger, Algeria is working on a program to train 60 young Algerian lawyers in human rights issues. During the summer of 2009, the program will be working on pro bono cases and public education or advocacy campaigns. The program is looking for JD students who might be interested in doing an internship during the summer to work with the lawyers on the pro bono cases and the public education or advocacy campaigns. They would be working directly with the NGOs in charge. It is likely that interns would interview people on CEDAW compliance, research and write about legislative changes and teach non-lawyers about the law. The internship would be unpaid. An ideal intern would speak Arabic or French. For more information, contact a UW Law School alumna, Diane Post, Regional Senior Legal Advisor and Interim Resident Advisor at postdlpost@aol.com.

1Ls: Quarles & Brady's Reception

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. Dress is business casual. Parking is located on Doty Street between Martin Luther King Blvd and Pinckney Street.

FCBA Foundation Accepting Applications for Funding of Unpaid Legal Internships at Govt. Agencies

For the sixteenth consecutive year, the Federal Communications Bar Association (FCBA) Foundation will award stipends to law students from its Chairman Robert E. Lee Scholarship and Internship Fund. In

2009, the Foundation will award at least five \$5,000 stipends to law students employed as unpaid summer interns in positions with the FCC and other government agencies or entities with a connection to the communications industry (i.e., broadcasting, cable television, telephony, satellite, wireless, and information technology). In addition, the Foundation will select one outstanding intern among those chosen to receive an additional stipend of \$600 for the summer—the “Max Paglin Award.” Mr. Paglin was the former General Counsel and Executive Director of the FCC, and the founder of the Golden Jubilee Commission on Telecommunications, which compiled a definitive legislative history of the Communications Act.

Applicants will be selected on the basis of: (1) a demonstrated interest in the communications field, (2) having secured or having pending, an unpaid summer position (internship) for at least 8 weeks in communications with a government agency, (3) dependence on financial assistance in order to accept the unpaid internship in a government agency or entity involved in communications; and, (4) community activities. To the extent a recipient receives unanticipated funding for the unpaid internship, the FCBA Foundation’s general policy is to reduce its scholarship awards by any amount that a recipient’s total funding (including all sources) for the internship would otherwise exceed \$7,000.

Applications (which are available at www.fcba.org/foundation/internship_stipends.shtml) **for a Lee Fund scholarship should be submitted to Kerry Loughney , FCBA Foundation, 1020 19th Street, N.W., Suite 325, Washington, D.C. 20036, by Friday, March 6, 2009. Applicants may be asked to interview with members of the Foundation Board; interviews may be conducted by telephone. Winners will be notified by Friday, April 17, 2009.**

1L Book Scholarship Program for Spring 2009

The State Bar of Wisconsin's Diversity Outreach Committee will offer a limited number of scholarships in the spring of 2009 to reimburse the cost of law school books. First year students of diverse backgrounds may apply for the reimbursement if they are in good academic standing and can demonstrate financial need. The reimbursements will not exceed \$500 per student. Specific scholarship amounts depend on the availability of funds and the number of applicants.

Application Guidelines

1. Complete the official book reimbursement scholarship application form.

2. Attach a one-paragraph statement (maximum length: one page, double spaced) on how diversity has impacted your life.
3. Attach a copy of your second-semester required law book proof(s) of purchase.
4. Identify your required book purchases by circling each in ink.

The Diversity Outreach Committee will notify students selected for its 2009 Diversity Reimbursement Book Scholarships by U.S. mail no later than March 16, 2009.

Download the application form at law.wisc.edu/career/newsletters/attachments/wisbardiversitybookscholarshipapp2009-app.pdf Please submit two copies of application materials **no later than 4:00 p.m. on Monday, February 16, 2009** to: Ruth Roberts, Assistant Dean for Student & Academic Affairs, at rrobarts@wisc.edu or Room 5105, UW Law School.

Wisconsin Association of African-American Lawyers Offers Phillips Scholarship

Each year, the Wisconsin Association of African-American Lawyers (WAAL, formerly known as the Wisconsin Association of Minority Attorneys “WAMA”) honors the professional career and community contributions of Attorneys Vel and W. Dale Phillips by awarding two scholarships in their names.

W. Dale Phillips practiced law in Milwaukee, Wisconsin from 1950 until his death in 1988. He was local and state President of chapters of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, and an active member of the Black Lawyers' Association; the State Bar of Wisconsin; the Boys Club of America; and Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity. It is our hope that the scholarship will not only honor the contribution he made to the legal community, but also inspire future African American and other black attorneys to strive to emulate his commitment to the black community in the United States.

Vel Phillips practiced law in Milwaukee, Wisconsin until becoming a Distinguished Professor of law at Marquette Law School in 2002. In 1951, she became the first African-American woman to earn a law degree from the University of Wisconsin. She was the first African-American and first woman elected to the Milwaukee Common Council in 1956. She is the first African-American woman to serve as a state court judge. Phillips was also elected to statewide office as Secretary of State.

WAAL seeks to continue the legacy of W. Dale Phillips and other esteemed colleagues in our profession.

Since the organization was founded, WAAL has maintained close ties to the black community. WAAL provides community service through the NAACP lawyer referral program and sponsors an annual Mock Trial Competition with central city high schools.

At its 2009 Annual Banquet, WAAL will award a scholarship to a law student who attends the University of Wisconsin Law School and a second scholarship of like amount to a student at Marquette University Law School.

To be considered for the scholarship, an applicant must:

1. complete the application;
2. have completed a full semester of law school and be returning for at least one more semester in the 2009/2010 school year;
3. be in good academic standing at the law school at the time of submitting the application;
4. sign an authorization permitting the Scholarship Committee to confirm your status with the law school;
5. provide three copies of the application;
6. be black or of African-American descent;
7. be committed to the goals of WAAL as exemplified by the life and dedication of W. Dale Phillips.
8. The **postmark deadline is Monday, February 23, 2009**. Additional instructions are included in the application. Download the application at law.wisc.edu/career/newsletters/attachments/waal-scholarshipapp2009.pdf

If you have any questions, please contact Leonard E. Martin, WAAL Scholarship Chairperson at 414-559-1140.

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 and follow the link to the Apartment Exchange. The Apartment Exchange will be available from January 15 until May 15, 2009.

Summer Living in New York

If you will be working in New York this summer, you might be interested in NYU Law School's "Summer Living in New York" program. Each year, NYU Law School opens its residential buildings to summer interns in the law and business communities. They offer apartment-style living in a variety of furnished

apartments and suites from single-occupancy studios to three bedroom units. Summer 2009 accommodations are available from May 24 to August 8, for periods of four or more consecutive weeks. Brochures with more information are available for interested students to pick up in the display case across the hall from the Career Services Office. Additional information is available at www.law.nyu.edu/housing, and applications for the summer of 2009 are available online at law.nyu.edu/housing/summerhousing/summerlivinginnyslny

Interested in Learning More About the College Cost Reduction and Access Act & Debt Relief?

Equal Justice Works and American University's Washington College of Law have teamed up to launch an all-new podcast: *The Student Debt Relief Series*. The 1st episode, "How to Figure Out if You Benefit from the College Cost Reduction & Access Act - & How Much?" is available now. Listen to the episode, stream, download or subscribe to the series at www.wcl.american.edu/podcast/audio/20081204_WCL_EJW-1.mp3?rd=1. You can also download the corresponding Loan Forgiveness for Public Service Employment Checklist: www.equaljusticeworks.org/files/studentloan_checklist_6-19.pdf.