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Judicial Clerkships MARCH 2 (NOON-1 PM) RM 2011

Ali Shinsato (Career Services) and a panel of former judicial clerks (Dean Amar, Professors Lee, Shah, and White, and Fellow Kate Doty) will provide an overview of judicial clerkships and the application process as well as insight about what it is like to work in chambers and perspectives on the hiring process.

3L Job Search Techniques MARCH 3 (NOON-1 PM) RM 2011

Come hear from Career Services' Graduate Employment Specialist, Lisa Carlock '97, as she and recent graduates (Matthew Crosier '08, Jonathan Miller '09, Daniel Sharpe '09 and Katie Wiens '09) discuss techniques and timelines to utilize now, this summer and/or after the bar exam, to secure a post-graduate job. Do not miss out on this opportunity to get your questions answered and develop a plan for the rest of the semester!

Grant Writing, Work-Study, and Summer Funding MARCH 4 (4-5 PM) RM 2011

Join Kirsten Hill (Career Services,) Robyn Reid (Financial Aid,) and Theo Cuizon (KHLF) for a workshop on summer funding opportunities. This workshop will cover grant writing, workstudy, and alternatives to KHLF.

2010 Loyola Patent Law Interview Program MARCH 8: REGISTRATION CLOSES

Loyola University Chicago School of law is hosting the **2010 Patent Law Interview Program** on **Thursday**, **July 29 and Friday**, **July 30** in Chicago, IL. This program brings together patent law employers and law students from across the country to interview for summer associate positions and post-graduate employment. The law school is registered for this interview program. For further information, please refer to the following website: <u>http://www.luc.edu/law/career/Patent_Program_-</u>

<u>Stu.html</u>. Online student registration opened on **Monday**, **February 15 and closes on Monday**, **March 8.** There is a non-refundable \$35 registration fee for students.

Farella Braun & Martel Diversity Scholarship (1Ls) MARCH 12 (APPLICATION DEADLINE)

Are you a first-year law student who is of color, a member of the LGBTQ community, disabled, or from a background or experience that would otherwise contribute to the diversity of the legal profession? If so, apply for a \$5000+ scholarship <u>here</u>. RSVP for the reception <u>here</u>.

Spring OCI continues

FEBRUARY 16-MARCH 23: STUDENT BIDDING APRIL 1: STUDENT PRESELECT INTERVIEW SIGN-UPS



Important Dates

March 2 Judicial Clerkship Panel

March 3 3L Job Search Techniques Panel

March 4 Grant Writing, Work-Study, and Summer Funding Program

March 8 (deadline) Loyola Patent Law Interview Program Registration

March 12 (deadline) Farella Braun & Martel Diversity Scholarship

March 31 MoFo Reception

April 1 (deadline) Ms. JD Fellowship

April 23 Public Interest Graduation

TBA Public Interest Fellowships Program

Career Services Office

Drop-in Hours

Have a quick career-related question? Come to the office between 11 AM and 1 PM any weekday and talk to the designated career counselor.

Summer Funding

KHLF: The Career Services Office will collect KHLF Summer and Bar Grant Applications from March 17th through March 31st. Applications will be available through KHLF in late Feb/early March.

Career Services Office: Look for other funding sources at the CSO Funding Resources <u>website</u>.

Essay Competitions are a great way to get your writing published and earn some extra money. Take a look at the <u>Canadian American Bar</u> <u>Association Law Student Essay</u> <u>Competition. First prize \$500, deadline March 7, 2010.</u>

APRIL 5: PHONE INTERVIEWS ON CAMPUS

The **People With Disabilities Foundation**, located in San Francisco, is currently recruiting first, second and third year students for unpaid internships. They will be conducting phone interviews as part of Spring OCI on Monday, April 5 in King Hall.

Please contact Kim Thomas at <u>oci@law.ucdavis.edu</u> if you have any questions.

Industry Information

Interviews, Job Offers, Acceptance, and Withdrawal of Applications

The legal community is generally client-driven and therefore hyperaware of professionalism or lack thereof. Here are a few pointers on professionalism related to your job search to help you avoid creating a bad name for yourself and the King Hall community.

Interviews—do you have an interview scheduled that you can't attend? It is imperative that you contact the employer in advance (ASAP!) so that they can remove you from their calendar and go to a waitlist if they have one.

Offers—did you get an offer that you aren't interested in? Don't ignore it. It is common courtesy to contact the employer, politely decline the offer, and thank them for the opportunity and the time they took to consider your candidacy.

Acceptance—once you accept a position you should withdraw your candidacy from other employers and politely cancel any interviews. If an employer finds out that you are interviewing with them after having accepted another offer they will likely regard you as untrustworthy and unprofessional.

Offer after accepting another job—you should not renege. Once you have accepted an offer, you should not accept a later one from another employer. The legal community is smaller than you think, and bridges are easy to burn. "Bad faith", "poor judgment", and "unprofessional" are the words/ phrases that will resonate in the jilted employer's head. References who may have vouched for your character will also be disinclined to help you in the future due to the sullying of their reputations.



Questions or Comments? Contact Career Services at <u>careerservices@law.ucdavis.edu</u> or call 530.752.6574