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3L Job Search Strategies: A Roadmap for Spring 2013 and Beyond

On Tuesday, **March 12th**, 12-1 in **Room 1002**, Career Services staff will discuss what steps 3Ls need to be taking right now to secure post-graduate positions. The presentation will address the diversity of hiring timelines for post-graduate positions, best practices for direct applications, and the continued importance of networking. Information will also be presented about the often confusing state government hiring process for entry-level attorneys and strategies for obtaining contract work following the bar examination (and turning it into permanent work).

Panel on Practice in a Small or Solo Firm

Come and meet successful solo practitioners on Tuesday, **March 12**, 2013 at **noon** in **Room 2303**. These local solo practitioners work in the areas of family law, business and litigation, and estate planning and will talk about their experiences, successes, and pitfalls. The panelists include Sarah B. Orr ('92 Alum), Chad Carlock ('96 Alum) and Edward B. Batista. Lunch will be provided.

Virginia S. Mueller Scholarship for 3Ls

Women Lawyers of Sacramento ("WLS") has established this scholarship in honor of Virginia S. Mueller, a trail-blazing Sacramento lawyer who has worked tirelessly to advance the position of women in the legal profession. The scholarship is available to third year students who will be sitting for the 2013 California bar examination. Special consideration is given to candidates who have worked to expand opportunities for historically disadvantaged persons, including women. **The deadline to apply is March 15, 2013**. Please contact <u>careerservices@law.ucdavis.edu</u> for more information about the application process.



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Walk-In Hours: General: 11 AM - 1 PM, Monday & Friday; 11 AM - Noon & 4 - 5 PM, Tuesday - Thursday

3Ls: 12 PM - 1 PM, Tuesday -Thursday (with Lisa Carlock; 3Ls may also access general walk-ins)

Need more than a few minutes? <u>Call 530.752.6574 to</u> <u>schedule an appointment.</u>

Archive of Recorded CSO Presentations

Career Speaking Event - Things You Should Be Doing to Make Yourself a Better Job Candidate

The Entertainment & Sports Law Society presents: "Every Statistic Becomes an Excuse: Things You Should Be Doing to Make Yourself a Better Job Candidate" on Wednesday, **March 13** at **noon** in **Room 1303**. Subway sandwiches will be served. USC Music Law professor Lance Grode, who formerly served as Executive VP of 20th Century Fox's music division, will discuss how to improve your chances of getting hired. Mr. Grode will address topics including interview preparation and how to make the most of your summer internship, whether entertainment-related or otherwise. This is sure to be a useful presentation for any King Hall student thinking about landing their dream job!

Alumni Student Litigation Mixer

Please join fellow alumni and current King Hall students for a litigation practice area mixer on Wednesday, **March 13th**, from **5:30 to 7:30 p.m.** at the office of Stoel Rives LLP, 500 Capitol Mall, suite 1600, Downtown Sacramento. Any alum with a litigation component to their practice is welcome to attend.

We hope to provide current students with an opportunity to discuss what it is like to work as a litigator. Practitioners will be invited to give brief remarks about their particular area of work. Business attire required. Drinks and refreshments will be served. Parking will be validated for the Bank of the West Tower, entrance on N Street. RSVP <u>here</u>.

For more information, please contact Chris Rockwood at <u>cdrockwood@ucdavis.edu</u>.

Reminder - Attention to Detail in Application Materials

You should **always** double-check the application materials you upload in Symplicity or mail to a prospective employer for errors. Employers do not give very serious consideration to applicants who make errors in their application materials. For example, many employers will not even consider applications that have the wrong employer listed on their cover letter. Such errors show a lack of attention to detail and effectively reduce an applicant's chances of success. Do not let this happen to you by carefully reviewing everything that you submit to an employer.

1Ls Save the Date for Diversity Speed Networking Event and Reception

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Judicial Clerkship Video and Survey for 2Ls

If you missed the recent judicial clerkship information session and are interested in clerkships, a video of the presentation has been posted on the UC Davis intranet site under Technology & Media/Mediasite videos/Career Services/Judicial Clerkship Info Session 3/6/13.

In addition, there are numerous other resources available to you on the <u>Career Services Judicial</u> <u>Clerkship webpage</u>. You may also email <u>careerservices@law.ucdavis.edu</u> or call 530-752-6574 to set up an individual appointment with Natalie Butcher to discuss your clerkship application strategy.

If you wish to apply to clerkships, you **must** be sure to fill out the recommender survey at <u>http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/Clerkships2014</u> by Friday, **May 24, 2013**.

Public Interest Fellowship Program Panel

The Public Interest Fellowship program has been **CHANGED** from Monday, March 11 to Wednesday, **April 3rd** at **noon** in **Room 1002**. The program was originally scheduled for Monday, March 11th. This change is being made so that our former Equal Justice Works and New Voices Fellows on the faculty can participate.

Panelists:

- Professor Rose Cuison Villazor: Former Equal Justice Works Fellow with New York Lawyers for the Public Interest
- Professor Courtney Joslin: Former New Voices Fellow with the National Center for Lesbian Rights
- 3L Yuchih Pearl Kan: 2013 Equal Justice Works Fellow with California Rural Legal Assistance
- Moderator: Kirsten Hill, Career Services

Join the distinguished panelists for an informative discussion about Post-Graduate Public Interest Fellowships. Fellowships are an ideal way to begin your public interest career and King Hall has a long history of success in the fellowship market. The relationships you build and the opportunities you take advantage of as 1Ls and 2Ls are an important part of enhancing your candidacy. This panel will provide both a general introduction to fellowships and specific advice for preparing a strong application. This is a don't miss program for anyone interested in pursuing a public interest career!

Reminder - Thank you Letters

Write a thank you letter after every interview (some employers may specifically request no thank you letters (for those employers you should follow their request)). Your thank you letter should be short, sweet, and to the point, either handwritten or e-mailed.

Make sure that you send a thank you letter/email to everyone that you interview with. If you interviewed with more than one person from the same employer, you should be sure to send the thank you note in the same form to each interviewer (i.e. all cards or all emails). If hand-written, it is best to go to a stationary store and ask them for plain note cards with matching envelopes. Try to send your letters out within 24-48 hours after the interview.

Diversity Opportunities

Diversity opportunities can be found <u>here</u> and on <u>Symplicity</u>.

<u>Goodwin Public Interest Fellowships for Law Students of Color</u> Deadline: Extended to **March 22**, 2013

<u>American Intellectual Property Law Education Foundation - Sidney B. Williams, Jr. Scholarships</u> Deadline: **March 15**, 2013

Robert M. Takasugi Public Interest Fellowship Deadline: **March 15**, 2013

Zelle Hoffman Voelbel & Mason, LLP Diversity In Law Scholarship Deadline: **April 1**, 2013

Department of Fair Employment and Housing's (DFEH) Positions for 3Ls

The Department of Fair Employment and Housing's (DFEH) Elk Grove office is hiring three recent graduates to start work following the Bar. Last year the Department hired three King Hall graduates from the class of 2012. See job posting <u>here</u>. The Department plans to interview in late March and early April. The application process is outlined below.

Step 1: Immediately take the GLA examination. The exam packet and instructions for taking the exam can be found <u>here</u>.

Step 2: Complete the state application form - STD 678, which can be found <u>here</u>. Students must indicate that the form is being submitted for BOTH the GLA examination AND the GLA position with DFEH.

Step 3: Send the following to the DFEH - Complete Graduate Legal Assistant Examination Packet, Completed State Application Form 678, a copy of your resume, and a copy of your transcript (unofficial is fine).

If you have any questions regarding this opportunity, please contact Kirsten Hill at <u>khhill@ucdavis.edu</u>. If interested, please take the GLA exam and apply as soon as possible!

Upcoming 1L and 2L Government Honors Deadlines

The following government programs have 2L deadlines coming up in the next few weeks. Details of these programs are provided in the 2012-13 Government Honors & Internship Handbook, located at www.law.arizona.edu/career/honorshandbook.cfm.

- Department of Commerce Office of General Counsel Legal Internship Program (Paid & Unpaid, Deadline 03/15/13)
- House of Representatives Committee on the Judiciary Majority Office Intern Program (Unpaid,

Deadline 03/15/13)

- New State Attorney General Legal Internship Program (Unpaid, Deadline 03/15/13)
- Office of the US Trade Representative Student Internship Program (Unpaid, Deadline 03/15/13)
- International Trade Administration Volunteer Internship Program (Unpaid, Deadline 03/30/13)
- Federal Communications Commission Wireless Telecommunications Bureau Student Internship Program (Unpaid, Deadline 03/31/13).

Programs with "Rolling Deadlines" review applications and fill positions on an ongoing basis, so apply early for these programs.

Air Force JAG Employment Opportunity for 3Ls

The Air Force JAG Corps is hiring between 80-100 new JAGs this year. The next Direct Appointment Program (DAP) selection board for 3L students will occur in April. Applicants will need to complete the application materials and do a Staff Judge Advocate interview at an Air Force Base. The due date for applications and scheduling interviews is **March 15**, 2013, **but applicants should get everything done as soon as possible** because interview schedules tend to fill up quickly. Application materials can be accessed <u>here</u>. Interview locations can be accessed <u>here</u>.

White House Internship Program

The application for the Fall 2013 White House Internship Program is now open. The White House Internship Program provides a unique opportunity to gain valuable professional experience and build leadership skills. This hands-on program is designed to mentor and cultivate today's young leaders, strengthen their understanding of the Executive Office of the President and engage them in public service opportunities.

A complete application includes: short answers, two essay questions, a one-page resume, and two letters of recommendation. The deadline to apply for the fall program is **April 7, 2013**.

For more information and to apply, please visit <u>www.whitehouse.gov/internships</u>.

Public Interest Summer Funding - Deadlines and Grant Information

The American Association for Justice 2013 Law Student Scholarships

The American Association for Justice (AAJ) is proud to announce its 2013 Law Student Scholarship cycle has begun. AAJ offers more than \$20,000 in annual scholarship funds, as well as programs for law students to enhance their legal education by attending AAJ's 2013 Annual Convention in San Francisco, CA. For more information about individual scholarships, and eligibility requirements, please <u>click here</u>. Applicants for AAJ scholarships must be AAJ Law Student Members. Law Students can join at the rate of \$15. Student membership applications can be <u>found here</u>. For more information and questions, contact Catherine Rodman at <u>catherine.rodman@justice.org</u> or 202-944-2834.

Ms. JD Scholarship 2013 Public Interest Scholarship

Ms. JD is pleased to be offering \$500 scholarships for law students working in public interest law this summer. This year's essay topic asks applicants to explain their philosophy as a public interest attorney. How do you believe the law serves as a vehicle for social change? How could your desired public interest position/career impact an issue you believe is important? Unpaid judicial externs also qualify for these scholarships. Students need not have a placement at the time of their application, but must send an offer letter to Ms. JD by the beginning of the summer. To apply, please send a resume, anticipated employer, other sources of funding, and essay on the aforementioned topic to <u>Bence@msjd.org</u>. Please include your Ms. JD user ID in your cover letter or in the plain text of your email. Applications are due no later than **March 15**, 2013.

Equal Justice Works Summer Corps

<u>Summer Corps</u> will be accepting students into the program on a rolling basis until the application process closes on Monday, **March 18**, 2013.

U.S. Court of Federal Claims Bar Association 2013 Carole Bailey Scholarship

The 2013 Carole Bailey Scholarship will award at least one annual law student scholarship of up to

\$5,000. The deadline is 11:59 pm Eastern Time on July 15, 2013. Further details may be found here.

**For information regarding other public interest summer funding visit the <u>Funding Resources page</u> in the Career Services portion of the law school website and <u>PSJD</u>. **

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California Independent System Operator (ISO) (Folsom, CA): Deadline March 10, 2013, <u>Symplicity</u> ID# 342777 (for 1Ls, 2Ls)

Solano County Superior Court (Fairfield, CA): Deadline March 29, 2013, <u>Symplicity</u> ID# 342855 (for 1Ls, 2Ls)

United States Bankruptcy Court, Eastern District of CA (Sacramento, CA): Deadline April 5, 2013, <u>Symplicity</u> ID# 342825 (for 1Ls, 2Ls)

California Attorney General's Office Summer Honors Program (Fresno, CA): Deadline April 30, 2013, <u>Symplicity</u> ID# 342315 (for 2Ls)

American Bar Association, John J. Curtin, Jr. Justice Fund (Washington, D.C.): Deadline March 25, 2013, <u>Symplicity</u> ID#342421 (for 1Ls, 2Ls)

Antone, Casagrande & Adwers, P.C. (Farmington Hills, MI): Deadline March 31, 2013, <u>Symplicity</u> ID#341792 (for 3Ls)



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