

University of Missouri

Career Development Newsletter

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February 2008 Events Calendar

Friday, February 8, 2008

Picking a Practice Area:

"Everything You Wanted To Know About Picking A Practice Area But Never Knew To Ask:" A presentation by attorneys from Greensfelder, Hemker & Gale. 1Ls, 2Ls, and 3Ls who attend may choose to receive either a Career Component or a Profession11 Perspectives credit. The event will be held at 1 p.m. in the Courtroom.

Friday, February 8, 2008:

WLA hosts speaker Margaret Donnelley. This event satisfies a Professional Perspectives credit and will be held at 1 p.m. in Room 6.

Wednesday, February 27, 2008

Mocktails: Learn the art of networking at a "mocktail" event. This event will be held from 4:30 to 6 p.m. Watch your e-mail for more information.

Welcome back to the University of Missouri! Your class is now officially halfway done with your law school careers. We know that there are still a lot of big decisions that lie ahead for each of you, and we hope you come to the Office of Career and Professional Development with any questions you may have about finding a summer job or any other concern that may arise.

We look forward to having some more great Career Component and Professional Development programs for you this semester, so don't forget to fulfill your required programs before the end of the semester. We know you have a lot going on right now, but please keep us in mind for any problems you may have. We look forward to hearing from you. Good luck!

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to the University of Missouri arbitration teams for qualifying for and competing in the 2008 Arbitration National Competition in Orlando, Florida. The participants were Tommie Anderson, Darryl Chatman, Carly Duvall, David Harris, Josh Jones, R.J. Morrison, Scott Fox, and Amanda Wolf.

Congratulations to the 2008 BOA Mock Trial winners, Josh Jones and Ben Hodges, and second-place finishers, Clayton Ballard and Bond Wilkinson.

Congratulations also are in order for the winners of the BOA Mediation Competition, Sarah Garber and Stephanie Bell, and second-place finishers, Ashley Kremer and Brett Blomme.

Peace Corps recruiters coming to campus

Have you thought about traveling and living overseas, and gaining valuable international work experience after graduation? The Peace Corps will be in Columbia to discuss with students the opportunity to help improve the lives of others. An informational meeting featuring a video will be held Tuesday, February 5, from 6 to 7 p.m. in the Student Success Center. Additionally, there will be an informational table on Wednesday, February 6 from 9 a.m. to noon in the Agriculture Building. For more information, visit www.peacecorps.gov, or call (800) 424-8580, or contact Mark Kittrell at (312) 353-7748 or mkittrell2@peacecorps.gov.

Seeking a Job or Clerkship With In-House Counsel?

The Office of Career and Professional Development has received the *Missouri In-House 2008 Directory* published by Missouri Lawyers Weekly. This publication has the contact information for in-house attorneys at a variety of businesses and universities throughout Missouri. If you're interested in obtaining experience with in-house counsel, this may prove to be a valuable tool in your job search. This is available in the Career Services Library and may be checked out for 2 days at a time.

Jobs, Jobs, Jobs

In-state opportunities

- The Columbia law firm Faber and Brand, L.L.C., seeks one or more research assistant(s). 2Ls may apply for this position. Those interested should send a cover letter, resume and writing sample to Stuart Mullen, Faber and Brand, L.L.C., P.O. Box 10110, Columbia, MO 65205.
- Columbia attorney Stephen Wyse seeks a 2L law clerk to work this semester and throughout the summer. The selected student will work approximately 10-20 hours/week. Practice areas include criminal defense, civil rights, family law, and personal injury. Please submit resume and writing sample to Stephen Wyse, 609 E. Broadway, Columbia, MO 65201. 3L Matt Morris is Mr. Wyse's current clerk and would be happy to answer questions about his work experiences.
- The Missouri State Public Defender System is accepting applications for a Law Clerk to assist the Transfer Attorney in the Columbia Public Defender Director's Office. This position involves communicating by telephone and mail with Public Defender clients throughout the state, as well as inmates, potential clients, and family members regarding the criminal process and the specific concerns of their case/situation. It will also include communicating with Public Defenders statewide to address and resolve concerns that come to the attention of the Director's Office. The selected individual will also help with the assignment of conflict cases to private attorneys as needed. The selected individual will deal with confidential information and learn about the criminal process and key legal issues of concern to clients and attorneys. This position is a great opportunity to use and enhance client communication skills and learn

about the practice of criminal law. Office hours are 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. Applicants must be available to work 15 hours/ week during normal business hours. Applicants must be 2Ls. Pay is \$10.00/hour. The anticipated start date is March 1; the position will continue through the summer and 3L school year. Hours are flexible, and the office will work around the student's schedule/finals for each semester. The selected applicant may possibly work 20 hours/week during the summer and between school sessions. Applications are available at any local Public Defender Office, by calling (573) 882-9855, or via website at www.publicdefender.mo.gov. Send completed applications to Office of State Public Defender, Attn: Human Resources, 1000 West Nifong, Bldg. 7, Suite 100, Columbia, MO 65203. In order to be considered for this position, the application must be received by Friday, February 1.

For more job opportunities, visit:
<http://law.missouri.edu/jd/careers/students>

International Law Fellowship

The American Society of International Law announces the Fourth Annual Arthur C. Helton Fellowship program. Law students seeking assistance in conducting international fieldwork and law-related research are encouraged to apply.

Micro-grants will be granted for logistics, housing, and living expenses and other costs related to the student's fieldwork and research. Application form and guidelines may be found at the ASIL Web site, www.asil.org, or by calling (856) 380-6810. Materials are due no later than February 15 at fellowships@asil.org.