

# University of Missouri

## Career Development Newsletter

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### March 2008 Events Calendar

*Match 6, 2008, Small-Firm Expo*  
The Third Annual Small Firm & Public Interest Expo is just around the corner. Attorneys from government agencies, not-for-profits, and firms of less than 25 lawyers will be at the law school for a late-afternoon reception with fellow practitioners and law students. This is a great opportunity to network and talk with legal professionals about your career plans. The Expo will be held from 4-6 p.m. in the Student Lounge Subplaza.

*March 12, 2008, Career Choices, Environmental Law*  
The Missouri Environmental Law & Policy Review is pleased to host this even, featuring panel members Joe Bindeutel, Stephen Jeffery, and Christopher Pieper, who will speak to students about their day-to-day activities as practicing environmental law attorneys and give insight into how they got to where they are today. The discussion will be held on at 1 p.m. in the Courtroom. Attendance will satisfy a Career Component credit.

*March 19, 2008, Careers in Taxation*  
Listen to a panel of practitioners who practice in the field of taxation and representatives from UMKC's LLM in Taxation program. The program will be held at 1 p.m. in the Courtroom. Attendance satisfies a Career Component credit.

**H**ello 1Ls. We know you are continuing to get busier as the semester progresses, but we want to remind you about your Career Development and Professional Perspectives credits. We also urge you to come talk to us with any questions you may have as you continue your job hunt. As always, good luck!

### Lambda Legal Variety Show

Lambda Legal's Annual Variety Show will be held at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, March 5 at SOCO Club. "Celebrity" judges include Professors Lambert, Mitchell, and XXX.

Even if you do not intend to perform, please consider attending and supporting your classmates. SoCo will be having a drink special that night, and the \$5 cover charge will benefit the Regional Aids Interfaith Network of Mid-Missouri ("RAIN").

### Congratulations

Congratulations to David Harris and Darryl Chapman, who recently won first place at the Client Counseling Regional Competition. They will now go on to compete in Client Counseling National Competition.

**For career information, visit the Career Development Web site at [www.law.missouri.edu/jd/careers/students](http://www.law.missouri.edu/jd/careers/students).**

### Third-Annual Small-Firm Expo this week

Each year we have had nearly 60 attorneys here for you to meet — far more than the number of all attorneys here this spring for on-campus interviewing. No other law school in Missouri hosts such a program and we work to coordinate this with the Missouri Bar's Small Firm Committee.

We will serve an appetizer buffet and beverages beginning at 4 p.m. A list of the attorneys invited and in attendance will be available in Room 103 the day of the expo.

The Expo is also an excellent opportunity to meet lawyers from across the state who practice with federal, state, and local government, legal services offices, or other public interest entities. Up to 25 percent of MU Law graduates begin their careers with government agencies and many of the attorneys in attendance will be the hiring decision makers for those positions.

Students who attended earlier expos have benefited both by expanding their contacts with practicing lawyers and obtaining externships and jobs. We look forward to seeing you there! Please note that attire for the Expo is business casual. See the Career Development Newsletter Archive for September 6, 2007 for tips on business casual attire. You need not bring resumes with you but you should be prepared to gracefully ask for business cards and to follow up with thank you notes to attorneys with whom you chatted.