

THE CCS BUZZ

Your weekly guide to what is important to your career and professional development

Week of March 23, 2009



UPCOMING EVENTS

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- 3/24 2L/3Ls What Should I Be Doing Now?
12pm, 136 BG
- 3/25 Everything You Need to Know About
Off Campus Recruiting, 12pm, HOL 345
- 4/1 Federal Law Clerk Roundtable
12pm, FDR by Federal Bar Association
- 4/8 Judicial Clerkship Application Process
12pm, FDR

CONGRATULATIONS!!!

Federal Judicial Clerks

Congratulations to the following May 09 graduates who will begin their legal career as federal judicial law clerks:

U.S. District Court for the Middle District of Georgia

Lorna Cobb, Chief Judge Hugh Lawson

Eleventh Circuit Court of Appeals

Larry Dougherty, Judge Charles R. Wilson

Charles Roberson, Senior Judge Peter T. Fay

U.S. District Court for the Middle District of Florida

David Karp, Judge Susan Bucklew

Sasha Lohn-McDermott, Judge Virginia M.

Hernandez Covington

Lindsay Saxe, Judge Steven D. Merryday

Margaret Hunt, Judge Morales Howard

U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Florida

Elizabeth Manno, Judge John Richard Smoak

Ben Williamson, Judge M. Casey Rodgers

U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Florida

Dante Trevisani, Senior Judge James L. King

U.S. Bankruptcy Court

Michael Friedman, U.S. Bankruptcy Judge Paul Hyman



Interested in a Judicial Clerkship? Make plans to attend the two upcoming judicial clerkship programs on 4/1 at 12pm in FDR to listen to Gator judicial law clerks, and on 4/8 at 12pm in FDR to learn about the process from obtaining letters of recommendation to applying to accepting an offer. Please be aware that the judicial application process typically is accomplished over one year in advance, so don't miss out on great opportunities by missing critical deadlines. 2L's will be applying during SUMMER 2009 for positions beginning fall 2010.

1L CORNER

UPCOMING EVENTS

- 3/27 What Should I Be Doing Now? 12pm, 136 BG
- 4/13 1L Shadow Program 10am, 136 BG

1L Shadow Program

This program allows you to observe attorneys at work in their offices and possibly in court. Some shadow opportunities can even include legal intern duties. This is a great way to start building your network & learn first hand about what lawyers actually do. Watch your email for more information.

Why Pro Bono?

Neil Chonin, from Southern Legal Counsel, quoted Chesterfield Smith at the *Pro Bono Symposium* saying to students, "If you do not work to improve justice, I hope you flunk your exams." Mr. Chonin along with Marcie Green, from Three Rivers Legal Services, and George Schulz, Jr., from Holland & Knight, all echoed the importance of new and seasoned attorneys performing pro bono work. It is not just the right thing to do, but expected. It can help budding attorneys build clientele, and help firms build a reputation of good will.

Everything you Need to Know About Off Campus Recruiting

3/25, 12pm, HOL 345

In today's tough employment market, savvy students will take advantage of every opportunity to get in front of employers. Off campus recruiting events are examples of such opportunities too often overlooked. Make sure you are aware of the registration deadlines this spring and summer for employment during summer 2010.

What Should I Be Doing Now?

2Ls/3Ls: 3/25, 136 BG

1Ls: 3/27, 12pm, 136 BG

As summer approaches CCS counselors Jessie Howell Wallace and Kristen Bryant will be on hand to help you figure out your next step. No matter where you are in your job search process, and whatever your goals, it is important to plan ahead and be sure you do not miss any opportunities



Careers in Labor & Employment Law - Orlando



The American Bar Association's Section of Labor and Employment invites students to several ABA events that are taking place in Orlando. On **Friday, April 3, 2009**, the Section's Law School Outreach Task Force will hold a panel on Careers in Labor and Employment Law. During this event, experienced practitioners will provide plaintiff, labor union, government, and employer perspectives on the practice of employment law. This event will take place from 12:30pm to 2:00pm at the Ritz-Carlton Grande Lakes Resort. Students are also invited to attend, as guests of the EEO Committee and at no charge, an Immigration for Employment Lawyers seminar from 1:30pm to 3:30pm, and a networking reception from 6:00pm to 7:30pm, also at the Ritz-Carlton. Students wishing to participate should **RSVP by March 30** to Tracey Moore at MooreT@staff.abanet.org. Complete information about the ABA Section of Labor and Employment Law's National Conference on Equal Employment Opportunity Law, April 1-4, 2009, is available at www.abanet.org/labor/mw/2009/eo/eo-mw09.shtml.

JAX Networking Events

The Young Lawyers Section of the Jacksonville Bar Association invites you to attend:

Date: Wednesday, **March 25, 2009**

Event: YLS Judicial Breakfast with Circuit Civil Judges

Location: Judge Moran's Chambers

Time: 8:00am

Date: Thursday, **April 9, 2009**

Event: RENDEZVOUS ON THE RIVER Happy Hour

Location: River City Brewing Company

Time: 5:30pm - 8:30pm



PRO BONO & COMMUNITY SERVICE HOURS

DEADLINE - 4/3, 3pm

Participants of the Pro Bono & Community Service Projects: It is important to keep your hours up to date with the CCS. 1Ls & 2Ls earning at least 35 hours this school year in either project will be eligible to attend the Volunteer Celebration. Graduating 3Ls need to turn in all hours earned to ensure they will receive the correct tier certificate at the Volunteer Celebration, and to be competitive for the Student of the Year Award.

All hours and paperwork must be turned in to the CCS no later than 3pm on April 3rd.

NEW RESOURCES IN THE CCS!

- **The Insider's Guide to Getting a Big Firm Job: What Every Law Student Should Know About Interviewing** - Erika Finn & Jessica Olman
- **The Young Lawyer's Jungle Book: A Survival Guide** - Thane Josef Messinger
- **Later in Life Lawyers: Tips for the Non-Traditional Law Student** - Charles Cooper



CCS AVAILABILITY

***NEW* Tuesdays:** The CCS will have a counselor available until 7:00pm.

Hours of Operation: M-F 8am-5pm.

Walk-Ins: Have a quick question? Pop in M-Th 8:30am-3pm.

Appointments: Ask at the front desk or email careers@law.ufl.edu.

IM: Fridays, 9am-5pm for Yahoo, Hotmail, AOL
Screen name: UFLAWCAREERS.

Blog: Check out the NEW and CONTINUALLY UPDATED place to find your important career planning info: uflawccs.blogspot.com.



Although Career Services reports announcements of opportunities and events that may state a preference for a specified religion, gender, sexual orientation, race, nationality, ethnicity, disability or other category, it is UF Law CCS's policy that any interested UF Law student is eligible to submit credentials for consideration and may participate in the events.

