

# THE CCD BUZZ

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

Week of August 31, 2009

## UPCOMING CCD PROGRAMS

- 9/1 Out-of-State Job Search  
(focusing on Atlanta & DC)  
12pm, HOL 345
- 9/2 Career Opportunities with the DOJ  
Speaker: DOJ Atty, Jason Whittemore  
12pm, HOL 345
- 9/8 Beyond OCI, 12pm, HOL 345
- 9/9 New York Practice  
12pm, HOL 345



### Out-Of State Job Search

If you wish to explore opportunities available outside of Florida, please join us at this program where you will learn critical strategies for increasing your marketability beyond our state. Join the CCD for a program on Conducting Out of State job searches with a focus on Atlanta and DC on Tuesday, September 1st at noon in HOL 345. Atlanta offers excellent opportunities at major law firms. The District of Columbia has offices of most major law firms, many of which are involved in lobbying as well as law, and marvelous opportunities for those interested in government service.

### Career Opportunities with the DOJ



Come hear Department of Justice (DOJ) Attorney Jason Whittemore, on 9/2 at 12pm in HOL 345, discuss DOJ opportunities with impending deadlines of September 8th. There are multiple DOJ programs including: a paid summer law internship program for 2L's, the attorney honors programs for 3L's (the primary means to an entry-level position) as well as volunteer internship opportunities within the agency for all levels.

### GEORGE V. POWELL DIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIP

Lane Powell has more than 130 years of commitment to our communities. This commitment is reflected in Lane Powell's hiring and promotion of women and individuals from diverse backgrounds. As part of this commitment to diversity, the firm has created the George V. Powell Diversity Scholarship. The George V. Powell Scholar will be a 2010 summer associate in the firm's Seattle or Portland office, and receive a \$7,500 scholarship toward tuition and expenses during the student's third year of law school. **DEADLINE October 1.** For more information & how to apply visit:

[www.lanepowell.com/firm/scholarship.asp](http://www.lanepowell.com/firm/scholarship.asp)

## *Congratulations!*

### Chester Bedell Inn of Court Pupils for 2009-2010

Congratulations to the following 6 students who will be representing the University of Florida Levin College of Law at the Chester Bedell Inn of Court in Jacksonville for 2009-2010.

Christopher Goodwin    Dan Stocker  
Alex King                    A. Daniel Vazquez-Pillar  
Allison McElhaney        Ashley Williams

### Apply Now! James C. Adkins, Jr. Inn of Court

Applications for the **James C. Adkins, Jr. Inn of Court, Gainesville** are now available from Professor Diane Tomlinson in L R & W and the application deadline is **Friday, September 18<sup>th</sup>**. Information regarding the D.R. Smith Inn of Court, Ocala will be announced shortly. The esteemed American Inns of Court, is a legal mentoring organization that teams law students (pupils) with new lawyers (associates), seasoned practitioners (barristers), and judges and senior trial lawyers (Masters of the Bench). The purpose of the Inns is to further the traditions of learning by example, through discussion and social interaction to develop a deeper sense of professionalism, a higher level of excellence and to further the practice of law with dignity and integrity among judges, senior barristers and law students.



## Federal Trade Commission



The Federal Trade Commission impacts each of us every day. It protects consumers by fostering competition, regulating certain industries and practices, and by educating the public. This commission hires law students of all class years and recent graduates contingent upon bar admission to any state or the District of Columbia.

Check the Arizona Honors & Internship Handbook for more information and how to apply at: [www.law.arizona.edu/career/honorshandbook.cfm](http://www.law.arizona.edu/career/honorshandbook.cfm) For login information contact the CCD at [careers@law.ufl.edu](mailto:careers@law.ufl.edu). **Some application deadlines are at the end of September!**

## Keeping OCI In Perspective

**Fact: Most UF Law graduates did not obtain their employment through Fall OCI.**

- Often cited means of obtaining post-graduate positions included:
  - referral by a business colleague, friend, relative, alumni, or school personnel or
  - initiated contact by a targeted mailing or
  - informational interview or
  - as a result of networking.

**Fact:** The majority of Florida law firms are medium-sized and not just seeking students at the top of their class. Only 10% of all practicing lawyers nationally work at firms of more than 100 lawyers.

**Fact:** Small and medium-sized law firms are less likely to participate in Fall OCI.

Many legal employers hire on an "as needed" basis as opposed to the hiring cycle of large firms.

**Fact:** Different employers participate in Spring OCI and seek a broader range of students.

More government employers interview in spring.

**Fact:** 80% of all current job openings are never advertised.

**Fact:** The best jobs do not always go to the best candidate. They go to the best job strategist! Persistence Pays

**Fact:** There are myriad of job opportunities available to YOU beyond OCI. Be sure to attend:

**Beyond OCI: Exploring All Your Career Options** scheduled for Tuesday, September 8<sup>th</sup> in Room 345 at noon to learn more.

## Now Forming! CCD Student Advisory Committee

The Career Development Student Advisory Committee, comprised of individual students and representatives from student organizations, will meet in September, October, February and March to share ideas about ways that the Center for Career Development can best assist students in meeting their career goals. The committee also will explore ways for Career Development to partner with individual student organizations to provide complementary programming, guest speakers and to combine resources to provide greater benefits to all. If you are interested in serving on this committee, please email your resume along with a one to two paragraph expression of your interest by September 14<sup>th</sup> to [careers@law.ufl.edu](mailto:careers@law.ufl.edu).

### FIND US ON:

**twitter** & **facebook**

Find CCD programming, tips & other important information on your favorite social networking sites!

- On Facebook do a search for UF Law Career Services & request to join.
- On Twitter follow us at [twitter.com/UFLawCareers](http://twitter.com/UFLawCareers)

## CCD AVAILABILITY

**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](mailto:careers@law.ufl.edu).**

**IM: Friday, 10am-4pm for Yahoo, Hotmail & AOL  
Screen name: UFLAWCAREERS.**

**Twitter: [twitter.com/uflawcareers](http://twitter.com/uflawcareers)**

**Facebook: do a search for [UF Law Career Services](#)**

**Blog: Check out the CONTINUALLY UPDATED place to find your important career planning info: [uflawccs.blogspot.com](http://uflawccs.blogspot.com)**



**Although Career Development 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 CCD's policy that any interested UF Law student is eligible to submit credentials for consideration and may participate in the events.**

