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## Student Services Update



*Student Services is on the fifth floor at 57 Worth St. Call us at 431-2851.*

### WRITING COMPETITION

#### **The International Association of Defense Counsel, 1997 Legal Writing Contest.**

**Topic:** A subject of practical concern to lawyers engaged in the management and defense of civil litigations, such as relevant aspects of tort law, insurance law, constitutional law, conflict of laws, limitations of actions, parties, standing, agency, jurisdiction, civil procedure, evidence, judgements, damages, settlements, appeals, alternative dispute resolutions or professional ethics.

**Prizes:** \$2,000; \$1,000; \$500

**Deadline:** April 4, 1997

#### **The Younger Lawyers Division and Energy, Environment & National Resources Section of the Federal Bar Association Legal Writing Competition.**

**Topic:** Should Congress supplement the compensation available to property owners under the takings clause of the Fifth Amendment with a statutory program of property owner compensation? If so, what compensation threshold and exceptions might a statutory program contain?

**Prize:** \$300; \$200; \$100

**Deadline:** March 15, 1997.

### STUDENT ACTIVITIES

**Christian Legal Society:** General meeting on January 21, at 5:30 p.m. Room to be announced. For further information, please contact Valerie Armstrong-Barrows (evening student) via mailfolder.

**Latino Law Students Association:** PRLDEF Reception on January 23, at 5 p.m. in the Ernst Stiefel Reading Room.

**Environmental Law Society:** will hold two general meetings on January 23 -- the first at 1 p.m. and the second at 2 p.m. Room to be announced.

**Law Student For Child Advocacy:** Organization meeting and elections, on January 28 at 5:30 p.m. Room to be announced. If you have any questions please contact Valerie Armstrong-Barrows (evening student) via mailfolder.

**Legal Association for Women:** General meeting, on January 29 in room B300 from 1:30 to 2 p.m. Everyone is welcome.



### THE PEOPLE OF THE WIZARDOM OF OZ V. DOROTHY GALE

On Monday, January 27, Dorothy Gale will stand trial for the murders of the Wicked Witches of the West and East and the theft of a pair of ruby slippers.

Defense witnesses will include Auntie Em (portrayed by Professor Nadine Strossen), Lion, Scarecrow, Tin Man, Glinda and the defendant, Dorothy Gale. The prosecution's star witness is expected to be the Great and Powerful Wizard of Oz.

The trial, organized by the Student Bar Association, the Moot Court Association and the Audio-Visual Department, will take place in the Ernst Stiefel Reading Room, from 5:30 p.m. to 9 p.m.

Adjunct Professor Gerald Lebovits will be the judge, and the audience will be the jury. Members of the audience who are present at 5:30 p.m. will receive jury cards. Those with jury cards who remain until the end of the trial, will be allowed to cast their ballot for guilt or innocence.

### FINANCIAL AID



**1997 - 1998**

#### FINANCIAL AID APPLICATION MATERIALS

The Office of Financial Aid will distribute the 1997 - 98 application materials to all New York Law School students in the lobby of the B Building as follows:

Monday, January 27th	10 a.m. - 6 p.m.
Tuesday, January 28th	10 a.m. - 6 p.m.
Wednesday, January 29th	10 a.m. - 6 p.m.

Due to the confidential information provided within the packets, all students will be required to present their NYLS Identification Card upon pick up. Students who did not receive financial assistance in the previous years are encouraged to stop by the distribution site since packets have been assembled for all students.

# Career Services Update

*For applications or more information on any of these opportunities, please contact the Office of Career Services on the fifth floor at 53 Worth Street, or call us at 431-2345.*

## FELLOWSHIPS

- **The Joseph Solomon Public Service Fellowship and Endowment Fund Postgraduate Fellowship**  
The Solomon Fellowship Fund awards a postgraduate fellowship with a stipend of \$5,000 a year for up to three years, over and above the Fellow's regular salary. Applicants must have secured a position by the time they apply for the fellowship. Applications are available in the "Public Interest Funding Manual" handout on the carousel outside the Office of Career Services. DEADLINE: MAY 16, 1997.
- **Women's Research and Education Institute Congressional Fellowships on Women and Public Policy**  
DEADLINE: FEBRUARY 15, 1997.
- **The Rockefeller Foundation - Warren Weaver Fellowship Program**  
DEADLINE: FEBRUARY 28, 1997.

## SUMMER PROGRAMS

- **Sony Internship Program**  
Sony Electronics Inc.'s Law Department is sponsoring an internship program for a law student who has completed his or her second year. The intern will work in a corporate law department. The internship is full-time during the summer following the second year of law school and part-time during the fall and spring semesters of the third year. Further information is available. DEADLINE: JUNE 1, 1997.
- **Funding for Summer Public Interest Volunteer Work**  
NYLS has established the following fellowship programs to provide support to law students seeking summer work with nonprofit organizations or federal, state, or local government agencies: the Public Interest Fellowship Fund; the Public Interest Coalition Fellowship Fund; and the Joseph Solomon Public Service Fellowship and Endowment Fund. Each fellowship provides recipients with a stipend to support work in an otherwise non-paying or partially paid summer public interest internship. Awards are in the amount of \$350 per week for ten weeks. Applicants for certain

fellowships must have secured a summer placement prior to applying, while applicants for others need not have. Applications are available in the "Public Interest Funding Manual" handout on the carousel outside the Office of Career Services. DEADLINE RANGES FROM: MARCH 3, 1997 to APRIL 30, 1997. Decisions are made on a rolling basis so you are encouraged to apply as soon as possible.

- **New Jersey Summer Public Interest Legal Intern Program**  
DEADLINE: FEBRUARY 14, 1997.
- **Office of Minority Affairs, Law School Admission Council, Summer Internship -**  
DEADLINE: FEBRUARY 20, 1997.


## STUDENTS OF COLOR

- **Class of 1999: Special Telecommunications Fellowship**  
The Teleport Communications Group, Inc., a major telecommunications company located in Staten Island has an internship opportunity for full-time work for the Summer of 1997 and part-time work during the following academic year. The intern will work on litigation projects, legislative issues, and transactional work. Further information is available. DEADLINE: JANUARY 24, 1997.
- **City Bar Summer Fellow Program**  
DEADLINE: FEBRUARY 3, 1997.

## GETTING INTO THE U.S. ATTORNEY'S OFFICE

This information panel discusses various issues relating to obtaining employment at the U.S. Attorney's Office, with a particular emphasis on minority representation. This panel will be held at The Association of the Bar of the City of New York, House of the Association, 42 West 44th Street on February 27, 1997 at 7 p.m. No fees or reservations required.

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### RECEPTION FOR JUDGE WRIGHT

Retired Judge Bruce M. Wright '50 will talk about his new book "Black Justice in a White World" on January 28, at 6 p.m., in The Dining Room. Refreshments will be served. This reception is co-sponsored with the Association of Black Women Attorneys. Please R.S.V.P. on the list located on the bulletin board between rooms B503 & B505.

### NETWORKING LUNCH KICKOFF

On Wednesday, January 29, at 1 p.m. in room C400, Career Services will present a Networking Lunch Kickoff, featuring a presentation by Eva Wisnik, President of Wisnik Career Strategies, Inc. Ms. Wisnik has worked for many years counseling attorneys in their job searches. She

will discuss how to initiate and follow-up on networking leads and explain how to make the most of the Networking Lunch Program and other events. Please R.S.V.P. on the list located on the bulletin board between rooms B503 & B505.

### DETROIT METROPOLITAN BAR ASSOCIATION LARGE LAW FIRM GROUP

This group of CEO's from the nine largest law firms in Detroit aggressively recruits talented, committed law school graduates to work in Detroit's exciting and challenging legal community. Interested students should come to the Office of Career Services and review the brochure.

## Externships

*Attention students applying for the summer or fall 1997 Federal, State Appellate and State Trial Judicial Externship Programs.*

Students applying for a **FEDERAL OR STATE APPELLATE** Judicial Externship:

The **BINDERS listing the judges** participating in the **summer and fall** Judicial Externship Program will be available on **Friday, January 24, 1997** in the Office of Career Services, the Mendik Library (on reserve) and in Susan D'Ambra's Office (room C208).

**Resume collection** for both **SUMMER AND FALL** will take place on **Thursday, January 30, 1997** from 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. and from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. in room B511. Your application should include **20 resumes, 20 copies of a writing sample, the completed Judicial Externship Placement Choice Form listing the 20 judges you want to receive your resume** and if you wish, 20 copies of a recommendation letter.

Students applying for a **STATE TRIAL** Judicial Externship:

The **BINDERS listing the judges** participating in the **summer and fall** Judicial Externship Program will be available on **Monday, February 10, 1997** in the Office of Career Services, the Mendik Library (on reserve) and in Susan D'Ambra's Office (room C208).

**Resume collection for the summer** will take place on **Wednesday, February 26**, from 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. and from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. and on **Thursday, February 27**, from 12 noon to 2 p.m. and 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. in room B511.

**Resume collection** for the **FALL** will take place on **Monday, March 3** from 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. and 4 to 6 p.m. and on **Tuesday, March 4**, from 12 noon to 2 p.m. and 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. in room B511.

Your application should include **20 resumes, 20 copies of a writing sample, the completed Judicial Externship Placement Choice Form listing the 20 judges you want to receive your resume**, and if you wish, 20 copies of a recommendation letter.

It is strongly recommended that you have your resume reviewed by the Office of Career Services before you submit your application. The Office of Career Services offers walk-in hours from 1 p.m. to 2 p.m. Monday through Thursday, and 5 p.m. to 5:45 p.m. on Wednesdays. Career Services is located in the B-Building on the 5th floor.

## SECURITY & SAFETY



### ONLY CURRENT IDENTIFICATION CARDS HONORED AFTER FEBRUARY 1

*Effective February 1, 1997*, only current ID cards (red NYLS box on a white background) will be honored. All students, faculty and staff who have the former ID (school seal on a beige or pink background) will have the opportunity to obtain a free replacement card during the month of January 1997 only. You may present your ID card to the following office:

Students:	Registrar's Office 2nd floor, 57 Worth Street
Faculty and staff:	Human Resources Office 7th floor, 57 Worth Street

You will be given a new ID blank and advised to visit the Copy Center on Wednesdays between the hours of 2 p.m. and 6 p.m. to have your photograph taken. After the photograph is taken, your new ID card will be issued to you and your former ID card will be taken and destroyed.

### REPLACING LOST CARDS

Those persons who have misplaced their identification cards may obtain a replacement by visiting the respective office. There is a \$10.00 fee for student card replacements.

## Faculty Activities

On January 9, Professor Nadine Strossen was a guest on ABC-TV's "Politically Incorrect" with Bill Maher; her co-panelists were Charleton Heston, Laura Ingraham, and Jay Thomas. On January 14, she appeared on CNBC-TV's "Charles Grodin Show," to discuss current constitutional cases in the news, including the physician-assisted suicide cases and *Clinton v. Jones*, which were recently argued before the Supreme Court. She has also been invited to write occasional columns for *Upside Magazine* (aimed at computer industry executives) about civil liberties issues in cyberspace.

## News Briefs

### WRITING SPECIALIST WORKSHOP

Tell It To The Judge: How a Brief Is Not a Memo  
 Wednesday, January 22 1:30 p.m.- 3:30 p.m., C200  
 Monday, January 27 1:30 p.m.- 3:30 p.m., C200  
 Saturday, February 1 11 a.m. - 1 p.m., A400

### FROM THE LIBRARY

Upper Division Refresher Training

Do you want to brush up on your Westlaw and Lexis skills? The library is offering refresher training during the weeks of January 20th and 27th. Sign up at the Library Circulation Desk.

### CONGRATULATIONS!

Congratulations to Edward Chukwuemeke Okeke, whose article "Judicial Review of Foreign Arbitral Awards: Bane, Boon or Boondoggle?" won the New York State Bar Association's Albert S. Pergam International Writing Competition.

### ***DID YOU KNOW...***

the Vice President, Office of  
Dispute Resolution, at the NASD

(National Association of  
Securities Dealers)

is a NYLS alumna?

Her name is Deborah Masucci,

Class of '80



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