



Career Corner

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Helping You Shape Your Future

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CAREER TIPS Processing Your Summer Experience

by Pam Hyland

As you return to Hastings full of insights into the legal profession after your summer working in the law world, you may find that you have questions or even concerns regarding your summer experience.

The Career Services counselors are here to help you talk out, work through, and learn from your early legal employment experiences. All sorts of topics may come up in the next few weeks or months and we'd be happy to discuss any of them with you.

Here are just a few examples of concerns with which we've helped students in the past:

- Whether to accept, or how to diplomatically reject, an offer of employment (yes, there are positive ways to do both of these!)
- Understanding, grieving, learning from, and moving on to success after not receiving an offer of employment
- How to broach lifestyle questions such as flex time, pregnancy, or other personal matters with the employer
- How to get placed in the best practice group for your professional goals
- How to learn from any constructive feedback received this past summer

- How to deal with any awkward or discriminatory behavior you may have observed or experienced

In short, anything about your summer experience! We'd love to help you work through what you learned, incorporate the lessons into your future successes, and find positive ways deal with any career-related questions you might have.

We're also here to help you celebrate the good stuff! Please stop by to share your joys and satisfactions as well as your concerns.

FEATURED CITY OF THE WEEK

By expanding your job search and being flexible geographically, you can increase your job opportunities!

Consider Oakland, CA!

Location: Oakland is situated in the center of the San Francisco Bay Area.

Fun Facts: Oakland is consistently ranked among the top 25 cities in which to live by *Money* magazine and other publications. It is home to the 4th busiest container port in the United States, and has its own international airport.

Weather: The Mediterranean climate in Oakland is rated the best in the United States. In fact, Oakland has the same number of sunny days as Orange County, California.

Culture: Home to a national touring ballet company, Oakland is a highly praised cultural center. Its diverse population adds to the vibrancy of the city. In addition, Oakland's Museum of California contains the state's largest collection of art, culture and history of the state of California.

Recreation: Oakland's large number of parks, open space, waterfronts, and two lakes allow for a wide range of activities its residents may partake in. Some recreational activities include swimming, fishing, hiking, mountain biking, or just plain relaxing at one of its beautiful parks!

For the Sports Fan: Oakland is home to three professional sports teams. They include the Oakland Athletics, the Golden State Warriors, and the Oakland Raiders.

Business: Oakland is part of the fifth largest regional economy in the United States. The area's top major business industries include 1) business services 2) health care services and 3) transportation.

Cost of Living: The lifestyle you can afford with \$100,000 in San Francisco requires \$68,909 (if you plan to buy a house) and \$71,768 (if you plan to rent) in Oakland.

For more information on Oakland, visit the city's official website at www.oaklandnet.com.

To apply for jobs in Oakland, click the School Jobs Listings section on **LawCareer** for employers interviewing off-campus, contact employers directly, and network with alumni in the greater Oakland area by [requesting a list from College Relations](#).



JOBS! JOBS! JOBS!

Everyday, the Career Services Office receives new listings for both **part-time**, and **summer positions**. **Post-JD** positions, including **judicial clerkships**, are also available. Log Onto **LawCareer** and click on the **School Job Postings** often to check for new postings.

Just a few highlights from LawCareer:

RESUME COLLECTIONS

Wilmer Cutler Pickering Hale & Dorr LLP - (Listing No. 95319)

Washington, D.C.

Apply to this recently merged, private practice firm.

Years Requested: 2L, 3L

Materials Requested: Cover Letter, Resume, Transcript.

Deadline: Sept. 17, 2004 – 3:00 p.m. at CSO

SUMMER POSITIONS

Blakely Sokoloff Taylor & Zafman LLP - (Listing No. 96694)

Sunnyvale, CA

This firm has offices in Colorado, Oregon and Washington state as well, and is seeking applicants with undergraduate technical degrees.

Years Requested: 2L, 3L

Materials Requested: Cover Letter, Resume, Transcript, Writing Sample, References.

Deadline: Sept. 17, 2004

Leydig Voit & Mayer, LTD (Listing No. 96656)

Chicago, IL

This firm seeks applicants with engineering degrees. There are additional offices in Washington, D.C., Rockford, IL, and Seattle, WA.

Years Requested: 2L, 3L

Materials Requested: Cover Letter, Resume.

Deadline: Sept. 17, 2004.

Boutin Dentino (Listing No. 96652)

Sacramento, CA

If you desire to live and practice in Sacramento, apply to this Tax and Commercial Real Estate Litigation firm.

Years Requested: 2L.

Materials Requested: Cover Letter, Resume.

Deadline: Sept. 17, 2004

GRADUATING STUDENTS

Fisher & Phillips LLP (Listing No. 96661)

Atlanta GA

This Employment and Labor relations firm with offices in Irvine, Oakland and San Diego, CA seeks 3Ls interested in representing management.

Years Requested: 3L

Materials Requested: Cover Letter, Resume.

Deadline: Sept. 17, 2004

U.S. Senate, Office of the Legislative Counsel

(Listing No. 96853)

Washington, D.C.

This Office offers an exciting opportunity to assist Senate Committees in drafting legislation.

Years Requested: 3L

Materials Requested: Cover Letter, Resume, Transcript, Writing Sample (up to 10 pages).

Deadline: Sept. 17, 2004



THIS WEEK'S EVENTS

Thursday, September 16

Equal Justice Works Fellowship Applications due in Washington, D.C.

Friday, September 17

OCI begins today and continues through October 8th in the Gold Room.

DOJ Applications due today (online submissions only), applications are at www.usdoj.gov/oarm