Ready for 2024!

As you’re reading this, we hope you are feeling energized from the holiday celebrations, especially the bringing in of a new year. We have a lot of exciting opportunities ahead, of which we encourage you to take advantage.

If you are in the 1L class, you have received information regarding the Colorado Pledge to Diversity. The application deadline has been moved to midnight on January 17th. Please also pay close attention to all Spring On-Campus Interview (OCI) posting announcements. Per ABA regulations, you were not allowed to participate in Fall OCI, but employers are invited to recruit to your class during the Spring OCI month of February.

The UW College of Law Clinics will be hiring soon! Look for those positions to be posted in POKES. Selected students will need to have their FAFSA completed, including selecting yes on the work study question on the form.

The CU/DU Government and Public Interest Career Fair is scheduled for February 15th from 4:00-6:00 pm, with the application deadline set for February 5th. More details will be released soon!

Please take note of the quickly approaching Spring OCI deadlines provided in this newsletter, and the Events area on the last page for required RSVPs.
Career Highlight

Transactional Law

Transactional law pertains to the legal transactions and communication essential in conducting business. Examples include commercial, healthcare, financial services, mergers and acquisitions, and real estate law. Each of the practice areas require excellent reading and writing abilities, negotiation skills, cultural competence, and solid comprehension of the fundamentals of contract law. Transactional attorneys must also understand the laws and regulations specific to their chosen practice area (i.e. data privacy in healthcare law).

One of the ways to enhance these skills and abilities while in law school is through participation in the Estate Planning Practicum (EPP).

The EPP’s transactional practice primarily focuses on Estate Planning and Estate Administration. The EPP provides law students an excellent opportunity to gain real and practical transactional experience in this field of law. The planning side of this practice primarily focuses on simple wills, advance health care directives, durable powers of attorney, as well as using other probate avoidance techniques, including, but not limited to, transfer on death deeds, beneficiary designations, payable on death designations, and transfer upon death designations. The administration side of the practice primarily focuses on summary procedures for estate administration available for qualifying estates in the State of Wyoming.

In addition to the summary procedures available to qualifying clients in the State of Wyoming, the EPP has recently begun to offer full probate and estate administration services to qualifying estates. These full estate administration services have significantly increased the workload borne by the students as well as exposing them to the complex nature of estate administration that encompasses a multitude of legal areas well beyond “estate law”. Recently, students worked alongside the Faculty Director, Mario Rampulla, to manage the administration of these estates, with one being completed in 2022, and the other ongoing administrations are expected to be completed in 2024.

In addition to ongoing projects, the EPP has expanded by adding a 2L Legal Assistant to their staff, recognizing the importance of providing practical opportunities for students in their second year of law school. This addition not only enriches the educational experience but also mirrors the collaborative and team-oriented nature of transactional law practice.

The transactional law landscape requires professionals to possess a keen understanding of contracts, negotiations, and legal intricacies involved in legal dealings. By engaging in programs like the Estate Planning Practicum, students not only gain theoretical knowledge but also develop practical skills that are essential in advising clients. Aspiring transactional lawyers benefit from exposure to real-world scenarios and the chance to work alongside experienced practitioners, making them well-equipped to navigate the complexities of transactional law upon entering the legal profession.

Special thanks to Carly Mansker and the EPP for providing this content.
Spring 2024 OCI

All Students

State of Utah Public Lands Policy Coordinating Office  Salt Lake City, UT
Interviews 2/7 - Public Lands Summer Law Clerk - Apply by 1/24

1L Positions

Hirst Applegate, LLP  Cheyenne, WY
Interviews 2/5 - Summer Associate - Apply by 1/22

Gunderson Palmer Nelson & Ashmore, LLP  Rapid City, SD
Interviews 2/15 - Summer Internship - Apply by 2/1

1L & 2L Positions

Hoskin, Farina & Kampf, PC  Grand Junction, CO
Interviews 2/5 - 2024 Summer Clerk - Apply by 1/22

Sublette County Attorney’s Office  Pinedale, WY
Interviews 2/5 - Summer Intern or Extern - Apply by 1/22

Cline Williams  Fort Collins, CO
Interviews 2/7 - Summer Associate - Apply by 1/24

Costello Porter Law Firm  Rapid City, SD
Interviews 2/16 - Summer Law Clerk - Apply by 2/4

Social Security Administration, Office of the General Counsel  Remote
Interviews 2/19 - Summer Intern (Unpaid/Extern) - Apply by 2/5
2L Positions

Colorado Public Defender  Various Locations
Interviews 2/16 - Summer Intern (Unpaid/Extern) - Apply by 2/4

2L & 3L Positions

Woodhouse Roden Ames & Brennan, LLC  Cheyenne, WY
Interviews 2/5 - Summer Law Clerk/Associate - Apply by 1/22

3L Positions

Prehoda, Edwards & Rampulla, LLC  Laramie, WY
Interviews 2/5 - Associate Attorney - Apply by 1/22

Weld County District Attorney’s Office  Greeley, CO
Interviews 2/5 - Deputy District Attorney - Apply by 1/22

Brown and Hiser, LLC  Laramie, WY
Interviews 2/6 - Associate Attorney - Apply by 1/23

Halloran Farkas + Kittila, LLP  Jackson, WY / Wilmington, DE
Interviews 2/6 - Associate Attorney - Apply by 1/23

Tynsky Law Office, P.C.  Green River, WY
Interviews 2/6 - Attorney - Apply by 1/23

White and Steele, P.C.  Denver, CO
Interviews 2/6 - Associate Attorney - Apply by 1/23

Hirst Applegate, LLP  Cheyenne, WY
Interviews 2/7 - Associate Attorney - Apply by 1/24
3L Positions Continued

Kirven Law, LLC  Sheridan, WY
Interviews 2/7 - Associate Attorney - Apply by 1/24

Sweetwater County Attorney’s Office  Green River, WY
Interviews 2/7 - Deputy County Attorney - Apply by 1/24

Jackson Hole Trust Company  Jackson, WY
Interviews 2/15 - Associate General Counsel - Apply by 2/1

Colorado Public Defender  Various Locations
Interviews 2/16 - Deputy Public Defender - Apply by 2/4

Costello Porter Law Firm  Rapid City, SD
Interviews 2/16 - Associate Attorney - Apply by 2/4

State of Montana, Office of Public Defender  Various Locations
Interviews 2/20 - Public Defender / Attorney - Apply by 2/6
Recent Job Postings
(For a complete list of job openings, visit POKES)

All Students:
Mendes Hershman Writing Contest - ABA Business Law Section
Apply by 2/9/24
Research and Writing Competition - NRA Civil Rights Defense Fund
Apply by 3/1/24
US Navy Judge Advocate, Student Program
Apply by 3/1/24

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Summer Clerkship - BBG Construction Law - Denver, CO
Interns/Externs - 17th Judicial District DA’s Office - Broomfield, CO
Intern/Extern/Student Practice Act - Colo. Alternate Def. Counsel
Summer Intern - Colorado Legal Svcs Migrant Farmworker Division
Apply by 4/30/24

1Ls:
Diversity Scholarship and Summer Clerkship - Zelle LLP
Apply by 1/8/24
Summer Internship - Army JAG Corps
Apply by 1/13/24
Summer Externship - US Air Force JAG
Apply by 1/31/24

ROCKY MOUNTAIN REGION
Summer Associate - Colorado Pledge to Diversity
Apply by midnight on 1/17/24
Summer Associate Program - BakerHostetler - Denver, CO
Apply by 1/31/24
Summer Intern/Extern - 4th Judicial DA’s Office - Colo. Springs, CO
Apply by 3/1/24

1Ls & 2Ls:
Judicial Intern - American Bar Associate’s Litigation Section
Apply by 1/12/24
Summer Extern - Just the Beginning, A Pipeline Organization
Apply by 1/14/24

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1Ls & 2Ls Continued:

Summer Associate - US Army
Apply by 1/31/24

Summer Extern - Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency
Apply by 2/8/24

Diversity Scholarship Program - US Law Network
Apply by 3/1/24

ROCKY MOUNTAIN REGION

Summer Externship - US Dept. of Justice - Denver, CO or hybrid
Apply by 1/5/24

Summer Externship - USAO District of Montana
Apply by 1/5/24

Summer Clerkship - US Attorney’s Office, District of Montana
Apply by 1/31/24

Greater CO Law Student Exp. - CO Access to Justice Commission
Apply by 2/16/24

2Ls:

ROCKY MOUNTAIN REGION

Summer Externship - US Dept. of Agriculture
Apply by 1/31/24

Judicial Clerk, Judge Phillips - US Court of Appeals - Cheyenne, WY
Apply by 11/21/24 (encouraged to apply ASAP)

OUTSIDE THE REGION

Summer Associate - Big Fire Law & Policy Group, LLP - Omaha, NE
Apply by 1/31/24

Judicial Clerk, Judge Parrish - US District Court - Salt Lake City, UT
Apply by 6/28/24 (encouraged to apply ASAP)

3Ls:

Judge Advocate - Army JAG
Apply by 3/31/24

Judge Advocate - US Coast Guard
Apply by 2/12/24

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3Ls Continued:

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Judicial Clerk, Judge Castano - Sixth District - Gillette/partially remote

Associate Attorney - Stelting & Gross, LLC - Jackson, WY

Asst. AG, Water & Natural Res. - WY AG’s Office - Cheyenne, WY

Attorney - Wyoming Public Defender’s Office - Gillette, WY

Trust Officer - Dunham Trust - Laramie, WY

Deputy DA - 17th Judicial District DA’s Office - Broomfield, CO

Law Clerk, Criminal Bench - CO Judicial Branch - Greeley, CO

Apply by 1/15/24

Deputy District Attorney - Larimer County - Fort Collins, CO

Apply by 1/18/24

Attorney - Richard Gage, PC - Cheyenne, WY

Apply by 2/1/24

Associate Corporate Attorney - CoBank - Greenwood Village, CO

Apply by 2/9/24

**OUTSIDE THE REGION**

Attorney - Parsons, Loveland, Shirley & Lindstrom, LLP - Burley, ID

Law Clerks, 3rd District - Alaska Court System - Anchorage, AK

Staff Attorney/Admin Law Judge - State of South Dakota

ENR Law Fellowship - George Washington Univ. - Washington, DC

Deputy State’s Attorney - Minnehaha County - Sioux Falls, SD

Apply by 1/5/24

Attorneys (multiple openings) - Alaska Department of Law

Apply by 1/16/24

Attorney - Stange Law Firm, PC - Wichita, KS

Apply by 1/20/24

Deputy Public Defender - Elko County PD’s Office - Elko, NV

Apply by 1/26/24

Judicial Clerkship - Arizona Court of Appeals, Div. One - Phoenix, AZ

Apply by 2/16/24 (encouraged to apply ASAP)

**Be sure to check out the AccessLex Scholarship Databank!**

Upcoming Events

⇒ Lunch & Learn - US Marine Corps JAG
1/17 - 12:30pm - Rm 182

⇒ 1L Paul D. White Cocktail Event at BakerHostetler
RSVP Required!
1/17 - 5:00pm - Denver, CO

⇒ Husch Blackwell 1L Open House - RSVP by 1/17
1/24 - 5:00pm - Denver, CO

⇒ CU/DU Government Public Interest Career Fair Expo
2/15 - 4:00pm - Denver, CO

⇒ Federal Clerkship Panel
2/29 - 4:30pm - Rm 182

⇒ Day In The Life Of A District Attorney - RSVP ASAP
3/1 - 8:30am - Colorado

⇒ 3L Mandatory Exit Counseling - March 4-8
Sign Up Through POKES Appointments Tab

⇒ 2L Info Session: Money & Your Career - Legal Salaries, Taxes & Benefits
3/7 - 12:30pm - Rm 178

⇒ Lunch & Learn - JD/MBA Joint Degree Info Session
3/21 - 12:30pm - Rm 178

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