UPCOMING DEADLINES & EVENTS:

Tuesday-Wednesday, January 30-31, 2007
Alumni Mock Interview Program for 1Ls

Wednesday, January 31, 2007
Spring OCI interview schedules available on Symplicity at 5:00pm

Wednesday, January 31, 2007
Last day for PICD interview cancellations by 1:00pm

Saturday, February 3, 2007
Public Interest Career Day
UCLA
9:00am-5:00pm

Wednesday, February 7, 2007
Zen and the Art of the 1L Job Search
Room 7
12:30pm-1:10pm

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UPCOMING CSO WORKSHOPS

Zen and the Art of the 1L Job Search
Wednesday, February 7, 2007
12:30-1:10pm
Room 7
Pizza will be served!

The CSO counselors will be providing perspective on previous 1L job search experiences, offering suggestions to help alleviate the stress associated with the job search, as well as answering any questions. Be sure to come by to get some great insight on the 1L Job Search experience!

EMPLOYER RECEPTIONS

Tuesday, February 06, 2007
Hogan & Hartson 1L Margarita Mixer Reception
5:00 pm - 6:30 pm
Pub at the University Club

Please see the Career Services Webpage for more information and invitations.
22ND ANNUAL SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA PUBLIC INTEREST CAREER DAY
Saturday, February 3, 2007
UCLA School of Law
8:30am-3:00pm

Representatives from more than 115 public interest organizations, public sector agencies and private firms and students from Southern California law schools will be at UCLA for a day dedicated to the celebration of public service.

The day’s activities will include informal lunchtime discussions, table-talk, and a panel in the afternoon. This will be a great opportunity to meet with public service representatives and get valuable information about the field as well as specific organizations. Be sure to get there early to participate in the activities.

PUBLIC INTEREST FELLOWSHIP FOR USC LAW 3LS AND RECENT GRADS

PILF would like to remind the 3L class and recent graduates about a great opportunity in Public Interest Law available only to USC students and recent graduates.

The Irmas Fellowship supports a USC Law School graduate for a full year in the area of public interest law. This Fellowship is sponsored by the Public Interest Law Foundation, whose mission is to provide legal services to poor, underrepresented or disenfranchised groups and individuals in society. The Fellowship is dedicated to Sydney and Audrey Irmas, who have provided crucial support to the Public Interest Law Foundation and public interest law through an array of activities.

The duration of the Fellowship is one year, beginning in the Summer or Fall of 2007. The amount of the Fellowship is $40,000. PILF will provide the entire $40,000, while the sponsoring agency is expected to provide benefits and malpractice insurance. The sponsoring agency should be a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization, which provides public interest legal services. PILF is particularly interested in placing Fellows in new agencies or new programs at existing agencies.

Applicants will be evaluated based on the project’s effectiveness in providing legal services to poor, underrepresented or disenfranchised groups or individuals; and the applicant’s demonstrated commitment to a career in public interest law.
The application deadline is 5 PM, Friday, March 9, 2007. We will schedule interviews for late March and all applicants will be notified by early April.

Applications are available in the Career Services Office.

If you have any questions, please contact Lindsay Toczylowski toczylow@usc.edu.

HUD LEGAL HONORS PROGRAM

The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Office of General Counsel is accepting applications for its Legal Honors Intern Program. This program is the Office of General Counsel’s primary means of entry-level hiring. Lawyers in the Office of General Counsel provide advice on legal issues related to programs promoting affordable housing, strengthening of communities, fair housing, and home ownership. Applications must be postmarked no later than February 28, 2007. For more information and the application, see www.hud.gov/office/ogc.

SUMMER GRANTS FOR PUBLIC INTEREST WORK

There are several opportunities for summer funding for public interest work. The applications for these grants are available in the CSO. If you have any questions, please contact Priya Sridharan at psridhar@law.usc.edu

Howrey HELPS
Howrey LLP offers a grant for first-year USC Law students interested in a career in public interest law. Howrey Externs for Legal Pro bono Services (HELPS) provides $5000 to a first-year student to work full-time (at least 10 weeks) during the summer of 2007 in a public interest job. Howrey seeks a student with a strong background and demonstrated interest in public service. Students may still apply for the grant before they have a confirmed summer position at a public interest organization. DEADLINE: MARCH 1, 2007

Adam Freeman Scott Memorial Grant
The Adam Freeman Scott Memorial Grant is a permanently endowed grant through USC Law School. It provides a summer stipend of $7,500 to one USC Law student working full time in public service during the summer of 2007. The grant honors graduate Adam Freeman Scott who died tragically in 1993 at the age of 27. It is intended to encourage students who, like Adam, are dedicated to public service and helping the disenfranchised. It is
awarded on the basis of a written application and an interview by the selection committee. **DEADLINE: MARCH 16, 2007**

**Trope & Trope/Harriet Buhai Family Law Summer Fellowship**
This summer public interest grant of $6500, made possible by a donation from the prestigious family law firm of Trope & Trope, is given to a student who works full time for ten weeks at the Harriet Buhai Center for Family Law. The Center is a public interest non-profit organization dedicated to providing high quality family law assistance to low-income persons in Los Angeles County. There is a paper application, followed by an interview process. **DEADLINE: APRIL 2, 2007**

**Public Interest Law Foundation (PILF) Grants**
The Public Interest Law Foundation awards and administers approximately 25 summer work grant opportunities. These grants provide financial support to USC Law students working in Public Interest Law. Although some specific grants are aimed to support discreet populations of the USC Law community, all PILF grants are designed to support and foster the commitment of USC law students and alumni to the practice of Public Interest Law. Eligibility requirements for grant assistance and grant selection criteria vary depending on the type of grant in question, however all PILF grants require applicants to complete a minimum of 15 pro bono hours and participate in fundraising activities, including the PILF auction. Applications are available on the PILF website. All applications must also include a letter from the supervising attorney of the sponsoring organization. **DEADLINE: APRIL 11, 2007**

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**FELLOWSHIP OPPORTUNITY FOR 3L’S**
The Orfalea Family Foundation (Orfalea) and the William J. Clinton Foundation (Clinton Foundation), in partnership with the University of Southern California (USC), have created the Clinton-Orfalea Fellowship Program. The one-year post-graduate fellowships will enable recent graduates of USC’s Gould School of Law, Marshall School of Business and the School of Policy, Planning and Development to work for one year with the Clinton Foundation, pursuing the organization’s global and domestic initiatives.

The Clinton-Orfalea Fellowship Program builds on USC’s tradition of service in the public interest and provides a distinct and exciting opportunity for graduating students and recent graduates to work with the Clinton Foundation to strengthen the capacity of people throughout the world to meet the challenges of global interdependence.
Applications are available online under the Public Service section of the Career Services Office website at http://law.usc.edu/career/students/public.cfm and in the Career Services Office, Room 110. Applications are due no later than **5:00 p.m. on Friday, February 16, 2007**. They can be handed in to the Career Services Office in Room 110 or emailed as a Word Document to Priya Sridharan at psridhar@law.usc.edu.

### Resume Verification Update Policy

Starting this year, the CSO is asking all students to review the Resume Verification Policy before uploading a resume onto Symplicity. Please note students are no longer required to submit a signed Resume Verification Form along with two copies of their resume. By uploading resumes, students declare that they have carefully reviewed and understand all Law School policies regarding resumes. They also declare that all information provided on their resume is true and accurate and complies with all Law School requirements. The detailed policy can be found in the Resume section of *The Guide: From 1Ls to Lawyers*. An abbreviated version of the policy is also listed on the document upload page in Symplicity. Please contact the CSO if you have any questions.

### Updated CSO Drop-in Hours

Please note that the CSO counselors have adjusted their drop-in hours for the new Spring semester. The new drop-in hours schedule is as follow:

- Monday 9:00-10:00am
- Tuesday 2:30-3:30pm
- Wednesday 2:30-3:30pm
- Thursday 2:30-3:30pm
- Friday 9:00-10:00am

### Featured Resource of the Month

*Serving the Public: A Job Search Guide Volumes I & II*

Available in the CSO Resource Room, this unique guide has become the leading national resource for both law schools in the public service advising field. The book provides invaluable guidance and detailed current job information for law school students interested in pursuing public interest or government work. The Public Interest Employers Directory in Chapter 7 contains over 2,500 detailed listings of public interest and public sector employers. It includes hundreds of job openings for 2007, along with hiring contact addresses, phone numbers, and organization descriptions. The employer listings have been organized both by areas of specialization and by
geographic location. The Job Search Guide also contains in-depth public service job search advice, exploring the diverse types of public interest advocacy. It offers specific strategies on the job search from developing a visually powerful resume to writing sophisticated cover letters to establishing networks within the public service community. Volume I will focus on opportunities within the United States. Volume II covers the public international job search. Be sure to pick up your copy today!

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