

CAREER NEWS



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Career Development Office

About Us: Our office is here to counsel students when defining their career path, educate students on diverse legal career options, collaborate with student groups to present relevant programming, provide helpful resources, and connect with legal employers and alumni.

Our Staff: [Check out our website](#) to see a full list of team members and learn about our roles. You can also stop by our offices, located at 128 Hughes Hall, to say hello in person.

Meet with Us: You can reach us at 607-255-5873, or cls-careers@cornell.edu Monday – Thursday 8:00AM – 4:30PM and Friday 8:00AM – 4:00PM. We are available for in-person, phone and Zoom appointments through the [Bookings Page](#).

JDs:

Summer 2026 Paid Internship Opportunity: The Tenants Advocacy Program is excited to announce a full-time, eight-week summer internship for J.D. students interested in housing justice and eviction defense. Click [here](#) for more information. Please email a short statement of interest and your resume to tenantsadvocacy@cornell.edu by January 31st, 2026.

Summer Associate Hub Virtual IP Interview Program: Friday, January 30, 2026. Register [here](#). The Summer Associate Hub Virtual IP Interview Program is a one-day virtual interview program that gives 1Ls the opportunity to apply, interview, and network with firms specifically hiring for their patent law practices. This program is open to current 1Ls (Class of 2028) with a technical degree interested in practicing patent law and seeking summer associate openings for 1L Summer in 2026 and/or 2L Summer in 2027. The IP Virtual Interview Program is **free** for students. Registration is open on a rolling basis and confirmation details will follow.

Virtual Panel “What a Clerkship Really Teaches You: Perspectives from Practitioners”: We look forward to seeing you at the virtual panel on **Thursday, January 29, 12:10-1:10 pm; G65 MTH**. RSVP by January 28, for fantastic food: <https://support.law.cornell.edu/rsvp/?id=140>

Virtual Info Session with Navy JAG: Tuesday, February 3rd at 12PM hear from LTJG Sylvester to learn more about the Navy JAG Corps and this unique career path and how you can apply to join the ranks.

PILC Fair: The PILC Fair will be held virtually on February 5 & 6, 2026. Information and registration are available at [2026 Public Interest Legal Career Fair | NYU School of Law](#). The fair provides a forum for employers and students to connect for internships and permanent positions. This year, 269 organizations will participate. This is a fantastic opportunity for all students regardless of class year.

Table Talk registration begins at 9:00 am on Monday, February 2. If you require any accommodations to

participate in the Fair, please reach out to <mailto:law.pilcfair@nyu.edu>, and they will be happy to assist.

1Ls:

2L Virtual OCI - February 16th & 17th

We will host a two-day Virtual OCI program in February to provide employers an opportunity to connect with Cornell students who are still seeking at that point. The program will be conducted virtually through FloRecruit. **Student bidding and resume upload for this program closes THIS FRIDAY, January 23rd at NOON.** The virtual event will take place on Monday and Tuesday, February 16th and 17th. More information for students will be sent out closer to the event.

Recruitment Policies

For full and detailed information on the updated guidelines that apply to students and employers, head to our website [here](#).

Professionalism & Offers

As you navigate through the interviewing process and receive offers of employment, you may be looking for guidance on how to respond and next steps. Please do refer to our [Student Handbook](#) for details and helpful information. Also, don't hesitate to reach out to one of our team members or book an appointment with a counselor through [bookings](#) for more detailed guidance.

2Ls & 3Ls:

On Tuesday, January 20, at 8:00 a.m. EST, all 2Ls received **read-only access to OSCAR**, the Online System for Clerkship Application and Review. OSCAR is a tool which federal judges may use, if they wish, to publicize and/or accept clerkship applications.

The screening application for the **2027 Pro Bono Scholars program** is open, with a deadline of January 25, 2026. Second year students who are interested need to review the information on the externship website and submit their materials by that deadline. Those materials (letter of interest, transcript, resume, and list of Spring 2026 classes if not on your transcript) should be submitted in one PDF document. See <https://www.lawschool.cornell.edu/academics/experiential-learning/externships/> If you have any questions about the program, please contact Professor Bauman at drb78@cornell.edu

Upcoming Events

- [Washington State Office of the Attorney General Virtual Presentations](#) | Jan. 26 | 12-1PM & 4-5PM PST | Zoom | [Register](#)
- [Foley & Lardner 1L Reception](#) | Jan. 27 | 5-7PM ET | [RSVP](#)
- [Virtual Panel “What a Clerkship Really Teaches You”](#) | Jan. 29 | 12:10 – 1:10PM | G65 MTH | [RSVP](#)
- [Virtual Info Session with Navy JAG](#) | Feb. 3rd | 12M | Virtual
- [PILC Fair](#) | Feb. 5 & 6 | Virtually | [Register](#)

View more opportunities in [Symplicity](#), [PSJD.org](#), and the [Arizona Guide](#).

Contact our office for the Arizona Guide password.

Opportunities:

- [**1L Summer Fellowship**](#) | Southern Environmental Law Center | Chapel Hill, NC | 1Ls
- [**Summer 2026 Legal Internship**](#) | U.S. Coast Guard | Nationwide | 2Ls
- [**Summer Associate Program**](#) | Morris James LLP | Wilmington, DE | 1Ls & 2Ls
- [**2026 Spring Paid Program**](#) | Office of NYS Attorney General | Albany, NY | 2Ls & 3Ls
- [**2027 2L Summer Associate Program**](#) | Covington & Burling | NYC | 1Ls
- [**2L 2027 Summer Associate Program**](#) | Bryan Cave LLP | Irvine, CA | 1LS
- [**Summer 2026 Internship**](#) | Office of General Counsel House of Representatives | DC | 1Ls & 2Ls

View more detailed information and events in [Symplicity](#)



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