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Washington State Court of Appeals Judicial Clerkship: Apply for this excellent opportunity to clerk for the wonderful CLS Alumni Judge Diaz 2027-2029 term (2Ls/3Ls/LLMs). See attached for clerkships details.

NJ Courts Webinar: On April 15, at 12:30 pm, judges and law clerks will share their perspective on judicial clerkships and offer advice for law students and emerging legal professionals. To register, [click here](#).

Also, if you missed the NJ Courts previous webinar, watch the recording here: [Previous Webinar Recording](#).

Air Force JAG Office Hours: Lieutenant Colonel Sarabeth Moore will be on campus to talk with students interested in learning more about the Air Force JAG program. The office hours will be held Thursday, April 23rd | 10am-12pm | Drop In Office Hours | Room 134 just outside of the CDO Office Suite.

Stanford University Venture Fellowship: Provides a fully funded trip on-campus for one-week (dates TBA, sometime in May), where selected applicants get to be fully immersed in Silicon Valley's start-up culture, go to Stanford University, and gain a powerful network with top VC, tech, and Fortune 500 sponsors. Applications are not yet open, but interested students can learn more and get early bird notifications [here](#).

1Ls:

[1L Summer Success Workshop:](#) Monday April 13 *OR* Thursday, April 23 12:10-1:10 PM in MTH 182-Learn best practices for your summer position (Government, Public Interest, Private Sector or Judicial Internships). Whatever your summer position, this workshop will provide you with valuable tips to ensure a positive and productive experience.

For those of you seeking 1L or 2L summer jobs, we have several new positions on Symplicity for you to consider. Please note that some have very short application windows. Questions can be directed to cls-careers@cornell.edu.

1L Summer

Legal Aid Society of mid New York (Binghamton/hybrid/remote)

Hiring legal interns for summer 2026 - positions are flexible and can be in person, hybrid, or remote. If interested, email Michaela Azemi | Managing Attorney Pro Bono Services | Legal Aid Society of Mid New York | Michaela.azemi@lasmny.org for more information.

Justice Elizabeth S. Fortino, New York State Supreme Court (Judicial Intern, Utica, NY; closes April 15)
<https://law-cornell-csm.symplicity.com/students/app/jobs/detail/caf32bdbc5b6bec9b0865c9b47199ac2>

2L Summer

Brewer Attorneys & Counselors (NYC, Chicago, Philadelphia, Washington, DC)
<https://law-cornell-csm.symplicity.com/students/app/jobs/detail/e94aa6d2f8b818851313aa52f7309f66>

Woods Oviatt & Gilman (Rochester, NY; closes April 10)
<https://law-cornell-csm.symplicity.com/students/app/jobs/detail/f8e33ed20997e04cef85b4076d63861f>

Bond Schoeneck & King (Syracuse, Buffalo, Rochester, Melville; closes April 11)
<https://law-cornell-csm.symplicity.com/students/app/jobs/detail/8af08ddc3e749fb09ac6acbfe93ec373>

Coughlin & Gerhardt (Binghamton, NY; closes April 24)
<https://law-cornell-csm.symplicity.com/students/app/jobs/detail/62d6fcd177f1ff3f744c726b9b8df8a8>

Hinman, Howard & Kattell (Binghamton, NY) Applicants interested in long-term opportunities should submit a resume, transcript, and writing sample to [Gary Tyler](#).

Catalyst Fellowship Program (1L & 2L Summers) | Ballard Spahr | Baltimore, Denver, Philadelphia:
Two-summer program for law students with strong leadership potential. Fellows may spend both 1L and 2L summers as summer associates, participate in skills training and coaching, and receive mentorship from firm leaders. The program also includes an opportunity to work onsite with a firm client, gaining in-house experience.

1L & 2L Summer Reporting:

- If you have secured a *1L summer job*, [please fill out this survey](#) at your earliest convenience. Please only fill out the survey once.
- If you have secured a *2L summer job*, [please fill out this survey](#) to let us know the details about your position and the interview process with that employer.

Tracking this data is essential to helping other members of the class that are still seeking and the incoming class of 2029.

Curricular Practical Training (CPT)

International students who work off campus during the summer need to get a work permit. This is true whether the position is paid or volunteer. In order to preserve their 12-month Optional Practical Training (OPT) status to use after graduation, students use Curricular Practical Training (CPT) for temporary summer work. To qualify for CPT, the work must be directly related to major area of student and have a curricular requirement.

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employment is an intrinsic and required part of the Law School program. Students are registered for LAW 6730 – Multicultural Environments to fulfill the curricular component of the status. The course is a credit-bearing course for which students submit short journal entries over the summer. Please note that Canadian students need CPT, although post-grad OPT requirements do not apply to them.

The first step to receiving CPT is to complete an online application through [the Office of Global Learning](#). This guidance is quite detailed and provides step-by-step instructions and FAQs. The applicant should put “Law School Representative” on the CPT request so the Law School can ensure that the student is registered appropriately.

2Ls:

2L Clerkship Applications: OSCAR go Live is June 8, if you are planning to apply for clerkships with federal judges, prepare your application packet NOW! State judges are also hiring now, for 2027 and beyond.

Watch this useful video about preparing a clerkship application packet: <https://law-cornell.hosted.panopto.com/Panopto/Pages/Viewer.aspx?id=6bae57a1-9390-47a5-b41a-b42100d821d8>. If you have questions, contact Greta Jacobs.

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3Ls:

Required Post-Graduate Employment Survey: Career Services has opened the **required post-graduate employment survey** and ask that you fill it out with as much information as you are able as soon as you can. Please fill out the survey if you are employed or if you are still seeking. To find your Graduate Employment Survey, log on to Symplicity [here](#). Please be sure to provide a non-Cornell email address in case Career Services require further details from you after you graduate.

Cornell Law School's accreditation body, the American Bar Association, **requires** that we report the employment status of all our graduating students. Please know that all data is reported in the aggregate, and no identifying information will be provided. If you have not yet accepted an offer of post-graduate employment, need assistance or have any questions, please email the Career Development Office at cls-careers@cornell.edu.

3L Clerkship Application Packets: Do NOT leave campus until you have secured three letters of recommendation for clerkship applications. Alumni contact the Clerkships Office regretful that they did not prepare a clerkship application packet while still at the Law School. Watch this useful How To Video <https://law-cornell.hosted.panopto.com/Panopto/Pages/Viewer.aspx?id=6bae57a1-9390-47a5-b41a-b42100d821d8&and>, then make an appointment with Greta Jacobs, if you still have questions.

JD Bar Exam Memo: The Registrar's office created this memo to assist you with registering for the July New York Bar Exam. This memo outlines each step of the application process and includes key dates and relevant links, including resources for applying in other jurisdictions. Please note that the Registrar's Office provides this guidance as a courtesy; all specific questions regarding bar applications should be directed to the appropriate state Board of Bar Examiners. As you complete your registration, kindly take a moment to fill out this [bar survey](#), if you have not already done so. Your input will assist us in maintaining accurate records for your Bar Certification and complying with ABA bar exam data requirements for Cornell Law School's accreditation.

The Honors Attorney Program currently has two vacancies on USAJOBS that are open until April 10, 2026. Please check them out if you are still seeking!

- [Law Clerk](#) – Open to individuals who are not yet admitted to the bar upon joining the FDIC.
- [Attorney-Adviser](#) – Open to individuals who have passed the bar and have been admitted to the bar of the highest court of a state or the District of Columbia upon joining the FDIC.

LLMs:

[Corporate Legal Counsel](#) | GenScript/ProBio | Piscataway, NJ | Contract review, legal research, litigation management, corporate governance support, and coordination on immigration matters | JD or LLM with U.S. bar admission required.

Upcoming Events

- [Cornell Business Impact Symposium](#) | Fri. April 10th - Sat. April 11th | Statler Hall | [Register](#)
- [1L Summer Success Workshop](#) | Mon. April 13th | 12:10-1:10PM | MTH 182
- [NJ Courts Webinar](#) | On April 15, at 12:30 pm, judges and law clerks will share their perspective on judicial clerkships and offer advice for law students and emerging legal professionals | [RSVP](#)
- [New York County Supreme Court & Civil Court Law School Outreach](#) | April 16, 2026 | 5:00–7:30 PM | 111 Centre Street, New York, NY
- [Air Force JAG Office Hours On Campus](#) | Thurs. April 23rd | 10am-12pm | Drop In Office Hours | Room 134

Additional resources and opportunities in [Symblicity](#), [PSJD.org](#), and the [Arizona Guide](#).

Contact our office for the Arizona Guide password.

Selected Opportunities:

- **Washington State Court of Appeals Judicial Clerkship:** Clerk for the wonderful CLS Alumni Judge Diaz | 2027-2029 term | Applications open June 1, 2026 and should include a cover letter, resume, writing sample (≤12 pages), and three references, submitted to [Angela Ver Hoeve](#) | 2Ls, 3Ls, LLMS
- [2027 Summer Associate](#) | Brewer Attorneys & Counselors | 1Ls
- [Summer Law Clerk \(Unpaid\) 2026](#) | Chambers of Judge Fortino | New York State Supreme Court | Utica, NY | Apply by April 15, 2026 with a resume, cover letter, writing sample (5–10 pages), and transcript | 1L, 2Ls
- [Judicial Internship 2026–2027](#) | Chambers of Judge Sparkle L. Sooknanan | U.S. District Court (D.C.) | Remote (academic year) / In-person (summer) | Apply via email with cover letter, resume, transcript, writing sample, and references (single PDF) | 1Ls, 2Ls, 3Ls
- [Legal Intern-Summer Program 2026](#) | Temenos NYC | 1Ls/2Ls/LLMs
- [Summer Associate Program 2026](#) | Woods Oviatt Gilman LLP | Rochester, NY | 10-week program (June–August) with hands-on legal work, mentorship, and social events; apply via firm website
- [Summer 2026 Legal Intern](#) | Romano Law PLLC NYC | 2Ls
- [Summer Associate 2027](#) | Hilton Parker LLC Ohio | 1Ls
- [2L Summer Associate 2027](#) | Intellectual Property (IP) Practice Group | Steptoe | New York City
- [Civil Rights Fellowship](#) | Center for Equal Opportunity Washington, DC | 2Ls

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



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