Oregon Law Summer 2020 Litigation Lab

Through a generous grant received from AccessLex Institute, the Career Center is pleased to announce that we will sponsor 10 students to participate in our Summer 2020 Litigation Lab. Sponsorship includes a $2,000 stipend per student along with a hard and digital copy of the 10th edition of the Pretrial casebook.

What is the Litigation Lab?

This 10-week intensive, online litigation workshop series will be facilitated by the Honorable John V. Acosta, United States Magistrate Judge. This robust program is designed to teach students effective litigation skills that will make them better and more confident new lawyers. Those skills include working with colleagues and clients, investigating and developing cases, drafting and responding to pleadings, initiating and responding to discovery, interviewing and deposing witnesses, conducting motion practice, and writing and arguing motions.

What is the time commitment?

Successful candidates are expected to fully commit to and engage in the experience. They should treat it like a job. Students should count on working 15-20 hours/week. Students will be divided into plaintiff and defense firms and total engagement is necessary to ensure the success of the program. Students will have the chance to develop a meaningful professional relationship with a federal judge—a judge who can later serve as a reference to potential employers.
What is the schedule?

Participants will attend 7 online sessions over 10 weeks. All sessions begin promptly at 9:00 a.m. and, unless otherwise noted, will last 3 hours.

- **Tuesday, June 2**: Session 1
- **Tuesday, June 9**: Session 2
- **Sunday, June 14**: Plaintiff’s complaint due
- **Friday, June 19**: Defendant’s answer due
- **Tuesday, June 23**: Session 3
- **Monday, June 29**: Interrogatories and Requests for Production due
- **Monday, July 6**: Answers to Interrogatories and Requests for Production due
- **Tuesday, July 7**: Session 4
- **Friday, July 10**: Parties exchange names of witnesses for deposition; schedule times
- **Saturday, July 18**: Session 5: Depositions of witnesses (5 hours)
- **Tuesday, July 21**: Session 6
- **Monday, July 27**: Defendant’s motion for partial summary judgment due
- **Sunday, August 2**: Plaintiff’s opposition to motion for partial summary judgment due
- **Friday, August 7**: Session 7: Oral argument on partial summary judgment motions (4 hours)

How do I apply?

Enrollment in the Litigation Lab is limited to maximize each participant’s opportunity to learn. The Career Center will prioritize applicants whose summer plans and finances have been impacted by COVID-19.

To apply, please complete the [Litigation Lab Application Form](#), and email your resume and a statement of interest to our Career Center Manager Melissa Panter at lawcareer@uoregon.edu. The deadline to apply is **Wednesday, May 20, 2020 by 5:00 pm**.

Questions?

Please email Lorelei Craig at lcraig@uoregon.edu.