

TOURO LAW CENTER ALUMNI MENTORING PROGRAM

Student Guide

The Touro Law Center Alumni Mentoring Program is designed to assist law students in the transition from law school to successful law practice. The Program matches students and alumni as closely as possible, based upon practice area, employer type and geographical location preferences.

The volunteer alumni lawyers have offered to respond to general questions and give suggestions where appropriate about practical aspects of the practice of law and how to break into and succeed in particular practice areas. Your mentor can serve as a valuable resource of practical advice, professional contacts and support to aid and guide you as you make your way through law school. Please keep in mind, however, that this is not a recruiting or placement program and you shouldn't think of your mentor as a future employer or source for job leads. Obviously, a mentor may take it upon him or herself to assist you with your job search, but mentors have been advised that job placement is not one of their responsibilities as a mentor.

You have a responsibility to remain in contact with your mentor, and return telephone calls or emails in a timely fashion. During your first meeting, you and your mentor should agree on a schedule of contact and communication. Contact may include monthly meetings, an occasional lunch or dinner, accompanying your mentor to court and email and telephone communications. Please keep in mind that your mentor is a practicing attorney with a busy caseload. You and your mentor should abide by the rules which you and your mentor establish.



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Alumni Mentor Program





OFFICE OF
DEVELOPMENT,
ALUMNI RELATIONS AND
COMMUNICATIONS/
CAREER SERVICES OFFICE

Mentor Program Application

NAME: _____ ANTICIPATED GRADUATION YEAR: _____

ADDRESS: _____

TELEPHONE: _____ CELL: _____

EMAIL: _____

*PLEASE INDICATE YOUR PREFERENCES FOR A MENTOR.
STUDENT PREFERENCES ARE SUBJECT TO ALUMNI AVAILABILITY.*

SETTING

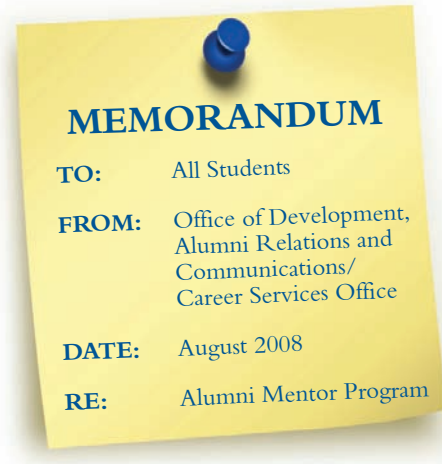
- Law Firm Government Corporation Public Interest

PRACTICE AREAS (List top 3 in order of preference)

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| — Civil | — Finance/Securities | — General Practice |
| — Labor/Employment | — Corporate | — Criminal Defense |
| — IP/Patent/TM | — Family | — Land Use/Zoning |
| — Real Estate | — Criminal Prosecution | — Municipal/Gov't/Admin. |
| — Elder Law | — Environmental | — Matrimonial |
| — PI/Insurance | — International | — Bankruptcy |
| — Commercial | — Trusts & Estates | — Other _____ |

GEOGRAPHICAL

- Suffolk Nassau NYC Other _____



MEMORANDUM

TO: All Students
FROM: Office of Development, Alumni Relations and Communications/ Career Services Office
DATE: August 2008
RE: Alumni Mentor Program

The Office of Development Alumni Relations and Communications and the Career Services Office have developed the *Alumni Mentor Program*, designed to pair students with alumni in practice areas and employment settings that are of interest to them.

The *Alumni Mentor Program* will begin this fall semester. During the academic year, students and mentors communicate via email, telephone and by occasional personal visits. Recommended activities include lunches, visits to offices or court to observe legal activities, bar association visits, etc. Through the program, students have the opportunity to get to know and learn from alumni who are successful in the work world, and alumni get to keep up with activities at the Law School and get to know some of our outstanding students. Please keep in mind that this is not a program designed to lead to post-graduate employment with an assigned mentor. Rather, a mentor-mentee relationship can lead to a invigorated job search, interesting job search tips from attorneys in the field, potential leads for employment and a general overview of how the job market works for a particular practice area.

To the left of this page is an application form to be completed if you are interested in participating in the *Alumni Mentor Program*. List your name, anticipated graduation year and contact information and select your preferences for employment setting, practice area and location. While we will try to match students as closely as possible to mentors, we may be limited to the availability of mentors in any particular practice area. Students will be assigned to an alumni mentor in order of preference to their graduating year, with 2009 graduates having first priority, then 2010, etc.

The deadline to submit your application is Monday September 15th by 6:00 p.m.

Applications should be submitted to the
Office of Development, Alumni Relations and Communications, (Room 404).
For further information, please contact:

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