



Pro Bono Opportunities for Law Students

Toledo Bar Association, Pro Bono Legal Services Program

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Pro Se Juvenile Court Clinic: This clinic runs every Thursday at the Juvenile Justice Center, 1801 Spielbusch, Toledo, OH. The clinic begins at 11:00 a.m. and ends when the last client leaves, usually around noon. Sometimes there are as few as 4 or 5 clients, and sometimes as many as 18-20. HRC Manor Care attorneys generally staff the clinic, but they are always glad to have assistance from law students.

Pro Se Family Law Clinic: This clinic runs every other Friday at the Family Court Center, 429 N. Michigan, Toledo, OH. The clinic begins at 1:15 p.m. and lasts until about 3:00 p.m. Students will assist Pro Se litigants to complete legal forms. Students will have an opportunity to tour the court after the clinic.

Pro Se Expungement Clinic: The clinic will provide assistance to those filing for an expungement of their record. This clinic runs the first Friday of every month at the Lucas County Law Library from 1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m. and the second Tuesday of each month at The Source downtown from 1:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.

Guardianship Clinic: This clinic which focuses on Guardianships within the Probate Court. Students will receive training and work on filling out Guardianship forms which will be supervised by an attorney. Students may have the opportunity to attend the guardianship hearing. This is scheduled on a periodic basis.

Pro Se Divorce for Individuals With Children: This new clinic will allow students to assist individuals complete the necessary documents to file for divorce in cases involving children. The clinic is currently scheduled on a periodic basis.

Advocates for Basic Legal Equality (ABLE) & Legal Aid of Western Ohio (LAWO)

Contact Kelly Tomlinson at 419.530.4996 or kelly.tomlinson@utoledo.edu for more information.

Advocates for Basic Legal Equality, Inc. (ABLE) and Legal Aid of Western Ohio, Inc. (LAWO) are non-profit regional law firms that provide high quality legal assistance in civil matters to help eligible low-income individuals over 32 counties in Western Ohio achieve self reliance, economic opportunity and equal justice.

Students who volunteer at Advocates for Basic Legal Equality, Inc. (ABLE) and Legal Aid of Western Ohio, Inc. (LAWO) receive quality legal work experience, which is very much relied upon by the firms. Such experience includes legal research and writing, client contact/interviewing, outreach, and court/hearing appearances for those with Intern Certificates.

We are happy to work with students to pair their interests, goals and experience levels to the right opportunities within either ABLE or LAWO. These opportunities provide both the proper foundation for those pursuing a public interest career and excellent legal work experience for those who are not.

Ao: Advocating Opportunity

Contact Megan Mattimoe at info@advocatingopportunity.com

The goal of Ao is to provide a trained legal advocate for every human trafficking victim. Ao strives to end human trafficking through education and advocacy both in public policy and directly on victims' behalf. Students will have the opportunity to assist with a variety of projects from working with community partners to legal research.

City of Toledo Department of Law

Contact Kelly Tomlinson at 419.530.4996 or kelly.tomlinson@utoledo.edu for more information.

The City of Toledo Department of Law has partnered with The University of Toledo College of Law to provide students an opportunity to earn pro bono service hours. Students interested in earning hours toward the Public Service Commendation award can now earn those hours while volunteering with the City of Toledo Law Department.

City of Toledo Prosecutor's Office

Contact Assistant Prosecutor, Joseph Howe at joseph.howe@toledo.oh.gov

The City of Toledo Prosecutor's Office offers many opportunities for students to earn pro bono service hours while working at the Toledo Municipal Court. If you are specifically interested in prosecution or criminal law, or just want legal experience, then this is a great opportunity.

Toledo City Council

Contact Paula Hicks-Hudson at paula.hicks-hudson@toledo.oh.gov

The Toledo City Council offers chances for students to earn pro bono service hours while learning about city governance and legislation. Students would work closely with council members and aides who are attorneys.

Toledo Fair Housing Center

Contact Diana Patton at dianapatton@toledofhc.org

The Toledo Fair Housing Center provides students with the chance to gain experience in providing education about and enforcing fair housing laws. Volunteers will work closely with the General Counsel of Toledo Fair Housing Center on projects. Examples include: Attorneys in Fair Housing, Mobility Program, Disability and Housing Project, Analysis of Impediments for the City of Toledo, HUD and Federal Court cases; Foreclosure Data Analysis, Investigative Projects, and Fair Housing Training.

Toledo Public Defender's Office

Contact James Neumeyer at neumeyer@buckeye-express.com

The Toledo Public Defender's Office offers an excellent opportunity for students to gain experience in criminal defense. Students work closely with the Public Defenders in their representation of indigent clients in cases at the Toledo Municipal Court.