Younger Lawyers Division

Each summer the Younger Lawyers Division sponsors the Summer Law Clerk Program. Throughout the month of July, law student interns have the opportunity to visit government agencies and participate in roundtable discussions.

This summer’s program included roundtables focusing on employment in the federal government, employment programs and practices at the Department of Justice (DOJ), and employment programs and selection requirements at the Department of Defense. At the employment roundtable, Hon. Andrew Effron, chief judge of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Armed Forces, and Dick Wiley of Wiley Rein LLP discussed their career paths and offered advice to students interested in working as an attorney in or with the federal government. Scott Flesch, a trial attorney at the U.S. Army Litigation Center, served as moderator of the roundtable.

At the Justice Department’s roundtable, representatives from several divisions within the department explained its employment programs as well as their experiences with selection and hiring decisions. The panel consisted of Emily Vacher, FBI; Peter Koski, Criminal Division, Public Integrity Section, DOJ; John Truong, U.S. Attorney’s Office for the District of Columbia; Melissa Lieberman, Office of Immigration Litigation, DOJ; and Joshua Brady, Civil Division, Intellectual Property Section, DOJ. The roundtable was moderated by Dawn Goodman, Civil Division, Commercial Litigation Branch, DOJ.

The Defense Department’s roundtable featured representatives from the legal recruiting offices of various armed services who explained their offices’ programs and selection requirements. The panel consisted of Capt. Hana Rollins, Recruiting Office, U.S. Army JAG Corps; Capt. Afsana Ahmed, chief of the Recruiting Branch, U.S. Air Force; Lt. Eric Lobsinger, U.S. Coast Guard; and Maj. Charles Miracle, U.S. Marine Corps. The moderator for the roundtable was Capt. Jeremy Steward, training officer at the U.S. Army’s Legal Services Agency.


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