



Legal Internship News

Spring Interns, New Programs, Summer Interns and Law Clerks

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Saying Good-bye to ICU Spring Interns

Complaint Counselors Rock!

With the onboarding of 8 Complaint Counselors, on January 16, 2018, we have enjoyed the passion, diligence, and enthusiasm the team brought to the ICU. As a team, their investigative skills were impeccable and resulted in the escalation of dozens of complaints to Legal for secondary review and/or legal intervention. Thank you team. You will be missed!

- Alexis Murphy (HSSU)
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- Chase Tragesser (SLU)
- Delaney Earley (Wash. U)
- Hannah Kirley (Wash. U)
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New Program Launch Education Development Section (EDU)

The Legal Department is embarking upon a new education initiative rooted in the delivery of legal workshops covering the law, public policy, career goals, general education, and other related subject matter. This effort is “designed for interns and by interns.”

The next three months (June–August 2018) will be dedicated to activities involving initiating, planning, and implementation of 50 workshops assigned across a remote team of 10 Workshop Coordinators (interns).

The Legal Seminar Series has a tentative launch date of September 2018.

New Program Launch Digital & Multimedia Evidence Section (DME)

The Digital & Multimedia section will provide Digital Multimedia Evidence (DME) examination activities involving the collection, cataloguing, and review of digital and multimedia evidence received via the Mobile Justice App and resulting from protest events.

The purpose of a DME examination is to analyze digital data for the purpose of identification, collection, and preservation of digital evidence in the event of legal action. Types of reviews will include digital evidence from computers, cell phones, tablets CD/DVDs, USB drives, and other digital data storage devices.

Summer interns Natalie Geismar and Mary Grace Gorman, both of Wash. U, have been assigned to the DME Section.



ANNUAL NEW INTERN ORIENTATION & TRAINING

For the second summer in a row, the Legal Department conducted annual New Intern Orientation and Training. This year’s training took place on Saturday, April 7, 2018 from 10:00 a.m. until 2:30 p.m. ACLU-MO Executive Director, Jeffrey Mittman, graced the group with introductory remarks covering the establishment of the ACLU’s first affiliate in the state of MO, overview of the typical case of interest to the ACLU, and the complexity of issues presented in the state of Missouri. Staff attorney Jessie Steffan covered matters of confidentiality specific to the handling of complaints within the Intake Complaint Unit. Legal has offered summer placements within the ICU, DME Section, and EDU Section to the following interns.

2018 SUMMER INTERNS

Intake Complaint Unit & DME (In-house Team)	Education Section (Remote Team)
Alena Johnson	Rebecca Bowman
Andrea Tam	Leanna Feng
Daniel Pang (Goldman Fellow)	Kyle Fry
Jessie Rich	Harrison Kratochvil
Jonathan Schmid	Grace Peacock
Jordan Phillips	John Pfeifer
Mary Grace Gorman	Maes Mourad
Natalie Geismar (Goldman Fellow)	Jasmine Trotter
Reginal Ivy	Catherine Wilkins
Sean Flynn	Katherine Yenzer

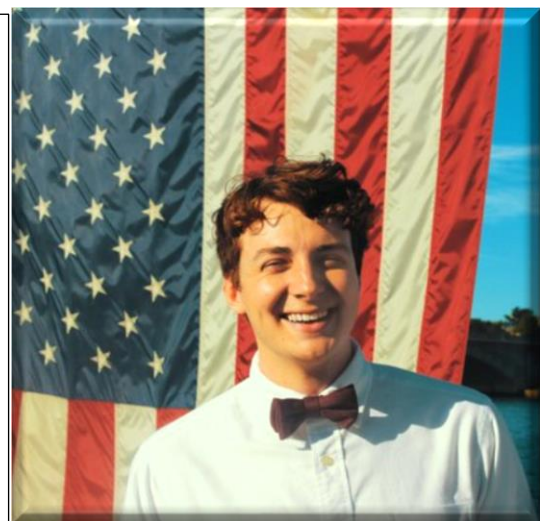
Summer Law Clerk. Trudy Wurm recently returned home to Saint Louis to attend Washington University School of Law in Saint Louis, Missouri. Trudy attended the Gallatin School at New York University for her undergraduate degree. Her study of political and feminist theory culminated in an honors thesis highlighting the failures of Title VII, primarily examining the inequality, injustice, and silence of sexual harassment litigation. Her professional and personal interest lies in giving strength to marginalized voices and communities primarily through law and electoral politics. From 2015–2016, Trudy worked at the national headquarters of Hillary for America, Secretary Clinton’s presidential campaign. In her spare time, Trudy enjoys drinking coffee and walking her Old English Sheep dog.



Summer Law Clerk. Isaac Smith is a joint degree student at the University of Cincinnati, set to graduate in May 2019 with a Juris Doctor and a Master of Arts in Political Science. Prior to working for the ACLU as an intern this summer, Isaac worked for the Foundation for Individual Rights in Education in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, and the Ohio Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers in Cincinnati, Ohio. When he’s not working to ensure civil rights and civil liberties are respected, Isaac is a fierce advocate for improved public transportation and is a member of the Better Bus Coalition, a Cincinnati-area grassroots advocacy organization working toward implementing better bus service in Greater Cincinnati.



Summer Law Clerk. Mark Wigley is a student at Georgetown Law who is interested in a career in public interest impact litigation. He spent last summer working for the Texas Civil Rights Project’s criminal justice reform office where he developed his passion and concern for working to fight racial and economic injustice. When he’s not on campus and in the library, Mark enjoys playing ultimate frisbee, basketball, and even a little quidditch.



Summer Law Clerk: **Dan Blair** is excited to start his clerkship with the ACLU. He was a middle school Social Studies and Science teacher for 8 years prior to enrolling at SLU Law. He is a music lover who sees 20+ concerts a year and plays a few instruments (though none of them all that well). He is also an avid reader and ranks Kurt Vonnegut, Charles Dickens, and Langston Hughes among his favorites. He is from the St. Louis area and plans on staying to practice Civil Rights and Public Interest law.



**Summer Law Clerk Undergraduate
Mentor/Mentee Assignment**

BLAIR	SMITH	WIGLEY	WURM
Maes Mourad	Jasmine Trotter	Harrison Kratochvil	Rebecca Bowman
Katherine Yenzer	Catherine Wilkins	Grace Peacock	Leanna Feng
		John Pfeifer	Kyle Fry

The summer law clerks will provide mentorship to the undergraduate interns serving as workshop coordinators assigned to the Legal Seminar Series. Activities will include research, speaker interviews, and content development.

A big "THANK YOU" to the 2018 Spring Semester Interns Delaney, Kelli, and Allie for Cross-training the New Cohort of Summer Complaint Counselors

Delaney Earley (Wash. U)



Kelli Weiss (SLU)



Allie Caccamo (Wash. U)



LEGAL FILES: Legal Director, Tony Rothert, provides U.S. Supreme Court update on the Bobby Bostic Case to interns at Weekly Review Team Meeting April 24, 2018



ICU interns last day is May 4th and Law Clerks last day is April 27th.

Thank you to each of you from the ACLU-MO!!

A Look Back at the First Day for Our Spring Interns – January 16, 2018

Welcome by Legal Director Tony Rothert.



Counterclockwise. Kelli Weiss, Hannah Kirley, Rachel Martin (Law Clerk), Alexis Murphy, Duncan Stewart (Guest speaker & former Summer 2017 intern), Reginald Ivy, Delaney Earley, and Chase Tragesser

UPCOMING WORKSHOPS – L.E.G.A.L. SEMINAR SERIES

Missouri's History of Civil Rights

8th Circuit Standards of Civil Rights Litigation

Periodic Update on Missouri Laws that Impact Civil Rights

Freedom of Speech and Digital Media

Student Activism

Civil Rights Resources Beyond the ACLU

Criminal Justice Reform

Insight into the Role of an Attorney

Women's Reproductive Rights and How They are Being Affected by the Current Health Care System

Applying to and Surviving Law School

Bobby Bostic Case

How to Work as an Advocate for Change

2nd Amendment and Guns in Schools

Stockley Protest

Updates on ACLU Cases

DACA

Data Harvesting, Technology & Privacy

Mandatory Minimums

Juvenile Sentencing

Legal Career Options

Civil Asset Forfeitures

STL Housing Policies: History of Redlining and Impact on the Present Housing Issues

What does the job of a lawyer entail?

Intersection of Law, Policy, and Advocacy

Overview of Missouri Court System (State/Federal)

ACLU Lobbying Process

UPCOMING WORKSHOPS – L.E.G.A.L. SEMINAR SERIES

Universal Healthcare and the Divide

Importance of Voting in Mid-term Elections (General Overview – Part A)

Importance of Voting in Mid-term Elections for Communities of Color (Part B)

Prison Litigation Reform Act (PLRA)

Jail and Prison Terminology & Organizational Structure of Jails and Prisons

Color of Law: What does it mean to have government action?

Institutional Health Care: Constitutional Standards (Part 1)

Institutional Health Care: Voluntary or Compulsory Statutes, Policies, Guidelines and Standards for Health in
Correctional Settings (Part 2)

The Constitutional and Policy Implications of Solitary Confinement

Brief Overview of the Immigration Court System

Excessive Force/Police Brutality

The Fourth Amendment

Race Discrimination

How the COB and IAD work in St. Louis

Interviewing Skills

Legally Required Disability Accommodations

Statutes of Limitations

The Justiciability Doctrine

Qualified Immunity in the 8th Circuit

ADA (Higher Education and K-12) Settings

Suspension and Expulsions (K-12)

Privacy, Data, and Surveillance

Legal Observers and Stockley

Public Policy Advocacy