



## Summer 2022 Educational Seminar Series & Events for PILI Interns and Fellows

One of the hallmarks of PILI's Internship and Fellowship Programs is the weekly Educational Seminar Series we provide. These seminars feature special guest speakers from the Illinois public interest law and pro bono community, and cover a range of substantive law topics related to public interest law, as well as career development issues and skill building strategies. All sessions will be offered virtually this summer. Please check the PILI website to register to attend each session or event.

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Wednesday, June 1, 2022

9:30 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

### **Intern & Fellow Orientation**

Kick-off your summer at PILI's Orientation! This full day of programming will provide you with a solid foundation to help you better serve your clients and the organizations where you work throughout the summer. You will also have a chance to meet other PILI Interns and Fellows as well as members of PILI's Alumni Network and Board of Directors.

Wednesday, June 8, 2022

12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m.

### **How to Be an Effective Advocate: A View from the Bench**

A panel of judges will share their expectations and suggestions for new attorneys to be effective advocates, and will discuss the role attorneys play in addressing the access to justice gap.

Tuesday, June 14, 2022

12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m.

### **Engaging with Your Community**

From advocating for specific issues to serving on young professional board, non-profit boards and bar associations, attorneys engage their community on various levels. Learn how to become more active in your community as well as important considerations when becoming more politically and socially active.

Wednesday, June 15, 2022

### **PILI Annual Pro Bono Reception**

PILI's Annual Pro Bono Reception celebrates the inspiring and life-changing pro bono work being done in Illinois through effective pro bono programs, innovative partnerships, and the unwavering dedication of individual attorneys and legal professionals.

Wednesday, June 22, 2022

12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m.

### **What's in a Name: Legal Name Changes in Illinois**

Changing names and documents is a sometimes difficult task for transgender and non-binary individuals. Learn how to assist transgender and gender non-conforming people to file petitions to legally change their names.

Thursday, June 30, 2022

12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.

**Public Interest Law Career Path**

This seminar features a panel of dedicated public interest law attorneys who will share their experiences in charting a career in public interest law. Panelists will include attorneys who have experience in legal aid and government, and with judicial clerkships and post-graduate fellowships.

Wednesday, July 6, 2022

12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.

**Serving with Excellence in Legal Aid: Understanding Implicit Bias**

This seminar addresses how we can become more aware of our own assumptions, behaviors and impact, especially when we are interacting with people whom we (consciously and unconsciously) see as different from us. Unpacking the concept of implicit and unconscious bias to understand the “mental shortcuts” that we take that impact how we work with and value others is critical to serving legal aid clients with excellence.

Tuesday, July 12, 2022

12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.

**PILI Wellness Check-in**

Even under the best circumstances, legal aid and pro bono work can be incredibly stressful, challenging and emotionally taxing, and may lead to secondary trauma. Join us for a fun, interactive, and accessible well-being check-in and education.

Wednesday, July 20, 2022

12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.

**Post-Grad Fellowships: From Pipe Dream to Project in Action**

Two agency supervisors and the fellows whose project they green-lighted give you a deeper dive into how to design and implement an Equal Justice Works or Skadden Fellowship, moderated by a law school career counselor.

Tuesday, July 26, 2022

12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.

**Evaluation Session: How Can We Make the Internship Experience Better? – PILI INTERNS ONLY**

Help make our program better by sharing your experiences and providing feedback on PILI’s Law Student Internship Program.

Wednesday, August 3, 2022

12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.

**Hot Topics in Legal Aid**

Public interest lawyers are often at the forefront of social justice issues. Hear from attorneys talking about emerging legal issues they are working on and how law students can get more involved.

Tuesday, August 9, 2022

12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.

**Incorporating Pro Bono into Your Career**

PILI Alumni working in the private sector will share insights and practical advice from their own experiences about how to make pro bono fit into a busy professional life.

Thursday, August 11, 2022

5:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

**PILI Alumni Reception: Welcoming the 2022 Class of Alumni**

**Location TBA**

Join us in celebrating your accomplishments this summer and your induction into the PILI Alumni Network. PILI's Alumni Network spans over 40 years and includes over 4,000 past Interns and Fellows. PILI's Alumni Reception celebrates the lifelong commitment to service demonstrated by the Alumni as well as the amazing accomplishments of the most recent class of Interns and Fellows. The class of 2022 Interns and Fellows are invited for free.