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**1. MESSAGE FROM ANA L. DROSCOSKI, ESQ.**

As this is the last day of classes for the Fall 2010 semester, this will be the final Pre-Law e-Newsletter of 2010.

Registration for Intersession 2011 opens on Tuesday, December 7th. "The Practice of Law" will be offered again this year and will meet in the afternoon, from January 10 to 21. The course is designed to familiarize students with the world of the law and legal practice options through the eyes of current and past practicing attorneys, several of whom are JHU alumni. Focus will be on the following legal specialties: Intellectual Property -- including Patent -- Law, Corporate Law, Criminal Law -- including Prosecutors and Public Defenders, Labor and Employment Law, Public Interest Law, Real Estate Transactions, Litigation, Civil Rights Law, and Entertainment Law. Hope to see you in class!

*For those taking the December 11th LSAT: Best of Luck!*

*To Everyone: Good luck on your final exams/completing your papers. Happy Holidays!*

**2. INTERNSHIP OPPORTUNITY: TURNER BROADCASTING SYSTEM, INC.**

Turner Broadcasting System, Inc. offers college juniors, seniors and graduate students an opportunity to learn from those in the entertainment, news and sports fields. They offer a number of internship opportunities in Atlanta and many other offices.

For more information, visit:

[http://www.turner.com/careers/college\\_students.html](http://www.turner.com/careers/college_students.html)

To search all Turner internships, visit:

[https://careers.timewarner.com/1033/asp/tg/cim\\_searchresults.asp?partnerid=391&siteID=36&Function=unquery&AgentID=7318628](https://careers.timewarner.com/1033/asp/tg/cim_searchresults.asp?partnerid=391&siteID=36&Function=unquery&AgentID=7318628)

**3. INTERIM YEAR(S) OPPORTUNITY: LAW FIRM PARALEGAL/LEGAL ASSISTANT PROGRAMS**

Many law firms offer formal paralegal/legal assistant programs for recent college graduates. Generally, the programs are for a two year term, include orientation/training, and assignment to a specific department. For those interested in these programs and working at a law firm upon graduation -- many of which are in DC or NYC -- be sure to take a look at the links listed below:

Arnold & Porter: [http://www.arnoldporter.com/careers\\_legal\\_support\\_services.cfm](http://www.arnoldporter.com/careers_legal_support_services.cfm)  
Clearly Gottlieb: <http://www.cgsh.com/careers/?recruitingID=2134>  
Covington: <http://www.cov.com/careers/washington/staff/paralegals/>  
Akin Gump: <http://www.akingump.com/careers/staff/>  
Cravath: <http://www.cravath.com/staff/legalassistants/>  
Davis Polk: <http://www.davispolk.com/careers/staff/>  
DeBevoise: <http://www.debevoise.com/legalassistants/>  
Dewey& LeBoeuf: <http://deweyleboeuf.com/en/Careers/UnitedStates/Paralegals.aspx>  
Hogan Lovells: [http://www.hoganlovells.com/careers/staff\\_paralegal.aspx](http://www.hoganlovells.com/careers/staff_paralegal.aspx)  
Holland & Knight LLP: <http://www.hklaw.com/id25/>  
Kirkland & Ellis LLP: <http://www.kirkland.com/sitecontent.cfm?contentID=283>  
Mintz, Levin: <http://mintz.com/careers.php>  
Morgan, Lewis: <http://www.morganlewis.com/index.cfm/nodelD/74DB57CE-AD61-4DFC-8B9C-B249F20A6EEC/fuseaction/content.page>  
Paul, Weiss: <http://www.paulweiss.com/careers/paralegal/>  
Shearman & Sterling LLP: <http://www.shearman.com/usla/firm/>  
Sidley Austin: <http://www.sidley.com/careers/northamerica/staff/>  
Simpson Thacher & Bartlett LLP: <http://www.stblaw.com/sitecontent.cfm?contentID=24&itemID=272>  
Skadden: <http://www.skadden.com/Index.cfm?contentID=26>  
Sullivan & Cromwell: <http://www.sullcrom.com/careers/assistants/overview/>  
White & Case LLP: <http://www.whitecase.com/careers/northamerica/legalassistants/careerpath/>  
Willkie: <http://www.willkie.com/recruiting/recruiting.aspx>

This is just a sampling of firms that hire recent graduates, so be sure to conduct additional research. Note that some of these firms may have offices in other cities. If you are interested in other cities, you can come up with a similar list by using the above firm's websites -- as well as thru researching additional firms in your preferred city on your own!

#### **4. INTERVIEW: DAVID P. SULLIVAN, VICE PRESIDENT AND ASSOCIATE GENERAL COUNSEL, OPERATIONS, TIME WARNER INC.**

David P. Sullivan is Vice President and Associate General Counsel of Operations at Time Warner Inc. in New York, N.Y. He joined Time Warner Inc. in 2007. As Vice President and Associate General Counsel of Operations, Mr. Sullivan provides legal counsel in gaining regulatory clearance from antitrust authorities in countries across the world for transactions that involve Time Warner's divisions. He oversees the operations of the Legal Department, including all issues involving finances, administration, records management and policies. He also participates in Time Warner's pro bono legal efforts which have included representation of clients seeking asylum and management of an ABA sponsored attorney team reporting on conditions at a detention center for asylum petitioners.

Prior to joining Time Warner Inc., from 2004 to 2007, Mr. Sullivan was an Associate at Wiley Rein LLP, in Washington, D.C., where he counseled telecommunications companies on corporate and transactional matters and represented government contractors in investigations and related litigation. From 2000 to 2004, Mr. Sullivan was an Associate at the D.C. office of Kirkland & Ellis LLP, where he represented clients in a variety of complex commercial litigation matters, including administrative law, contracts, products liability, antitrust, torts and class action defense.

Mr. Sullivan received his *Juris Doctor* from American University, Washington College of Law in 2000. While in law school, he served as Associate Managing Editor of the *American University Law Review* and participated in the Federal Tax Clinic as a Student Attorney. Mr. Sullivan was a Law Clerk at Kirkland & Ellis LLP from June 1998 to January 1999, and from December 1999 to May 2000. He also served as a Summer Law Clerk for an Administrative Law Judge at the Commodity Futures Trading Commission the summer of 1999.

Before entering law school, Mr. Sullivan spent 3 years as a paralegal. One year he worked for a solo practitioner in Philadelphia, and the following two years he worked for Kirkland & Ellis LLP in D.C.

Mr. Sullivan received his Bachelor of Arts in History, with an Economics minor, from the University of Pennsylvania in 1994. While there, he participated in Varsity Lightweight Football.

Mr. Sullivan is licensed to practice law in New York, Pennsylvania, Maryland and the District of Columbia.

**1) Describe a Day in the life of a Vice President and Associate General Counsel at Time Warner Inc.**

My job is two-fold. For the “legal” part, I help to secure regulatory clearance from antitrust authorities in countries across the world for transactions that involve one of Time Warner's divisions (Warner Bros., Turner Broadcasting System, Inc., HBO, or Time Inc.). I may have conference calls with lawyers from London to South America, I'll work with economists to prepare responses to inquiries from competition authorities, and I'll need to work closely with Time Warner's mergers & acquisitions group, all in an effort to draft responses to mandatory filings with regulators in multiple countries. This work also involves some business strategy. For the “non-legal” part of my job, I work closely with our general counsel to help him run our legal department. This work entails managing the day-to-day operations of the department, including issues involving finances, administration, records management, and policies. This work runs the gamut from organizing a CLE program with outside counsel, discussing employee performance results with our human resources department, reviewing the department's compensation structure, or simply being the person that people turn to for complaints about our selection of sodas in the pantry.

**2) What initially attracted you to this field? What are some of the rewards of this area of law and the legal profession?**

I always had an interest in business but never felt as though I'd be happy with a business degree. The closest I got was an Economics minor. The first experience I had with antitrust law was as a paralegal at Kirkland & Ellis in 1995, when I was assigned to cite-check a Supreme Court brief involving NFL players. I thought to myself that if an area of law could be somehow tied to my Philadelphia Eagles, it was for me. One reward of antitrust law is that it forces you to move away from the esoteric concepts of the law and delve deeply into an actual market with actual consumers. Applying the law to the facts is what every good lawyer must do to be successful, and antitrust law forces attorneys to do just that.

**3) What are some of the downsides of this area of law? How would you compare the reality of your profession to the picture you had of it while in school?**

One downside of antitrust law as practiced in a law firm is that it is very, very document intensive. Anyone who has worked in a law firm will tell you that document review is not a fun way to spend a day (or month). I would say that I only had a few misconceptions of what being in the legal profession would be like. I thought that I'd be in a courtroom more often (it's extremely rare for associates in large firms), and I thought that I would attend many more interesting events (work usually got in the way).

**4) Do you have any advice for an undergraduate interested in pursuing this body of law and the legal profession?**

I would recommend that if you are interested in pursuing a job in the legal profession, you should work in a law firm as a paralegal before deciding to spend your money for law school. Once I had developed an interest in the law, I decided to see what it was like by working with a sole practitioner in Philadelphia after college. I liked it, and chose to go on to a large firm in Washington, DC. Starting law school after taking three years to sample law firm life made me focus on what I wanted and made me a better lawyer.

**Contact Information**

If you would like to learn more about antitrust and entertainment law, Time Warner Inc. or have additional questions for Mr. Sullivan, please contact me/reply to this email. I will provide you with his contact information.

**5. UPCOMING PRE-LAW MEETINGS AND PROGRAM ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Upcoming LSAT Administration for 2010**

**Location: Check with LSAC for testing locations (next on campus/JHU LSAT administration – Monday, June 6, 2011).**

**Date: Saturday, December 11, 2010; Saturday, February 12, 2011**

**Time: Registration begins at 8:30am -- consult with LSAC for all controlling details.**

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