



CDO: Welcome from the Career Development Office

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Dear 1Ls:

On behalf of the entire Career Development Office (CDO) staff, welcome!

We recorded a Welcome Video, which was included among your pre-recorded orientation resources, as a way of introducing ourselves and our services to you. If you have not yet viewed it, we are hoping you can spare a few minutes (5 actually) to view it soon. We understand that the orientation videos are available via the [First Year JD Class of 2023 Orientation Materials bCourses site](#).

We have a plan for you, but it's timed to allow you a bit of time to settle into your studies, acclimate to law school life, and meet your classmates before worrying about summer employment. Beginning in September and continuing throughout the month, we will be presenting a series of introductory/overview events. We will also be activating accounts for you in our career services management platform, known as b-Line, **after Labor Day**. And during the last couple of weeks in September, you'll be able to sign up for a small group chat with some of your classmates and a CDO counselor.

Later on, in the October/November time frame, it will make sense for you to schedule your first individual career counseling appointment with one of our [8 attorney-counselors](#). These meetings will be more effective and streamlined with the background knowledge from our September programs under your belt. That will still give you plenty of time to work on your actual 1L summer job applications since you will not actually be submitting them before December, at the earliest. In fact, many 1Ls choose to wait until the winter break -- or even until the beginning of the spring semester -- before applying for positions.

There are many more details to come, so be sure to open your emails from us (which will always start with "CDO:" in the subject line).

In the meantime, you may want to browse through the "For 1Ls" section of our [Career Resources Library](#) (**password:cdoaccess**) and review the attached month by month 1L Career Planning Timeline as you plan out your 1L year.

We are very much looking forward to meeting and working with you over the next three years -- and beyond!

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