Dear 1Ls:

Hello from the Career Development Office (CDO)! We hope you are beginning to settle into the rhythms of law school life.

As promised in our August 16th email (which you can find in our Email Archive), we are writing to let you know that you should now be able to access our career services management platform, b-Line (powered by Symplicity and not to be confused with b-Space), using your CalNet login. You can use it to search for job listings, research employers, and identify, and apply to, opportunities through our On Campus Interview ("OCI") programs.

In addition to exploring b-Line, here are a few suggested career-related next steps:

1) Plan on attending our "Professionalism 101: Building Relationships in the Law" program on Friday, September, 11 beginning at 2:00 p.m.

2) Tell us about your career interests by completing your "Academic Profile" in b-Line (select "Account" and then "Academic" from the left sidebar menu on the b-Line
homepage). Please also review your contact information in the “Personal Profile” section of your b-Line Account and make any necessary corrections/additions. Be sure to provide us with your preferred email address.

3) Look out for an email from us soon, which will contain a link to a video covering some basics about the 1L summer job search, including the different kinds of work you might do, finding and applying for jobs, and obtaining funding for volunteer summer jobs (NOTE: this is a different video than the introductory one that was part of your virtual orientation package).

4) From September 16 through September 30, individual CDO Attorney-Counselors will be hosting a series of small group sessions (CDO Chats). A maximum of 10 students can sign up for each session. It will be an opportunity for us to meet, get to know each other, and to start a conversation about your career goals.

It will be helpful if you watch our 1L Job Search video before attending a CDO Chat. It will give you some basic information that we know will produce some great follow-up questions and discussion during the small group sessions. We will be sending out an email about how to sign up for a CDO Chat next week.

5) Once you’ve listened to the video and participated in a CDO Chat, you should consider making a one-on-one counseling appointment with a CDO counselor in October or November. You will be able to make appointments starting in mid-September (for on or after October 1) and we will send you an email around that time with instructions on how to do that via b-Line.

6) And finally, a reminder to take some time over the next month or so to explore the "For 1Ls" section of the Career Resource Library, do some careful self-assessment, and conduct a bit of practice area/practice setting research. NOTE: The general password for CDO protected web content on the law school website is: cdoaccess.

We are very much looking forward to working with you!