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## CDO: Employer Events and Diversity Opportunities over the Break

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Hello!

We wanted to wish you good luck on finals! After you're finished with them, be sure to bookmark and check out our webpage that contains announcements about employer events over the break. We also want to remind you about the webpage containing diversity fellowships/scholarships. More about them below. Stay tuned for a further email that we'll be sending after finals with information about applying for public interest or government opportunities in PIPS Day and the Spring Interview Program (SIP).

### **Private Sector Employer Events and Resources**

During the holiday season and throughout the spring semester, employers often ask us to forward event announcements and resources to first-year students. These are wonderful opportunities to meet with employers and find out about their philosophy, culture and practice areas.

If you are uncertain why you would attend an event hosted by an employer, or how

to engage with the employers, below are some resources you might find helpful.

- The CDO library has a copy of *How to Work A Room*, by Susan RoAne, as well as several other books with sections containing advice on networking. Other books on networking, such as *The Art of Mingling* (by Jeanne Martinet) and *How to Talk to Anyone* (by Leil Lowndes) are available at bookstores and online.
- Here is a link to an [article on networking](#) by the American Bar Association.
- Here is [general networking advice](#).
- You may wish to look over the Networking and Informational Interviewing sections of our [Career Resource Library webpage](#) which has a wealth of valuable resources, including a [Networking Presentation webcast](#).
- Finally, we have a number of articles on networking, compiled from our CDO blog.

**The webpage containing these announcements can be found [here](#) (if you are prompted for a password on the website, please enter **cdoaccess**).** Please take note of the details of the invitations including location, time, and RSVP deadline.

## Diversity Opportunities

Some employers have created diversity fellowships, initiatives or other programs to help address ongoing concerns about diversity and inclusion in the legal profession. These programs are aimed at students who have shown a commitment to diversity and inclusion, can describe how they can contribute to the diversity of the legal profession, or who are members of underrepresented populations in the legal profession.

We have collected announcements and/or links sent to us from employers about their diversity and inclusion programs. This list is not exhaustive. New entries will be added as they are received, so check back regularly. Since the structure of these programs can vary widely and employers may have different requirements and deadlines, it is important to read each employer's application materials carefully.

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Also, FYI, the National Association of Law Placement (NALP) [maintains a list of various legal employerdiversity initiatives](#) (including fellowship programs).

**Bookmark both these pages and check back frequently -- at least weekly -- as these listings will be updated as the CDO receives new announcements.**

Warm Regards,  
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