



Law Career Services Public Interest Program Providing Students Opportunities to Change Communities

Over the past fifteen years, Law Career Services has sponsored the Public Interest Program raising and awarding over \$60,000 in Summer Public Interest Fellowship Stipends to over 58 students. The Fellows have applied and been chosen by a committee of faculty and administration for their past involvement in public service as well as their desire to continue this service after graduation from law school. These students participate in non-profit summer programs assisting those in the community who are most in need: abused women and children, individuals impaired physically and mentally, the aged, minorities and other underprivileged persons and groups.

The program began in 1994 and each year it has been able to help students to pursue their goals and dreams of becoming public interest attorneys. Law students at Ohio Northern University College of Law continue the history of public service in actively seeking ways to make a difference in our society.

This year the auction rose over \$7000.00 which allowed us to award eight - \$1,000.00 stipends. The students who received the stipends and the positions they held in the summer of 2009 are:

- Jennifer Boyer**, L-2 from Canonsburg, PA
Hancock County Ohio Office of Public Defender
- Thomas Burkhart**, L-2 from Mercer, PA
Mercer County Pennsylvania Office of the Public Defender
- Chase Carter**, L-1 from Bainbridge, OH
Ross County Ohio Office of the Prosecutor
- Jillian Copeland**, L-2 from Mays Landing, NJ
Atlantic County New Jersey Office of the Prosecutor
- Emily Jurmu**, L-1 from Escanaba, MI
Office of U.S. Attorney in Phoenix, AZ
- Christine Pfister**, L-2 from Hudson, OH
Chicago Illinois Legal Clinic
- Ian Weber**, L-1 from Defiance, OH
Neighborhood Legal Services Association in Pittsburgh, PA
- Jerome Williams, Jr.**, L-2 from Valley Stream, NY
Sugar Law Center for Economic & Social Justice in Detroit, MI