Marquette Volunteer Legal Clinics (MVLC) S
Law students pair up with volunteer attorneys and help clients with civil legal questions. Law students explain the limits of the clinic to each client, help frame the legal issue presented, conduct legal research, help prepare legal forms and other documents, maintain the client file, and prepare a written summary of next steps for the client while developing professional relationships with the volunteer lawyers. All clinics take place on Zoom and students are scheduled for a three-hour shift.

Milwaukee Justice Center (MJC) Family Law Forms Clinic S
Learn the basics of family law and procedure ranging from matters of divorce to child support to others like name changes. Law students work one-on-one with a client, under attorney supervision, and learn how to identify the procedure required to help a client meet their goal. Client interviewing skills are central to all types of lawyering and is a skill honed at this clinic. Students interact with circuit court civil procedures ranging from jurisdictional issues to service of process to de novo reviews. All clinics take place on Zoom and students are scheduled for a two-hour shift.

Civil Legal Help Line S
The Civil Legal Help Line was established at the beginning of the Covid-19 crisis when in-person services and drop-in clinics were no longer a safe option for community members seeking legal aid. The Help Line receives up to 100 calls daily. Help Line operators will hone their issue spotting skills and learn about the civil legal aid options available in the Milwaukee area. Answer calls in live-time or respond to voice mails to help get community members linked with the best resource to resolve their legal issue. Hotline operators use a Google Voice account (not their own phone numbers). Students are scheduled for a two-hour shift and have access to a supervisor throughout the entirety of the shift.

Student Legal Aid Clinic (SLAC) with Legal Action of Wisconsin
Law students will work with volunteer lawyers and Legal Action staff to assist technical college students from across the southern half of the state to remove barriers to graduation and employment. Specifically, the clinic addresses criminal records/expungement/pardons, driver’s license recovery, unemployment, and consumer/bankruptcy issues. Law students will learn how to read and interpret Criminal Information Bureau (CIB) reports, CCAP records, driver’s license abstracts, administrative decisions, and court-related documents. Volunteers will also have the opportunity to work directly (remotely) with clients to assist in completing pardon applications, court motions, court and administrative forms, and prepare for unemployment hearings. Students are scheduled for a three-hour shift.

Free Legal Answers: Brief Legal Advice by Email
Collaborate by email with a Legal Action lawyer to draft a written answer to a legal question posted by a low-income Wisconsinite to a free online legal help service. Law students are assigned two questions every three to five weeks to work on over a five-day period on their own time. Relevant research materials are available and a catalogue of over 100 past questions and accompanying completed answers are provided for students’ use as models. The estimated time commitment for this project is four hours monthly. This project is for students with at least one semester of consistent pro bono experience.

Estate Planning Clinic S
Law students and lawyers pair up to prepare an estate plan for a client that includes power of attorney documents for health care and finances, a living will, and a will. Helping a client through these processes when they are healthy means later avoidance of court proceedings for guardianship and heirs’ questions about asset distribution. Students are scheduled for 1.5 hour shifts on Zoom and have about one hour of preparation work to complete on their own before the assigned shift.

Expungements and Pardons Clinic
Work alongside volunteer criminal defense attorneys to help clients determine whether they qualify for an expungement or a pardon. If a client qualifies, work through the process of applying to remove convictions from public records in an attempt to increase employment opportunities, obtain safe sustainable housing, and pursue educational advancements. As part of this opportunity, students will learn how to interpret Criminal Information Bureau (CIB) reports, CCAP records, and other court-related documents. Students are scheduled for a three-hour shift.
**Adult Guardianship Forms Clinic**
Assist a family in need of a court-appointed guardian for a loved one with the required court pleading in this forms-intensive process. A guardianship practice is a natural accompaniment to an estate planning practice. Law students work with an attorney to interview the petitioner and complete the necessary forms. Students are scheduled for a 1.5 hour shift.

**Eviction Records Clean-up Clinic**
Nearly 15,000 evictions are filed in Milwaukee each year. Help a tenant with a dismissed eviction action have the record sealed. When a tenant’s history of eviction—even a dismissed eviction—appears in the public record, this often presents barriers to securing future housing and employment. Learn when eviction records may be sealed and work directly with clients, under attorney supervision, to draft motions to seal. Students are scheduled for a three-hour shift.

**Bankruptcy Clinic**
Join volunteer attorneys to assist Chapter 7 debtors and those considering filing Chapter 7 bankruptcy with the required paperwork. Students learn the basic analysis involved in determining eligibility for Chapter 7 filings and possible alternatives forms of debt relief, besides bankruptcy. Students are scheduled for a two-hour shift.

**Marquette Legal Initiative for Nonprofit Corporations (M-LINC).** Law students pair up with volunteer attorneys and assist Wisconsin nonprofits and organization seeking tax exempt status. Participate in the two-hour clinic shift held via Zoom.

**Small Business Clinic**
Law students pair up with volunteer attorneys and help clients with business law questions including finance, insurance claims, commercial contracting, tax issues, labor and employment matters, real estate, commercial debtor/creditor matters, and regulatory matters. Law students explain the limits of the clinic to each client, help frame the legal issue presented, conduct legal research, help prepare legal forms and other documents, maintain the client file, and prepare a written summary of next steps for the client while developing professional relationships with the volunteer lawyers. All clinics take place on Zoom and students are scheduled for a three-hour shift.

**Wills for Healthcare Heroes**
Prepare an estate plan including a will and powers of attorney for a healthcare worker, then collaborate with a Quarles & Brady attorney to review and finalize the documents. Helping a client through these processes when they are healthy means later avoidance of court proceedings for guardianship and heirs’ questions about asset distribution. Law students are assigned 1-2 clients every 4 weeks. The estimated time commitment for this project is 4-8 hours monthly. Most of this work is done on the student’s own time. This project is for students with previous estate planning experience, or who have taken Trusts & Estates.

**Unemployment Insurance Clinic with Legal Action of Wisconsin**
Assist clients appealing denial of an unemployment insurance claim. Law students assist clients in gathering evidence and organizing their case documents prior to attorney consultations and in anticipation of hearings. This may involve identifying evidence, helping the client navigate the Department of Workforce Development (DWD) application website, and contacting DWD with the client. All work will be done remotely via Teams. The estimated time commitment for this project is two hours weekly. Students will set their own two-hour weekly time commitment that will remain the same each week for the summer.
# Pro Bono Project Schedule At-a-Glance ~ Summer 2021

- Watch the recorded pro bono opportunities event [here](#) (from Spring 2021) to learn about the opportunities available for Summer 2021.
- Sign up for projects online [here](#).

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