The 1L Timeline

August – 1L – Arrive, get books, meet classmates, and get busy. Make sure you have a copy of your transcript.

Sept. Study groups, outlining, avoiding parking tickets, and take Strengthsfinder and attend Discover Your Strengths


Jan. CPPD appts to discuss job search. Get grades, revise resume and cover letter. Attend CPPD Programs, talk to profs about recs for jobs.

Feb. CPPD App’ts and apply to jobs. Attend networking events in FL, and other areas. Govt honors! Write to judges and small firms.


Apr. Mock Interview Fall OCI Programs. Make Appts. Apply to Chicago IP Fair. Think about research assistance work.


June Revise resume and cover letter for OCI. Summer Networking with alum and area contacts. Make Writing sample!

July – Apply to Fall OCI! Judicial clerkship apps for post grad. Network with grads. Attend SEMJF Conference.