2021 Johnston Fellowship Application: Real Estate Law

The R. Harvey Johnston, III Real Estate Law Summer Fellowship will support one Brandeis law student to work in the summer of 2021 in the field of real estate law. The fellowship will be \$5,000.

Eligibility:

Eligible students are those who will be working between their 1L and 2L years or between their 2L and 3L years, and must be planning to return for law classes next fall. Candidates for the fellowship must be in good academic standing and have completed all first year core curriculum before the fellowship begins in the summer. Visiting students who will not receive their degree from Brandeis are not eligible to apply. In addition, candidates must complete this application in a timely manner in order to be considered for the fellowship.

Application Materials:

Complete and submit the following documents via the OCI module which may be found in the left-hand menu on Symplicity. Once in the OCI module, select the "2021 Greenebaum Program Fellowships/Internships" session from the drop-down menu and then select the "Johnston Real Estate Law Summer Fellowship".

Before you can apply to the above fellowship, the following documents must be uploaded to Symplicity under the Documents Module:

- 1) Current Resume [Select the RESUME radio button to upload]
- 2) Unofficial law school transcript [Select the TRANSCRIPT radio button to upload]
- 3) The Application consisting of the application, a signed Sponsoring Organization Commitment Form and a signed Authority to Share Academic Records. [Select the OTHER DOCUMENTS radio button to upload]
- 4) A Statement of Interest [Select the COVER LETTER radio button to upload] that answers the following:
 - a. The student's name [your name must be on the Statement of Interest].
 - b. The Sponsoring Organization's name and contact information.
 - c. Why you are seeking the Johnston Fellowship. Be specific about your interests and goals and how this fellowship ties into your career plans.
 - d. How summer work for the Sponsoring Organization will help you to develop skills and experience in real estate law, including what kinds of work you will be doing. Be as specific as possible.

Be sure all the above documents have been uploaded under the Documents tab on Symplicity. The attachments to this application require signatures. When submitting the application and attachments after proper signatures have been obtained, upload them as one pdf or scan and separately upload each document. If you do not have access to a scanner, please contact Jina Scinta at <u>jina.scinta@louisville.edu</u> for assistance. See the instructions on how to apply for fellowships through OCI in the Document Library on Symplicity.

Selection Committee and Notification of Fellowship Award:

Each year Dean Hajek and Professor Arnold serve on the committee which selects the Johnston Fellow. In addition, others may be invited to serve on the Selection Committee, including UofL faculty/staff, practicing real estate attorneys, or past student recipients of the Johnston Fellowship. All committee members will have access to students' application materials including resumes and transcripts. However, if a student serves on the committee, he/she will not have access to other students' transcripts. **Applications will be reviewed on a rolling basis beginning** <u>February 25, 2021</u> and the latest a student may apply is April 2, 2021 (if the committee has not yet awarded the fellowship).

2021 Johnston Fellowship Application Authority to Share Academic Records

Student name: _____

I agree to release and share my academic records with the Selection Committee for the Johnston Fellowship. I understand that it is my responsibility to submit a transcript (unofficial is acceptable) with my application.

Signature

Date

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Name of Student: _____

Name of Organization:

To the Organization:

The following student seeks to apply for a \$5,000.00 fellowship to work for your organization on real estate law issues in the summer, funded by a charitable gift to the University of Louisville Brandeis School of Law. This is a competitive application process, and there is no guarantee that the student will be selected. However, this fellowship program does not preclude a sponsoring organization from working out a summer work experience for any student who was not selected.

A sponsoring organization can be any organization engaged in a significant amount of legal work concerning real estate. It can be a law firm (including a solo practitioner), a government agency, a nonprofit organization, a title company, a financial institution, or any other organization in which an attorney would be supervising the student's work, which must include at least 320 hours (out of 400 total required hours) of work on real estate law issues. If you have any questions about this fellowship, please contact Laurel Hajek, Assistant Dean of Professional Development, University of Louisville Brandeis School of Law, at <u>laurel.hajek@louisville.edu</u> or 502.852.6096.

By agreeing to be the sponsoring organization for this student's Johnston Fellowship application, you agree to the following terms and conditions in the event that the student is selected for the fellowship:

- 1) The student will be able to work for your organization at least 400 hours (e.g., 40 hours per week for 10 weeks) during the upcoming summer;
- 2) At least 80 percent of the student's work will be in the area of real estate law;
- 3) The student's work will be supervised by an attorney licensed in the relevant jurisdiction;
- 4) The student will receive mentoring to enhance both knowledge and professional skills in the field of real estate law; and
- 5) The student will not receive any additional compensation for this summer work or law school credit, including public service hours.

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If you agree to the terms and conditions in this 2-page form, please sign below and return the original to the student to submit in a timely manner with the student's application. Please retain a copy for your files.

Agreed on _____ (date):

Signature

Print name

Title

Sponsoring Organization

Email address and phone number