FAQ REGARDING MANDATORY MOCK INTERVIEWS

IF I HAVE HAD A NETWORKING CONTACT PERFORM A MOCK INTERVIEW, HOW DO I LET OCP KNOW?

- We encourage you to use this winter break as an opportunity to expand your network. One way that you can do that is to set up a mock interview with an alumni or a practicing attorney in a geographic or practice area of interest. If you have done a mock interview with an attorney, let OCP know so it will satisfy the mock interview requirement. In Symplicity, go to the tab: “Profile.” At the bottom is a section for Mock Interviews and will ask you to input information about the interview.

IF I HAVEN’T YET ARRANGED A MOCK INTERVIEW HOW DO I COMPLETE THE REQUIREMENT?

- We strongly encourage you to take advantage of this opportunity to find a practicing attorney that fits your career goals – needing to fulfill this requirement can be a great way to initiate a networking contact. The Networking Page can provide resources to locate alumni. Once you’ve located an interviewer, complete the Mock Interview section of your Symplicity profile.

- If you are unable to set up a mock interview with an attorney, OCP has some attorneys lined up willing to do mock interviews with students (although you might not be able to interview with someone that matches your career goals). These opportunities will occur January 28th through February 11th. You can sign up for these slots starting on January 21st. You should register by the close of business on January 22nd. Once this option becomes available:
  o Be sure you have a resume uploaded into Symplicity, as you can’t select an interview slot without one. You must have had a resume reviewed by OCP to be able to upload one into Symplicity.
  o Click the “OCI” tab in Symplicity. One of the options in the drop-down Sessions filter will be “2013 Winter 1L Mock Interviews.” Select that Session to view a list of opportunities.
  o Some interviewers will be on campus, while others will be interviewing by Videoconference or Skype. The format of each opportunity will be clearly noted.
  o If interested, click on the date button to view the time slots available. To register for an interview, select the interview time slot and click the Signup button. (If you have more than one resume uploaded to Symplicity, select which should be provided to your interviewer using the Resume window.)
  o You can select only one Symplicity mock interview. If your plans change and you must cancel your original interview, contact OCP.
CAN A MEMBER OF THE OCP STAFF DO MY MOCK INTERVIEW?

- OCP counselors are always happy to do a mock interview with you; the more people that you practice interviewing with, the better. However, because we want the interview to also be a networking opportunity, you must also have a mock interview with a practicing attorney.

IF I HAVE ALREADY INTERVIEWED FOR A JOB FOR THE SUMMER DO I HAVE TO DO A MOCK?

- Yes. It is important to get feedback from your interviews and to continue developing your interview skills.