Rural Practice Initiative Associate and Summer Clerkship Placement Program

**Position Information**

**Employer:** Nebraska State Bar Association (Lincoln, NE)

**Title:** Nebraska State Bar Association Rural Practice Initiative Associate and Summer Clerkship Program

**Description:** Apply to work in a small firm or with a solo practitioner in greater Nebraska! The Nebraska State Bar Association’s Rural Practice Initiative Program places attorneys and law students in firms outside of metropolitan areas. Participating attorneys are connected with firms looking to hire associates in Greater Nebraska. Participating law students gain practical experience, draft pleadings and interrogatories, shadow during court days and client meetings, research, and prepare briefs and memos. All clerks are compensated by their employer. Pay varies by employer. Your resume and cover letter will be given to practitioners in your region or practice area of interest.

**All application materials must be submitted by September 1, 2017.**

Resume and cover letter required. Transcript and writing sample will be requested if you are invited to interview.

**Address your cover letter to:**
Sam Clinch, Associate Director
Nebraska State Bar Association
635 S 14th St. #200
Lincoln, NE 68508

**Discuss in your cover letter the following topics:**

1. The region(s) you are interested in. Note the judicial district you are interested in (see map at https://supremecourt.nebraska.gov/dc/judges). Feel free to specify a county or leave blank if you are open to state-wide placement.

2. Your connection to or interest in working in a small firm or with a solo practitioner.

3. Your connections, if any, and interest in Nebraska communities outside of metropolitan Lincoln and Omaha.

4. If applicable, indicate any specific career interests, type of law practice (i.e. general, trusts and estates, tax, litigation, etc.), and relevant coursework or past experiences.

5. Your interest in either a 5-week or 10-week clerkship during the summer of 2018 or your interest in being hired as a full-time associate.

6. It could also benefit your application to highlight past community service, relevant employment, and/or research experience.

7. If you are a law student applicant, your need for temporary housing assistance.

**If you have questions about the application or placement process, please contact Sam Clinch at sclinch@nebar.com or call at (402) 475-7091.**
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In an effort to provide attorneys and law students with an opportunity to experience the practice of law in Greater Nebraska, the Nebraska State Bar Association is conducting its fourth annual Rural Practice Initiative Program. We hope to connect participating attorneys students with firms looking to hire associates or law clerks in Greater Nebraska.

In-person interviews for our clerkship program or full-time employment will take place at Wayne State College in the Kanter Student Center on Friday, September 15, 2017 from noon to 5:00 pm, with a reception to follow. The goal is to provide 15-20 minutes for each interview. We estimate that each attorney will have the opportunity to interview at least six students in the afternoon. Attorneys and students will have an additional opportunity to meet and converse at a reception following the formal interviewing session.

If you are interested in interviewing for an associate position or a law clerkship for the summer of 2018, please fill out the form below and return to Sam Clinch, 635 S 14th St. #200, Lincoln, NE 68508. Please respond by September 1, 2017.

**Associate**

☐ I am interested in interviewing for a full time associate position.

**Summer Clerkship**

I would like to interview for a:

☐ 5-week clerkship  ☐ 10-week clerkship

☐ I would like to participate in the in-person interviews at Wayne State College on September 15th.

Name: ____________________________________________________________________________________
Firm: _____________________________________________________________________________________
Address: __________________________________________________________________________________
City:_______________________________________ State:_____________ Zip: ________________________
Phone:_________________________ Email: _____________________________________________________

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