

**Summer Public Service Fellowship Program
Discussion Group Questions**

Please prepare to discuss the following questions in your Fellowship Discussion Group, to be held between Monday, August 5 and Friday, August 30, 2024, at the School of Law.

1. Describe the employer (number of practicing lawyers, types of matters in which they are involved, types of clients served, office culture, etc.) with whom you worked and the kinds of assignments you worked on.
2. From your perspective, what are the benefits and disadvantages faced by lawyers working in this environment?
3. What was your most meaningful learning experience this summer and why? What did you learn from the experience?
4. What did you learn about the profession? How can this knowledge enhance your law school experience? How will you use this knowledge when you become a lawyer?
5. What did you learn about how people access the justice system? Do you think there are reforms that need to be made? If so, what and why?
6. What did you learn about professionalism? Please refer to particular experiences that informed your understanding, and how they will impact the type of lawyer you hope to be.
7. What did you learn about yourself this summer and how will those insights inform the type of practice you hope to pursue?
8. If your internship revealed that the area or type of practice you thought you wanted to pursue is not for you, what led you to this conclusion? What insights did you gain about yourself and the type of work environment you want that will help you reformulate your career goals? What next steps will you take? How are you feeling about this change in course? What are the positives and negatives?