



Orange County Bar Association
Young Lawyers Section
Law Student Mentoring Program

MENTOR APPLICATION

Name: _____

Fla. Bar No.: _____

Employer: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Please print clearly as email will be the primary means of contact to and from the YLS-Law School Mentoring Committee.

MINIMUM MENTOR REQUIREMENTS

The Professionalism Committee of the OCBA reviews all Mentor applications and makes the final decision as to whether an applicant will be placed on the Pre-Approved Mentor List, which is required before a Mentor can be matched with a Mentee.

Please check all of the following that apply:

- I am an attorney licensed in Florida and in good standing with the Florida Bar.
- I will have been admitted to practice law in Florida for at least one year as of October 31, 2010.
- I am a member in good standing of the OCBA Young Lawyers Section.
- I have never been suspended or disbarred from the practice of law in any state nor have I voluntarily surrendered my law license to dispose of a pending disciplinary proceeding. If so, please attach explanation.
- I have not been otherwise sanctioned as an attorney in any jurisdiction during the last ten years. If so, please attach explanation.
- There is no formal disciplinary complaint currently pending against me before the Florida Bar or Supreme Court of Florida. If so, please attach explanation.



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ABOUT YOU

The following information will be compiled to create an individual Mentor profile that will be accessible to law students (“Mentees”) applying to the YLS Mentoring Program. Mentees are asked on their applications what they are looking for in a Mentor, and this information is also used to help match Mentors and Mentees, where necessary. This information may also be used for statistical and evaluative purposes. PLEASE DO NOT ATTACH A RESUME AS IT WILL NOT BE REVIEWED.

Undergraduate School: _____

Year of Graduation: _____ Major: _____

Law School: _____ Year of Graduation: _____

Please select up to three areas which best describe your practice:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Admin/Governmental | <input type="checkbox"/> Federal Practice | <input type="checkbox"/> Probate/Trust Estates |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Appeals | <input type="checkbox"/> General Practice | <input type="checkbox"/> Real Estate/Landlord Tenant |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Antitrust Litigation | <input type="checkbox"/> General Litigation | <input type="checkbox"/> Social Security |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Arbitration/Mediation | <input type="checkbox"/> Health | <input type="checkbox"/> Sports/Entertainment |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bankruptcy | <input type="checkbox"/> Immigration | <input type="checkbox"/> Tort and Insurance |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Business/Commercial | <input type="checkbox"/> Intellectual Property | <input type="checkbox"/> Taxation |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Criminal | <input type="checkbox"/> International | <input type="checkbox"/> Traffic |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Elder | <input type="checkbox"/> Juvenile | <input type="checkbox"/> Trial Work |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Employment/Labor Law | <input type="checkbox"/> Practice Management | <input type="checkbox"/> Workers Comp |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Environmental | <input type="checkbox"/> Personal Injury / Property Damage | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Family/Domestic | | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____ |

- Years of practice, as of October 31, 2010:
- | | |
|----------------------------|----------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1 | <input type="checkbox"/> 6-10 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 2 | <input type="checkbox"/> 10 – 15 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 3 | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 4 | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 5 | |



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Check all those which apply to your employment:

Type of Practice:

- Solo Practice
 Law Firm
 Government Office
 Judicial law clerk
 In-house Counsel
 Legal Aid / public interest

Non-legal job

Other: _____

Size of Firm:

- 1 lawyer
 2 - 9 lawyers
 10 - 39 lawyers
 40 + lawyers
 100 + lawyers

Location of Practice:

- North Orange County
 South Orange County
 East Orange County
 West Orange County
 Downtown Orlando
 Adjacent County (please specify: _____)

Background. This section is optional – you may complete all, part, or none of it. Mentees are asked their preference as to the following factors, with “no preference” being an option.

- Age: 20 – 25
 25 – 30
 30 – 35
 35 – 45
 45 – 55
 55+

Gender: Male Female

Children: Yes No

Married: Yes No

Military Service (past or present): Yes No

Race/ethnicity/national origin:

- White
 Black / African American
 Asian
 Indian
 Islander
 Hispanic
 Other: _____



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Please let us know which of the following activities you will be comfortable participating in with your Mentee. Please check all that apply. You may discuss with your Mentee any topic that you and your Mentee wish to discuss. This list is used primarily to assist in matching Mentors and Mentees.

- Attending OCBA functions such as the luncheon, the YLS luncheon, committee meetings, and social/networking functions (Wine and Cheese Reception / Evening with the Judiciary).
- Attending functions of other local legal organizations such as CFAWL, Paul C. Perkins Bar, Inns of Court, etc.
- Attending functions of other local civic clubs or organizations.
- Discussing options for legal careers.
- Discussing ethical and professionalism issues.
- Discussing preparation for and taking the Florida Bar exam.
- Attending hearings or trials.
- Discussing “unwritten” customary rules of civility, etiquette, or professionalism among lawyers and judges in Orange County.
- Attending depositions or mediations.
- Discussing the OCBA Legal Aid Society and pro bono work generally.
- Discussing how to balance one’s professional and personal life.
- Discussing management of a law office.
- Discussing computers and technology in the legal profession.
- Discussing substance abuse and mental health issues.
- Discussing management of law school debt.



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BEING MATCHED TO A MENTEE

Show me as an “available” Mentor on the Pre-Approved Mentor List: If I am selected as a Mentor I agree to be paired with a Mentee who selects my name from the Pre-Approved Mentor List until I ask to be removed from the Pre-Approved Mentor List (*every effort will be made to request updated status from Mentors prior to each Mentoring Year*).

----- you may select both -----

Pair me with a specific Mentee: There is a particular Mentee who would like me to be his or her Mentor. If I am approved as a Mentor, please pair me with the following Mentee (whose application is or will be submitted):

Mentee’s name: _____

Mentee’s law school: _____

Mentee’s email address: _____

All Mentoring / Mentee pairings are subject to the approval of the Mentoring Committee.

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ACKNOWLEDGMENT

I wish to serve as a Mentor in the YLS Mentoring Program in accordance with its rules and regulations. I understand that my participation in the YLS Mentoring Program is contingent upon the approval of my application by the YLS-Law School Mentoring Committee and by the Professionalism Committee of the OCBA.

The information submitted herein is accurate to the best of my knowledge. I certify that I meet all of the Minimum Mentor Requirements, which I checked-off above.

I understand that the Mentee with whom I am matched is ultimately determined and approved by the YLS-Law School Mentoring Committee and there is no guarantee that I will be matched to a particular Mentee or to any Mentee. I understand that every effort will be made to accommodate preferences where they are made known to the YLS-Law School Mentoring Committee.

I agree to commit to the YLS Mentoring Program the time reasonably necessary to successfully mentor the Mentee with whom I am paired.

Signature

Date

Print/Type Name

Please submit this application and direct question to:

ylsmentoring@gmail.com

include your name in the subject line

Kristopher Kest
407-418-6285

Next step: You will receive a reply email acknowledging receipt of your application. After the Mentoring Committee pairs you with a Mentee, you and your Mentee will need to complete the Mentoring Plan as soon as possible, but not later than the last Friday in September.

Please attend our orientation session for Mentors and Mentees: Friday, September 24, 2010 from noon to 1:00 p.m. at the OCBA offices (address below). Lunch provided. No cost to attend.