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Dear YLS Members:

Do you remember your second year of law school? Your third year? Studying for and taking the bar exam? Applying and interviewing for your first legal job? Here's your opportunity to pass along to current law students some of the wisdom and insights you gained through those experiences.

I encourage you to apply to be a mentor in the YLS-Law Student Mentoring Program. This program is open to all YLS members who have completed at least one year of practice. Mentors will be paired with law students for one academic year and will provide guidance on transitioning from law school to the practice of law, with a focus on practicing with professionalism. You will be able to engage in any activities that you and your mentee choose, including lunch, YLS and OCBA functions, and substantive legal activities such as hearings and client meetings.

I'm sure you will find mentoring rewarding, and it will likely make you realize just how much you've learned in a few short years. For more information, and to apply, please visit the new YLS-Law Student Mentoring Program's website at [www.ylsmentoring.org](http://www.ylsmentoring.org). Because we have a new, streamlined application process, even last year's mentors will need to re-apply. **Monday, August 15 is the deadline** to apply to be paired with a law students this fall. If you have any questions, please contact me or any other member of the Mentoring Committee, whose contact information can be found on the website.

Sincerely,

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