

## **MEMORANDUM**

To: Amy Perez, Board Liaison

Cc: Fred Thrasher, Deputy Director

From: Greg Miarecki and Julie Dietrich, Co-Chairs of the Law Student Professional Development Section

Date: January 28, 2026

Re: Third Quarter Board Report, NALP Law Student Professional Development Section

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### **I. Leadership**

We are serving as co-chairs of this section. Jessica Herndon serves as our liaison to the Lawyer PD Section, and we understand that Susanne Aronowitz is serving as the Lawyer PD to our Section. We also understand that Carmia Caesar has been appointed as a DEI liaison to this Section. We still have not received any outreach from Carmia, but she is welcome to participate in any Section meetings or initiatives.

### **II. Meeting Dates**

Our meeting this quarter was held on January 7, 2026 from 3 PM to 4 PM Eastern. During this meeting, we worked to provide helpful, relevant, and timely content. Specifically, we invited three of our colleagues to share what they were doing in terms of PD programming designed to assist students in succeeding in their summer positions. Erin Bond from NYLS, Elizabeth Crane from South Carolina, and Katie Liss from DePaul all shared their expertise with the group. We had more than 30 participants join the call, which lasted about 30 minutes. We had several nice comments about the utility and efficiency of the meeting.

Our next meeting is scheduled for February 25<sup>th</sup>, 2026 (2 PM Eastern). This meeting will be run jointly with the Lawyer PD Section, and will focus on issues of mutual interest related to artificial intelligence.

### **III. Proposals**

We jointly presented at PDI with our counterparts in the Lawyer PD Section on Bridging the Gap: Transforming Law Students Into Lawyers. We had an excellent turnout – more than 50 people.

In terms of the AEC, our Section advanced a number of proposals, but we have not been informed as to which ones were accepted.

We submitted a number of proposals for NALP Bulletin articles this year, and were informed that all of them were accepted:

- i. Habits with Big Impact to Acquire and Exemplify the Hidden 1L Curriculum
- ii. Practical Tips for a Successful Summer: When, How, and What to Communicate to Busy 1Ls and 2Ls
- iii. Building Skills, Serving Justice: How Pro Bono Work Can Enhance Law Student Development
- iv. AI as a Career Ally: How Law Schools Can Responsibly Integrate AI into Career Development
- v. Building Bridges: Working Effectively With Student Groups

#### **IV. Upcoming Projects**

Our next project is the joint meeting in February with the Lawyer PD Section, as outlined above.