HOW TO GET INVOLVED

The Dickinson Public Interest Law Fund thrives on the dedicated support of the Dickinson Law community. We encourage you to get involved!

BECOME A STUDENT MEMBER OF PILF

PILF is open to all students at DSL. Send an email to pilf@psu.edu to subscribe to the PILF mailing list. Please indicate you'd like to receive notification about the next scheduled student meeting.

DONATE ITEMS TO THE SILENT AUCTION

Donate gift certificates for restaurants and services, event tickets, sports memorabilia, and novelty items for PILF's Annual Silent Auction.

PLEDGE A TAX DEDUCTIBLE CONTRIBUTION

Tax deductible contributions may be made to the Public Interest Law Fund. Your donations go directly to fund the summer fellowship program.

SPONSOR A SUMMER FELLOWSHIP

PILF welcomes the support of law firms in underwriting a student recipient of a Cherie T. Millage Summer Fellowship.

SERVE AS A GUEST SPEAKER OR PANELIST

Let us know if you would be willing to speak with students about your personal and professional experience with issues related to the practice of public interest law.

SHARE YOUR IDEAS

Contribute your ideas for fundraising initiatives. Support public interest work by sharing information and ideas regarding public interest job opportunities in your own geographic region.

PUBLIC INTEREST LAW AT DICKINSON

In addition to PILF, The Dickinson School of Law offers many opportunities for students to get involved with public interest law while in law school.

- **The Miller Center for Public Interest Advocacy** formally confers the title of Miller Center Public Interest Advocate upon those students who perform public service work meeting criteria set forth by the Center.
- **Regional pro bono attorney projects, IOLTA grants, in-house clinics, and field placement clinics** provide excellent opportunities to foster law students' commitment to the professional obligation to serve the under-represented, regardless of the practice area the student plans to pursue.
- **The Law School's loan repayment assistance program (LRAP)** assists graduating students who begin their careers in the public interest sector.

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PILF'S MISSION

A student-run organization, The Dickinson Public Interest Law Fund is dedicated to promoting the practice of law in the public interest arena.

Student members of PILF raise funds annually to underwrite its fellowship program, which enables several students each summer to accept pro bono legal positions with non-profit organizations and legal services agencies.

Additionally, PILF sponsors public interest events on campus to educate students about rewarding career possibilities in public interest law.

THE CHERIE T. MILLAGE SUMMER FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM

The Dickinson Public Interest Law Fund established the Summer Fellowship program in memory of the late director of DSL's Career Services Office, Cherie T. Millage, who was highly supportive of PILF's goals.

PILF sponsors at least three fellowships each summer, commensurate with the funds raised during the school year by PILF. Fellowships are awarded based on merit to students who obtain nonpaying summer work in public interest law. Employers include governmental agencies, nonprofit organizations with 501(c)(3) tax-exempt status, and private firms engaged in public interest practice. Fellows are expected to complete at least 400 hours of work with a qualifying organization during the summer. The Millage Fellowships fund recipients for ten weeks of full-time summer work at a competitive rate.

Cherie T. Millage Fellows have worked with:

- AIDS Legal Council of Chicago
- Center for Wildlife Law
- Children's Defense Fund
- Farmworker's Division of Camden Regional Legal Services
- Homeless Advocacy Project
- Innocence Project
- Legal Action of Wisconsin, Inc.
- Office of Public Defender
- PA Regional Housing Legal Services
- Philadelphia Volunteer Lawyers for the Arts
- Rosebud Sioux Indian Reservation
- Trout Unlimited
- Turning Point of the Lehigh Valley Domestic Abuse Support Services

PILF was established by students in the fall of 1990 with the objective of promoting student interest and community involvement in the field of public interest law.

PILF'S ANNUAL FUNDRAISING & SPONSORED EVENTS

PILF's Silent Auction

PILF sponsors an annual silent auction, the proceeds of which underwrite a substantial portion of the summer fellowships. Students, alumni, faculty, local merchants and celebrities donate goods, services and other items of interest at auction to the highest bidder.

Students Funding Students Campaign

One of PILF's main fundraising activities is the Students Funding Students Campaign, a one-week pledge drive in which students and faculty receive T-shirts, mugs, hats, and pens in return for their generous contributions to fund fellowships. Faculty members pledge matching funds for each class year.

Final Exam Gift Baskets

Each semester, PILF invites the families and friends of Dickinson law students to purchase final exam gift baskets. The baskets are filled with healthy snacks, drinks, fruit and fun trinkets. Students receive the baskets during the final week in class before finals begin.

Speakers Trust

In collaboration with Dickinson Law School's Miller Center for Public Interest Advocacy, PILF organizes panels and individual speakers to discuss special issues related to public interest law. PILF works in conjunction with the Office of Career Services to increase student access to information about careers in the public interest sector.

Equal Justice Works Career Fair

Dickinson School of Law is a full member of Equal Justice Works (formerly NAPIL). Each year, a student is sponsored to attend the career fair in Washington, DC, as a representative of Dickinson PILF.

Other Special Events

Among special fundraising events in previous years, PILF has sponsored a Spring 5k Race and Halloween Ghost Tours of Carlisle. PILF welcomes other fundraising ideas!

PLEASE HELP SUPPORT THE DICKINSON PUBLIC INTEREST LAW FUND

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☐ $20 ☐ $50 ☐ $100 ☐ Other $_____, or

☐ Enclosed please find my tax-deductible donation for the next PILF Silent Auction. Please write description below. For larger items, please contact us to help accommodate delivery.

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Address _____

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