WHAT IS THE GW LAW ALUMNI ASSOCIATION?

The George Washington Law Alumni Association (GWLAA) is your ticket to staying connected with your classmates in the years to come, and as a GW Law graduate, you’re automatically a member. Led by a volunteer Board of Directors, the GWLAA’s central mission is to serve as a voice for alumni and to enhance the alumni experience.

SPECIFICALLY, THE GWLAA IS HERE TO:

• Enable your engagement with fellow graduates, current students, and the university by providing ongoing opportunities for involvement.
• Serve as a voice for you and other alumni to promote communication of achievements, concerns, and aspirations.
• Build a culture of philanthropy to support current and future generations of GW Law students and alumni.

WHO ARE GW LAW ALUMNI?

The George Washington University Law School boasts more than 28,000 alumni. One hundred and fifty are judges serving on local, state, and federal benches and 10 are justices on State Supreme Courts. Prominent law school alumni include the late John Foster Dulles, LLB ’12, the late J. William Fulbright, LLB ’34, and the late U.S. Senator Daniel K. Inouye, JD ’52; U.S. Senator Harry Reid, JD ’54, former Treasury Secretary John W. Snow, JD ’67; former Attorney General William P. Barr, JD ’75; Mary Schapiro, JD ’80, the first woman to chair the Securities and Exchange Commission; Carmen Ortiz, JD ’81, the first woman and first Hispanic to serve as the U.S. Attorney for the District of Massachusetts; three former Internal Revenue Service Commissioners; and many notable leaders in business, industry, and government.
GET INVOLVED

ALUMNI MENTORING PROGRAM
Through a program started in 2012, alumni have the opportunity to advise law students in their academic and professional development. The program can be rewarding for both groups: the students appreciate an experienced voice to offer tips and put their coursework in perspective, while alumni gain the chance to stay connected to life at the law school and help a developing legal professional.

REUNION CLASS COMMITTEE MEMBER
Get back in touch with your former classmates. Lead outreach and assist with planning for your GW Law Reunion.

HIRE OUR STUDENTS AND RECENT GRADUATES
Is your office looking to hire a student intern or recent law school graduates? Please e-mail alumni@law.gwu.edu to connect with a career professional.

REGIONAL VOLUNTEER
The GWLAA hosts many events to strengthen your ties to GW Law and your fellow alumni. You can assist with planning and outreach for these regional activities. Regional events provide alumni the opportunity to learn the latest about GW Law and ways in which they can help the GW Law community.

PRACTICE AREA NETWORKING
Get in touch with us to discuss ways to help you connect with other alumni in your practice area and our related programming and social media. We host receptions at several major conferences every year in major U.S. cities, and invite you to join us.

AFFINITY GROUPS

ADMISSIONS VOLUNTEER
If you are interested in helping GW Law admissions, we are happy to discuss ways in which you can participate. Please e-mail alumni@law.gwu.edu for more information.

Stay connected to other alumni, the law school faculty, and our students by exploring the variety of volunteer engagement opportunities. Make an impact by mentoring a law student or attending a regional activity.

Get involved! E-mail alumni@law.gwu.edu or call 202.994.7166.
ALUMNI BENEFITS

ONLINE ALUMNI COMMUNITY AND LIFETIME E-MAIL
Did you know that you can keep your @law.gwu.edu e-mail address after you graduate? Our online community also allows you to search for other GW Law alumni, keep in touch with classmates through groups and discussion forums, post class notes, share photos, update your contact information, and register for events online. Log in or register today!

ACCESS TO THE JACOB BURNS LAW LIBRARY
Even after you graduate, you still have access to the Jacob Burns Law Library and some of its special alumni services. Just present your GW Law Alumni Association membership card along with a photo ID at the front desk. You can get your GWLAA membership card at the William P. Barr Dean's Suite on the second floor of the E building. To gain borrowing privileges, alumni can join the Friends of the Law Library to become eligible to borrow for a membership year.

WORLDWIDE ALUMNI EVENTS & PROGRAMMING

The GW Law Alumni Office hosts events around the world each year. Check the alumni events calendar or the monthly alumni e-newsletter for upcoming events including:

• Affinity and interest group events
• Regional receptions and other special events
• Class reunions
• Events at meetings of professional organizations such as Bar Associations
• Academic programming and Continuing Legal Education

SIGNATURE EVENTS: REUNION WEEKEND AND ALUMNI WEEKEND
Each June, the law school hosts a Class Reunion Weekend in Washington, D.C., to celebrate the GW Law of the past and today. In the fall, the alumni office also offers an Alumni Weekend with a variety of events.

Reconnect with classmates, tour the law school, hear a faculty lecture, participate in activities with students, and attend special interest group events.

For more information on the Friends program, please log into the online alumni community and visit the Law Library Resources for Alumni page.

The Law Library offers several additional resources for alumni, including access to a dedicated Westlaw terminal in the Library and access to HeinOnline’s Law Journal Collection.

For a limited time after graduation, alumni also have access to Westlaw and Lexis services, which both contain resources for job hunters. For details, please contact the Jacob Burns Law Library at eservices@law.gwu.edu.
Gelman Library
Alumni may also access GW’s Gelman Library by obtaining a GWWorld Alumni ID card.

Leadership Directories
Alumni may access Leadership Directories at www.LeadershipDirectories.com through the online alumni community.

NALP Directory of Legal Employers
Looking for employers? The National Association for Law Placement (NALP) publishes a directory of legal employers every year. This directory is available through the online alumni community and provides information on member firms, including firm profiles, contacts, salary information, hours, benefits, demographics, hiring criteria, and other valuable data.

Loan Repayment Assistance Program
The Loan Repayment Assistance Program (LRAP) at GW Law helps JD graduates enjoy careers in public interest law despite their student loan obligations. With funding from a dedicated endowment, substantially supplemented by the law school’s Dean’s Office, LRAP makes individual loans to graduates each year.

Additional Benefits from GW
After graduation, you are not just joining the GWLAA, but also the greater George Washington Alumni Association (GWAA), which includes alumni from all schools within the university. Numerous discounts and benefits are available at places including Lisner Auditorium, Zipcar, The George Washington University Inn, Club Quarters Hotels, The Princeton Club of New York, and Washington Sports Clubs. For more information, please visit the university’s alumni page at http://alumni.gwu.edu.

Career Services for GW Law Alumni
The Career Center is pleased to assist GW Law graduates contemplating a job change or seeking employment. Their services for graduates include:

Career Consultations: The Career Center’s staff members are available to meet in person or over the phone. Whether you want to discuss résumé and cover letter preparation, interviewing tips, job search and career-related resources, job search strategies, networking, informational interviewing, or any other topic of interest, the Career Center can help.

Clerkships: The Career Center assists students and alumni who are interested in pursuing post-graduate judicial clerkships. For more information, please contact the Director of Clerkships at 202.994.9320.
JOB POSTINGS: Graduates can find regularly updated job notices through the Symplicity system. The listings include openings received directly from employers and vacancies from select legal newspapers, periodicals, job newsletters, and websites. Most listings are for graduates with a minimum of 0-5 years of experience, with the majority in the 0-3 year range. To obtain your password, please contact the Career Center at 202.994.7340 or gwlawcareers@law.gwu.edu.

MOCK INTERVIEWS: If you have an upcoming interview, the Career Center strongly recommends participating in mock interviews for practice and advice. Prior to your mock interview, please provide a copy of all of your application materials as well as the job posting and any information about the interview format.

RECIPIROCITY: Even if you can't make it back to GW Law, some law schools, through a process called reciprocity, permit graduates of other law schools to visit their career services offices and subscribe to their career job newsletters. Schools that grant reciprocity may offer it only during certain times of the year (typically between December and July). Please note that it can be difficult to obtain reciprocity in major metropolitan areas. To find out more, please contact the Career Center at 202.994.7340 or gwlawcareers@law.gwu.edu.

RESOURCE LIBRARY: Graduates have access to the Career Center’s extensive resource library. Resources include directories for private and public sector employers; practice area specific resource sheets; detailed employer-provided information; salary surveys; application forms; and publications about career options, job search strategies, and networking/informational interviewing. Contact the Career Center to take advantage of these resources.

STAY CONNECTED

It’s easy to engage with the law school:

- Join the GW Law Alumni Association LinkedIn group and other GW Law groups
- “Like” GW Law on Facebook
- Follow GW Law on Twitter (@GWLaw)
- Read the biannual GW Law Magazine
- View photos from GW Law events on our SmugMug page

We want to hear about your life and successes after graduation. Please take the time to share your:

- Recent accomplishments
- Career updates
- Contact information

Please send all updates to alumni@law.gwu.edu.