



Mentee Participation Agreement for 2015 Academic Year

The Mentoring Program at Shepard Broad College of Law (“Program”) provides you (“Mentee”) the opportunity to work with an attorney (“Mentor”) to explore areas of legal practice, expand your understanding of professionalism, and enhance your interpersonal and networking skills. These skills and information are the foundation upon which you can develop your successful career.

As you begin the Program, it is important to understand the nature and purpose of the Mentor-Mentee relationship, particularly what is and is not contemplated by this relationship.

By participating in the Mentoring Program at NSU Shepard Broad College of Law (“Program”) you, as the Mentee, acknowledge and agree to the following terms and conditions:

1. You are currently enrolled as a student at Nova Southeastern University Shepard Broad College of Law, are in academic good standing, and are not the subject of a pending academic disciplinary hearing. Should you cease to be enrolled, lose your academic good standing, or are the subject of an academic disciplinary hearing, your participation in the Program may be terminated.
2. As a Mentee, you acknowledge and agree that the Program is one that involves creating professional relationships among Mentors and Mentees. Learning how to form and manage professional relationships and maintain appropriate and professional boundaries with and among fellow Mentee(s) and Mentor(s) is paramount. As a Mentee, you must ensure that your conduct is always professional and only appropriate business relationships should be formed during your participation in the Program.
3. Although the Program creates many opportunities to interact with employers, the specific purpose of this relationship is not to obtain a job from or through the Mentor(s) who volunteer for the Program.
4. Any information which you may learn regarding any of the Mentor’s(s’) client(s) during your participation in the Program will be kept confidential by you and you will not disclose such information to anyone.

5. You will avoid any contact with the Mentor(s)' client(s) that would create an attorney-client relationship or give the appearance of same.
6. Your Mentor(s) will not assist you with any of the following issues:
 - a. Direct Involvement in any of your personal legal matters;
 - b. Provide legal advice to you on any of your personal legal matters;
 - c. Lend you money or assist you with personal financial matters outside the scope of any *bona fide* scholarship provided by the Mentor through the Shepard Broad College of Law for which you may happen to be the recipient;
 - d. Assistance with any law school assignment(s) or other work related to your earning a Juris Doctor from the Shepard Broad College of Law, or any law student competition;
 - e. Assistance with any work assigned to you by your employer regardless of whether your employer is the Shepard Broad College of Law (Clinic program or otherwise), Nova Southeastern University or any of its colleges, centers, or other affiliates, or an organization at which you volunteer your services;
7. You agree to comply with the Rules of Professional Conduct and the Rules Regulating the Florida Bar and will not engage in any conduct which may subject a Program Mentor to disciplinary action by The Florida Bar or trigger an obligation to amend your Bar application.
8. The relationship you create with the Mentor(s) requires you to understand that Nova Southeastern University Shepard Broad College of Law, its Law Alumni Association, and Nova Southeastern University and its employees (collectively "NSU") are not responsible for the Mentor(s) and/or Mentee(s) who participate in the Program. You understand that NSU makes no specific representations or warranties in connection with (i) the fitness of the Mentor(s) and/or Mentee(s); (ii) the nature of the relationship that ultimately develops or fails to develop with the Mentor(s) and/or Mentee(s); or (iii) any statements, advice, actions, negligence, intentional wrongdoing, or any other conduct or statements of the Mentor(s) and/or Mentee(s). You understand that you are ultimately responsible for your decisions made as a result of advice, guidance or suggestions made by the Mentor(s) and/or Mentee(s), and you agree to hold harmless NSU from any and all liability and/or claims allegedly arising in connection with your participation in the Program.

9. You understand that your participation in the Program is governed by the Code of Academic Regulations of Nova Southeastern University Shepard Broad College of Law (f/k/a Shepard Broad Law Center) and agree to abide by the terms and conditions of same. Direct any questions to the Program Director.

Signature of Student/Mentee

Date

Name Printed

Telephone

Email

Street Address, City, State, Zip Code

Thank you joining the NSU Law Mentoring Program. Please return the Mentee Participation Agreement to:

By email: minicucc@nova.edu

By US Mail:

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