

LAGBAC MENTORSHIP PROGRAM

LAGBAC is excited to announce a mentorship program overseen by the Law School Committee. Attorneys who agree to participate in the program will be paired with one or more Chicago-area law students. For attorneys, the program provides an opportunity to mentor students who may be facing concerns about career choices, passing the bar, and entrance into practice as GLBT attorneys. For students, the program will offer networking opportunities, the chance to learn about different practice areas, and the support of an attorney who was once in their shoes.

Attorneys and students who participate in the program should meet at least once a quarter at a mutually agreeable place (we encourage mentors and mentees to get together somewhere other than the attorney's office). The Committee also plans on organizing an event each semester that will bring together all mentors and their mentees.

To participate in the program, please fill out the appropriate application form (attached) and return it to Nicole Bashor or John Litchfield, LAGBAC Board Members, as listed on the form. Applications are accepted on a rolling basis. The Committee will do its best to match mentees with mentors practicing in their areas of interest and with their sexual orientation of preference. We will notify you of your mentor/mentee assignment as soon as possible.

If you have questions, concerns, or suggestions, please direct them to nbashor@lagbac.org.

Thanks for your participation in this important program!

The LAGBAC Board and
Law School Committee

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Mentor Application

Email to nbashor@lagbac.org or mharsch@lagbac.org

Or fax to 312.263.4481, Attn Nicole Bashor

Name _____ Sex _____

Employer _____

Address _____

Phone: (Work) _____ (Cell) _____

Email _____

Type of employer: [] Firm [] Government [] Non-profit [] Other _____

Practice areas _____

Yrs in practice _____

Law School _____ Grad. date _____

Bar Admissions/Date: Illinois /_____ Other _____ /_____

Number of mentees desired _____

Prefer mentee that is: [G] [L] [B] [T]

Why do you want to participate in the mentorship program?

Comments:

As a mentor, you agree to contact and meet with any mentees assigned to you at least once quarterly. Meetings should take place at a mutually agreeable location other than your office (although we encourage you to introduce your mentee(s) to your office on other occasions). Please contact your mentee(s) within two weeks of receiving your initial assignment. Should you have questions or concerns, please contact Skip Harsch (mharsch@lagbac.org) or Nicole Bashor (nbashor@lagbac.org) of the LAGBAC Board.

Signature

Date

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Mentee Application

Email to jlitchfield@lagbac.org

Or fax to 312.915.7194, Attn John Litchfield

Name _____ Sex _____

Address _____

Phone _____

Email _____

Law School _____ Expected Grad. Date _____

Year of Law School First Second Third Other _____

Employment Interests: Firm Government Non-profit Other _____

Undecided

Practice Areas of Interest _____

Bar Exam / Date Illinois / _____ Other _____ / _____

Prefer mentor that is: [G] [L] [B] [T]

What do you hope to gain from the mentorship program?

Comments:

As a mentee, you agree to meet with your mentor at least once quarterly. Meetings should take place at a mutually agreeable location other than your mentor's office (although we encourage you to visit your mentor at his or her office on other occasions). Please contact John Litchfield at jlitchfield@lagbac.org if you have not heard from your mentor within two weeks of receiving your initial assignment or if you have other concerns.

Signature

Date