

UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS SCHOOL OF LAW
Elder Law Externship (Clinic)

Application for Fall, 2012 and Spring, 2013

Please read this carefully before applying for the Externship. By submitting an application for the Externship, you are indicating your understanding of the requirements set out below and your commitment to conform to them. Applications must be submitted to Marilyn Harp's mailbox (in the Main Office) **and email the information to mmharp@ku.edu. Students should apply by April 1. Early applications will be dealt with when received. If space is available, applications will be considered until the start of class.**

The University of Kansas Elder Law Externship provides free civil legal services to Kansas residents age 60 and over, regardless of income. Because clients are not restricted by income, and because of the wide variety of case types the Externship accepts, it approximates the general practice of law. Representative case types include planning for aging, surrogate decision-making, guardian/conservatorship, simple estate planning and probate, landlord/tenant, consumer protection, collection defense and Chapter 7 bankruptcy, Medicare, Social Security, Medicaid, Supplemental Security Income, elder abuse, and long-term care issues. This clinic will provide a student with direct contact with Kansans age 60 and over. Students will consult with clients and provide direct advice or representation to them.

You may enroll in the Elder Law Externship (LAW 901) for both the fall and spring semesters, or only one semester. The Elder Law Externship is a 3-hour course each semester.

Class meets on Wednesday morning. We won't meet every week of the semester. For the externship hours, you will be working out of the Topeka or Kansas City, KS offices of Kansas Legal Service. *Note: Students commuting from other locations in Kansas (Emporia, Manhattan, Seneca, Wichita) may be able to extern in a Legal Services office in their community.* You will be expected to arrange for your own transportation to your placement office. We intend to honor requests for assignment to a particular office as much as possible, but reserve the right to make assignments consistent with our need to manage the Externship effectively. The clinic time must be a minimum of 80 hours each semester. You must keep regular office hours in your assigned office, an average of 8 hours per week.

If you have any questions or special problems relevant to application for or enrollment in the Elder Law Externship, please don't hesitate to contact me at:

Marilyn Harp, Kansas Legal Services 785-233-2068 or mmharp@ku.edu.

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Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____ e-mail address: _____

Number of semesters you will have completed before the fall 2012 semester _____

Expected date of graduation _____ Law School GPA _____

I plan to participate in the Elder Law Externship: Both semesters Fall, 2012 Spring, 2013

Have you ever been convicted of a crime or charged with a violation of the Law School Honor Code?
If yes, please explain the circumstances:

Do you plan to earn the Elder Law Certificate? _____
Have you taken (or will be enrolled in) Introduction to Elder Law? Taken it Enrolling NO

Please briefly explain your reasons for wanting to participate in the Elder Law Clinic:

Have you or do you intend to apply for any other clinics for next semester?

If so, is the Elder Law Clinic your first choice? Second choice? Bottom of the barrel? Why?

I am most interested in an externship placement at: KLS office in KC, KLS office in Topeka, KLS office in
Wichita, KLS office in Emporia, KLS office in Manhattan I just don't know enough now to choose (circle
one)

Indicate reason for preference:

There will be another opportunity to learn about and select a site. This is just to get you thinking about the
placement and for instructor to know what the placement needs might be

Signature: _____ Date submitted: _____