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Financial Freedom for Future Attorneys

Fall 2016 Report

My name is Bria Riley and I am a second year law student at The John Marshall Law School in Chicago, Illinois. I am an executive board member for the Student Bar Association (“SBA”). My role, within the SBA, is to serve as a liaison between the American Bar Association and the student body. I inform students about upcoming American Bar Association events, discussions, career and educational opportunities, and vacant leadership roles. Students become abreast of the ways that the American Bar Association can be a helpful network for them.

In order to keep students aware of the helpful resources that the American Bar Association can provide them, I partnered with Access Group to host a panel discussion called “Financial Freedom for Future Lawyers.” This event took place on October 3, 2016. The attendance rate for the panel discussion consisted of 35 students, who all gained valuable insight, while indulging in complimentary food and drinks.

This panel discussion educated students about post-graduation loan repayment options, alternative ways to finance law school, and best practices to avoid massive amounts of law school debt. At the end of the panel discussion, students walked away with free resources and American Bar Association paraphernalia. The total cost of the event was \$580.00, which was the dinner expenses incurred for feeding the attendees. Since the American Bar Association is reimbursing the SBA with \$250.00 of the expenses, the SBA only realized \$330.00 in actual expenses from its budget.

Overall, the feedback regarding the event was extremely receptive. Students took away valuable information, regarding law school financing, which some may have never known. In fact, students are still coming by the SBA office to pick up Access Group pamphlets in order to meet with an Access Group representative to discuss their student financials. The purpose of this panel discussion was to encourage law students to begin thinking about their financial future now so they can bask in their financial freedom later. In the end, the purpose of the panel discussion was accomplished.

“Financial Freedom For Future Lawyers” Panel Discussion:



Who: American Bar Association, Access Group, Student Bar Association

What: Chat with panelists regarding your 1) financial future, 2) law school funding, 3) smart financial choices and planning, 4) and different repayment methods of law school debt.

When: Oct. 3, 2016

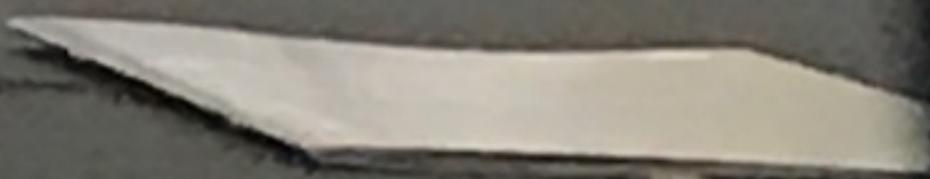
Time: 5-7pm

Where: 3 East at JMLS

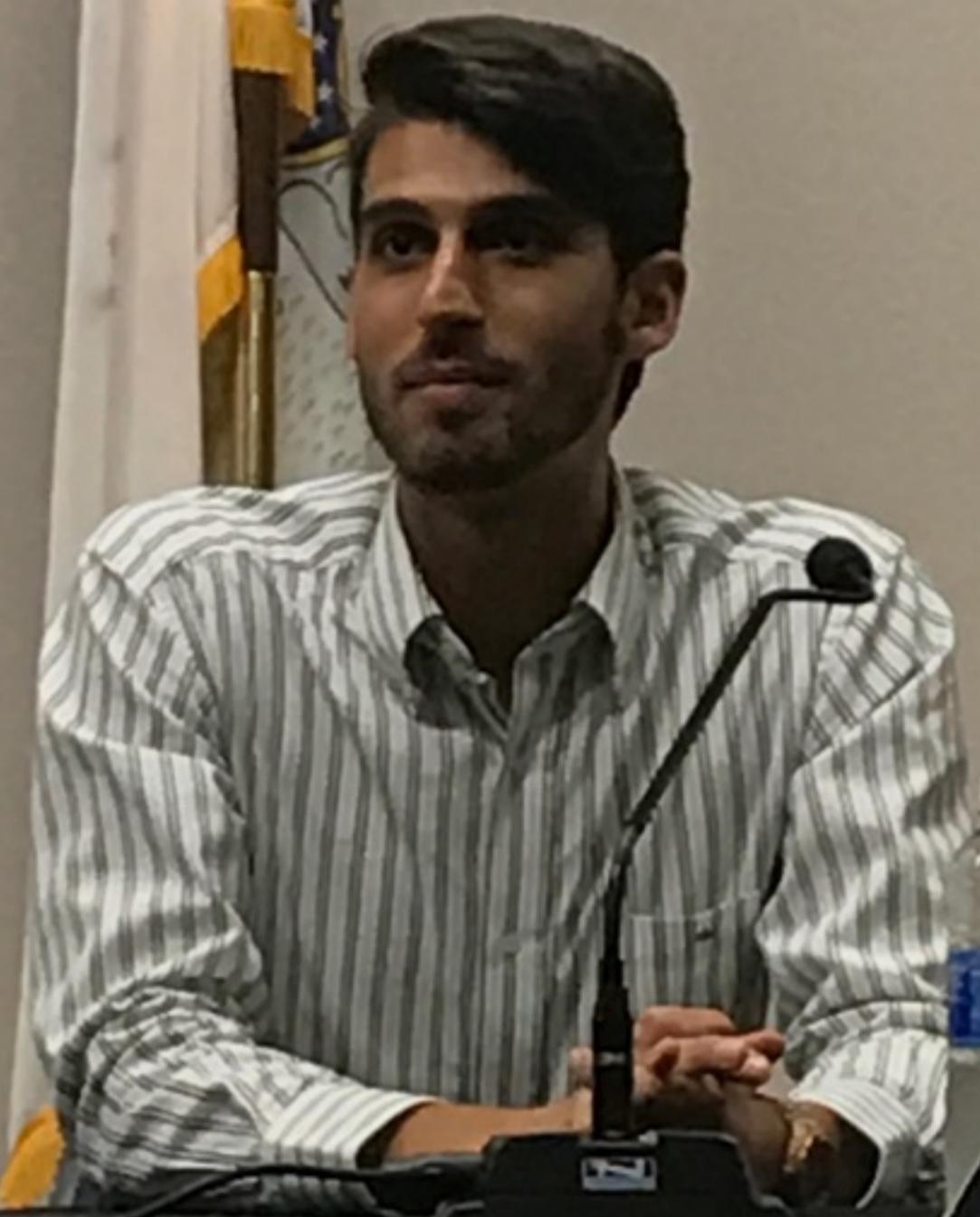
Details: Delicious food and bountiful drinks will be provided. Panel discussion begins promptly at 6pm.

RSVP TODAY at

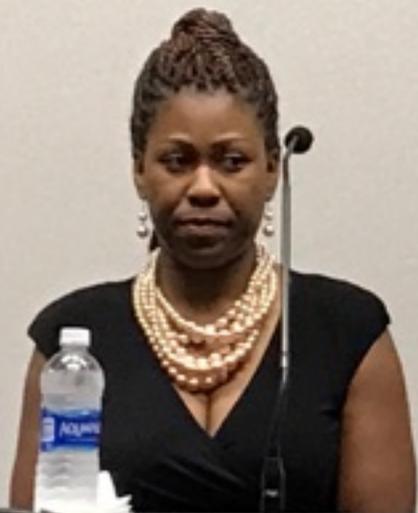
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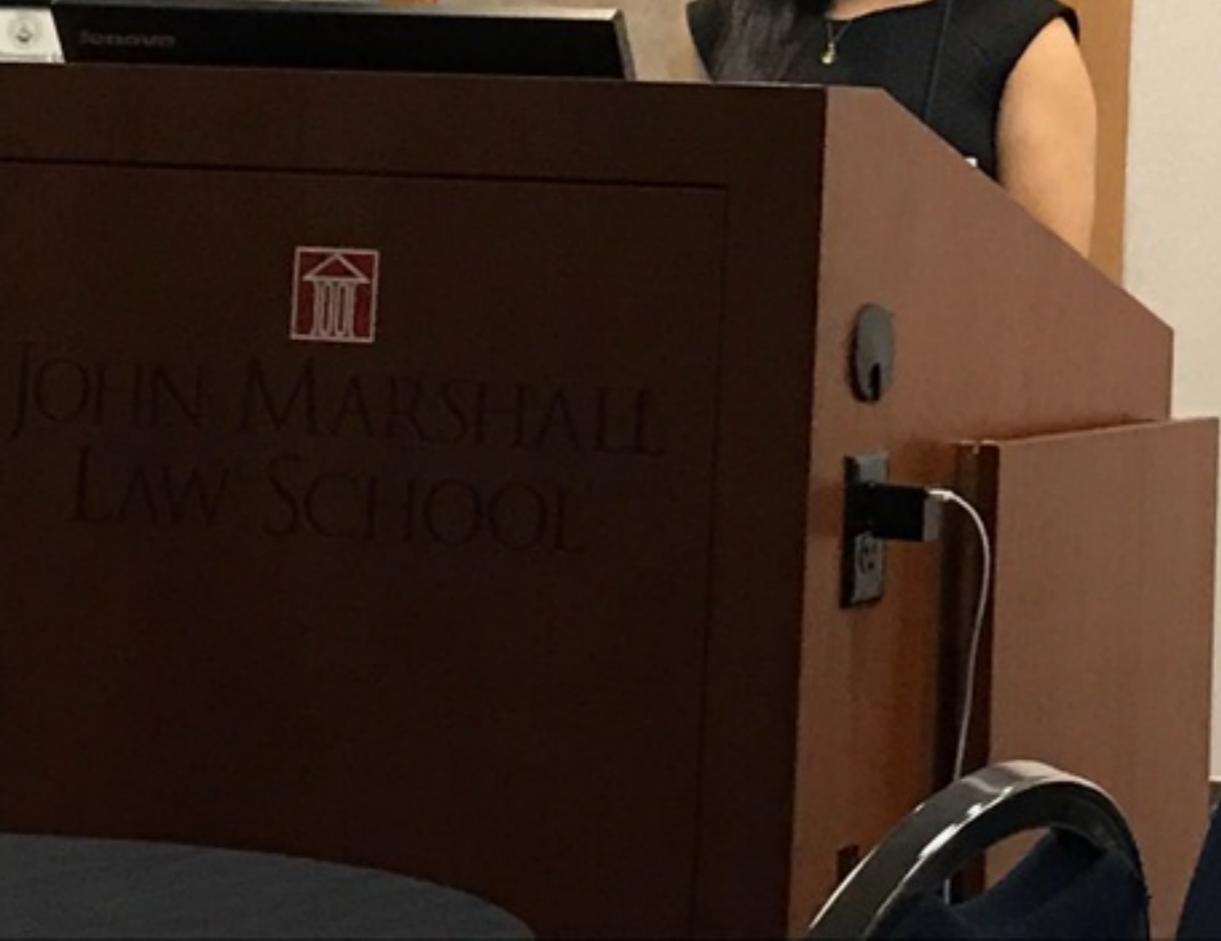
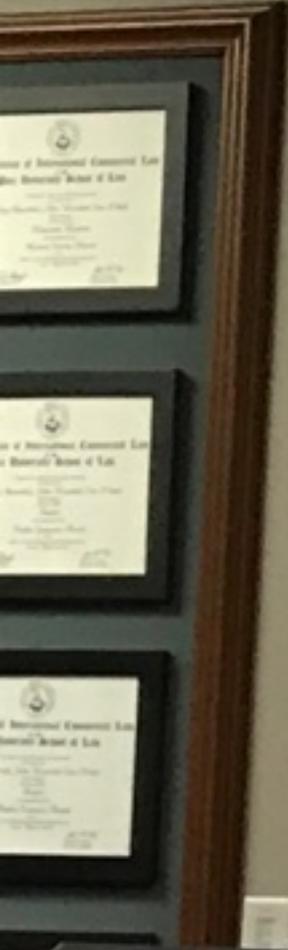


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