

MEMORANDUM

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TO: Previous PILS Auction Contributors, Alumni, and Friends of the College of Law

FROM: Greg Anderson
Director of Career Opportunities and Development
Trisha Chokshi, Class of 2012 & William Obuchowski, Class of 2013
PILS Auction Co-Chairs

RE: 17th Annual Public Interest Law Society Auction

Mark your calendar! We are pleased to announce the 17th Annual Public Interest Law Society Auction has been scheduled for the evening of Friday, March 30, 2012. It will be held in the Thurgood Marshall Gallery and the David Shapiro Memorial Library of the law school.

The PILS Auction is a student-run event that raises money for summer volunteer opportunities for innovative, enthusiastic, and dedicated students of the NIU College of Law who work in public interest legal positions, assisting individuals who cannot afford legal services through conventional methods. All sides benefit: our students receive valuable legal experience while clients receive legal assistance they desperately need.

We begin the event with a silent auction and then take hotly contested items to a live auction! Food and drink are provided during the festivities. We strongly encourage you to contribute to this great cause and help provide NIU College of Law students an opportunity to pursue their goal of working in the public interest.

Your support can be shown by participating in any of the following ways: contributing items to be auctioned, contributing cash toward a larger item to be purchased or directly to the PILS Outreach Assistantship Fund, or taking out an ad in our auction program.

Some of the items generously contributed last year include:

- **4-Hour Lake Michigan & Chicago River Cruise** (*contributed by Matt & Tom Panichi*)
- **Apple TV** (*contributed by Phi Alpha Delta Law Fraternity*)
- **Nintendo Wii & Wii Fit** (*contributed by Mark and Priscilla Heistad*)
- **Wine Tasting for as many as 100 People** (*contributed by Choice Wine & Spirits*)
- **VIP Night in Chicago for 8-10 People** (*contributed by Wingman Productions & Carmen Rossi*)
- **White Sox Box Seats, 4 Passes to Stadium Club, & Parking** (*contributed by Mitchell, Vaught & Taylor, Inc.*)
- **Callaway Fusion Technology Golf Bag and ISBA Coolfit golf shirt** (*contributed by Riley Onken*)
- **Two Guest Passes to the East Bank Club and \$50 gift card to Maxwell's** (*contributed by the East Bank Club*)

Any contribution you make will be greatly appreciated. Please let us know as soon as possible:

- what you can contribute to the PILS Auction
- a description of the item
- an approximate value of the item
- how the successful bidder can claim the item (if the item cannot be made available for pick-up at the auction)

Northern Illinois University's FEIN is 36-6086819. Please consult your tax advisor in regards to the potential tax implications related to your donation.

You may contact us by phone at (815) 753-0589, by fax at (815) 753-4501, or by e-mail at niupilsauction@gmail.com. For additional information about PILS or the PILS Auction please visit http://www.niu.edu/law/calendar/events/PILS_auction.shtml.

Please help us to reach our goal of continuing to provide funds for summer volunteer opportunities for work in public interest law. Included are the forms to be completed for auction donations and for auction program advertisements. Thank you on behalf of the College of Law and the students and alumni who work in the public interest. We look forward to seeing you at the auction!

Sincerely,

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