

Resources on the Graduate Certified Legal Intern (CLI) Process for Florida Law School Graduates.

The Florida Certified Legal Intern (CLI) Program for law students, outlined in [Chapter 11 of the Rules Regulating the Florida Bar](#), also applies to law school graduates who have participated in a law school Clinic as a Certified Legal Intern. Below you will find resources to help guide you through this process.

1. Who may participate as a Graduate CLI?

[Rule 11-1.9](#) provides an overview of who may serve as a Graduate CLI. If you participated in a Clinic at Stetson, please work directly with the Office of Clinical and Experiential Education.

Note: If the graduate participated in a Clinic that operated under Florida law, the Office of Clinical and Experiential Education filed a certification (along with the graduate's Notice of Registrant Clearance) to the Florida Supreme Court on the graduate's behalf. If the graduate participated in a Clinic that operated under federal law, such as our Veteran's Advocacy Clinic, or the Immigration Clinic with Gulfcoast Legal Services, the certification was not a requirement for the graduate to participate in that Clinic and no certification was filed on the graduate's behalf. Questions should be directed to clinicaled@law.stetson.edu. A video detailing the CLI process is available [here](#).

2. What agencies/placements can hire me to serve as a Graduate CLI?

Rules [11-1.7 \(b\)](#) and [11-1.2 \(d\)](#) outline who can be hired a Graduate CLI. A list of approved legal aid organizations from the Florida Supreme Court is copied below.

3. What does the Sponsoring Agency need to do to hire a Stetson Law Graduate CLI?

[The Florida Supreme Court Certified Legal Intern website](#) provides an overview of these requirements. Stetson can assist with the required documents as follows:

- a. **Dean's Certificate.** The Dean's Certificate demonstrates that the graduate has completed a law school practice program, graduated from the school (and on what date), and is of good character. Below are two ways to generate this form:
 - i. Sponsoring Agencies can use an electronic form to generate a Stetson Law Dean Certificate on behalf of a Stetson Law Graduate found [HERE](#) or
 - ii. E-mail the Office of Clinical and Experiential Learning at clinicaled@law.stetson.edu and cc: rwhoyle@law.stetson.edu
- b. **A Graduate Agency Request.** The Supervising Agency must submit a letter on the Agency's Letterhead and it must be: (1) signed by the supervising attorney and (2) include the e-mail addresses for the agency head and the supervising attorney so that the certification can be emailed to them when approved. The Florida Supreme Court has prepared a form template and it is available here: [2020 Graduate Agency Request](#).

- c. A copy of the Graduate's **Florida Board of Bar Examiners' clearance certificate**. This is the 2-page letter (sometimes called the Notice of Registrant Clearance) showing the graduate has been cleared for character and fitness by the Florida Bar. Graduates may be able to obtain a copy of their letter by contacting clinicaled@law.stetson.edu

4. How long does the approval process take?

For information on how the Florida Supreme Court processes these requests, please review the [Florida Supreme Court January 15, 2020 Letter on Graduate CLI Program](#).

It is best that graduates understand this process, and work with the Sponsoring Agency/employer to submit the required documents as soon as possible after you have completed your legal studies. All requests for Dean's Certification should go through the Office of Clinical and Experiential Education who will work to expedite Dean's Certificate referenced in Question 3 (a) above.

5. How long can I serve as a Graduate CLI?

See Rules [11-1.9 \(a\) \(1\)](#) and [Rule 11-1.9 \(c\)](#)

6. What if the Graduate or Supervising Agency has additional questions?

Stetson Law stands ready to assist Supervising Agencies and graduates with the Graduate CLI process. Please do not hesitate to contact Ryan Hoyle in the Office of Clinical and Experiential Education at rwhoyle@law.stetson.edu (copy clinicaled@law.stetson.edu) with any questions.

If you did not participate in a Clinic and you have questions or need assistance in navigating these conversations with employers, please connect with the Office of Career and Professional Development at career@law.stetson.edu

Additional Resources:

- [Florida Supreme Court January 15, 2020 Letter on Graduate CLI Program](#).
- [Florida Supreme Court Certified Legal Intern Program Website](#)
- [Florida Board of Bar Examiners](#)

APPROVED LEGAL AID OFFICES NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS

Advocacy Center for Persons with
Disabilities, Inc. n/k/a Disability Rights
Florida (05-23-11)
2728 Centerview Drive, Suite 102
Tallahassee, Florida 32301

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American Civil Liberties Union
Foundation Of Florida, Inc.
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Bay Area Legal Services, Inc.
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Dade City, Florida 33525
Tampa, New Port Richey
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Rockledge, Florida 32955
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Central Florida Legal Services, Inc.
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Child Welfare Legal Services
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Plantation, FL 33317
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Director – Barbara J. Prager

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Chapter 11

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Community Lawyers, Inc.
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Miami, Florida 33142

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Counties: Brevard, Citrus, Sumter, Flagler, Putnam, Hernando, Lake, Marion, Orange, Osceola, Seminole and Volusia)
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Miami, Florida 33133
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Department of Health and
Rehabilitative Services
1323 Winewood Boulevard
Building One, Suite 407
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0700

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American's for Immigrant Justice f/k/a
Florida Immigrant Advocacy
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RFL advised 09/21/2005

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See Website for Offices for Placement

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Haitian Refugee Center, Inc.
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Hillsborough County, Inc.

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FAMU Homelessness & Legal Advocacy Clinic
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FAMU Housing Law Clinic
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Effective 08/16/2005

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