2018-2019 PUBLIC INTEREST ASSOCIATES PROGRAM

OVERVIEW
The Public Interest Associates Program provides programmatic support to third-year Stanford Law School students who are committed to pursuing careers in public service later in their careers after an initial stint in the private sector. Students who intend to start their careers immediately in public service after graduation or after a judicial clerkship should register for our Public Interest Fellows program.

The Associates Program exists to support a cohort of students seeking to remain engaged in public service while planning to start their careers in the private sector. Levin Center staff will provide targeted workshops on how to transition out of firms, how to choose firms with strong pro bono service cultures, and other specialized programs for this cohort. The Associates also serve in leadership roles within the public interest community at Stanford Law School.

SELECTION CRITERIA
All rising third-year law students who meet the following criteria can become Public Interest Associates for the 2018-2019 Academic Year:

- Held a leadership role in the public interest community by 1) serving as a 2L Public Interest Mentor in the public interest mentoring program; 2) leading one of the social justice reading groups; or 3) coordinating one of the Levin Center’s pro bono projects, including Alternative Spring Breaks;
- Contributed at least 25 hours of pro bono service by Spring quarter of 2L year;
- Intends to return to public service within the first five years after graduation; and
- Willingly accepts the responsibilities set forth below.

RESPONSIBILITIES
Those selected as Public Interest Associates will work with the Levin Center in developing its various initiatives. The obligations of Public Interest Associates include the following:

- Attend at least two of the three major Levin Center events (the Fall welcome reception, Fall Awards Dinner, and end of year Spring reception) AND organize at least one additional Levin Center event (e.g., organize a panel about the OCI experience for public interest students);
- Serve as a mentor in the first-year mentoring program, which requires coordinating group meetings and meeting with your mentees at least twice each quarter;
- Participate in quarterly meetings with Levin Center staff during the academic year;
- Assist Admissions in recruiting prospective students by being available via email to prospective students (especially admitted students during Winter and Spring);
- Serve on one committee (options to be determined based on student interest).