

**Measuring Employment Success:
ABA Reporting and the U.S. News Effect**

December 4, 2017

Agenda

1:30-1:35 Brief Welcome for All Sites

Laura Rosenbury (Dean, UF Law) and Bo Rutledge (Dean, Georgia Law)

1:35-2:30 Joint Session – The 2018 ABA Employment Summary Proposal: Contours, Goals and Concerns

This session will discuss the existing Employment Summary Proposal before the Council of the Section of Legal Education and Admissions to the Bar of the ABA and its potential impact on law schools and the legal profession. Barry Currier (Managing Director, ABA Section on Legal Education and Admissions to the Bar) will begin by discussing the impetus behind the proposed changes and what those changes are designed to achieve. Suzanne Endrizzi (Assistant Dean of Career Services, Fordham Law), Jim Leipold (Executive Director, NALP), and Kelly Voight (Assistant Dean of Career Development, Yale Law) will briefly provide their views about various aspects of the proposal. Laura Rosenbury will then facilitate a broader conversation with attendees at all locations.

2:30-3:15 Breakout Sessions at Each Site

Each site will be assigned a question focused on the best ways to report various types of employment outcomes, including university-funded jobs, jobs at law firms of various sizes, JD Advantage jobs, part-time jobs, clerkships with deferred start dates, and enrollment in LLM and PhD programs. Participants will also consider how the ABA Employment Summary might best reflect class size and measure job quality.

3:15-3:30 Break

3:30-4:30 Joint Session – The U.S. News Effect

Each group from the earlier breakout sessions will have five minutes to present the key points of their discussion. Ben Barros (Dean, Toledo Law) will then facilitate a broader conversation with attendees at all locations.

4:30-5:00 Breakout Sessions at Each Site

Based on the previous joint session, each site will develop one proposal to improve the ABA's approach to the Employment Summary.

5:00-5:30 Joint Session – Next Steps

Each group will have one minute to present their proposal. Bo Rutledge and Laura Rosenbury will compile the proposals and briefly discuss plans to continue the conversation with deans at the AALS meeting in January.