

WELCOME FOR THE 2005 AALS LAW CLINIC DIRECTORS WORKSHOP

This year's Clinic Directors Workshop will address two quite different issues that occupy the attention of clinic directors: management and finances.

A clinic director's managerial role is unusual in that, for the most part, the director is "first among equals", having little or no authority to hire, fire, discipline, or promote her or his fellow clinicians. Typically, a clinical teacher enjoys the clinical equivalent of job security and academic freedom. How can a clinic director manage a clinical program with so little actual authority over personnel and programmatic issues?

The morning session of the Workshop will address challenges facing clinic directors in managing law school clinics without actual managerial authority.

The afternoon session of the Workshop will focus on an issue that has concerned clinic directors since the beginning of the modern era of clinical legal education in the late 1960's – the financing of clinical programs. Initial funding for many clinical programs was provided by the Ford Foundation through its grantee, the Council on Legal Education for Professional Responsibility (CLEPR). William Pincus, a former Ford Foundation Vice-President, who created and served as CEO of CLEPR, provided clinical program start-up grants to law schools, with the provision that recipient schools would commit to securing alternative funding after those start-up funds were expended.

Subsequently, CLEPR provided additional grants to law schools to start new programs, to expand existing programs, or for other special purposes, but it did not provide continuing financial support for existing programs.

The challenge for clinical programs since the CLEPR era (basically, the 1970's) has been to find alternative sources of funds to support their educational and legal services work. Increasingly, the financing of clinical programs has moved from "soft money" (foundation and government grants, contributions, court-awarded attorney's fees) to "hard money" (absorption into law school budgets). Nevertheless, the burden of fundraising for clinical programs has continued to fall, to a significant degree, on clinic directors.

The afternoon session of the Workshop will include presentations and discussion about fundraising for clinics.

It is our hope that clinic directors will come away from the Workshop with useful information and helpful ideas about managing and fundraising for the programs that they direct.

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