

LUTHER BOHANON AMERICAN INN OF COURT

TO: 2022-2023 Third Year Law Students

FROM: Professor Ted Roberts, Professor David Swank, and Assistant Dean Laura Palk

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Applications are now being accepted for student membership in the Luther Bohanon American Inn of Court. **The final deadline for applying is APRIL 15, 2022, but you may submit your application at any time before that date.** Twelve third year students, who will graduate in May or August of 2023, will be selected as student members of the Luther Bohanon Inn of Court for the 2022-2023 academic year.

The American Inns of Court are dedicated to promoting the continued involvement of judges and trial and appellate advocates in developing the skills of ethics and professionalism in the legal profession. The first of the American Inns of Court was established in 1980 at Brigham Young University Law School. Since then over 350 Inns have been established throughout the United States. The Luther Bohanon Inn of Court was the first Oklahoma chapter. It was chartered in 1986. The Bohanon Inn was formed so that University of Oklahoma College of Law students could meet and work with judges and experienced litigators in the Oklahoma City area. Unlike the other Inns, the law student members of the Bohanon Inn are selected **ONLY FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA LAW STUDENT BODY.**

Some of the members and emeritus members of the Bohanon Inn are our former Assistant Dean Scott Palk who is now a United States District Judge for the Western District of Oklahoma and Judge Timothy DeGiusti, Judge Wayne Alley, Judge Ralph G. Thompson, Judge Robin Cauthron, all of whom are or have served as Judges for the United States District Court for the Western District of Oklahoma; Oklahoma Court of Appeals Judges Thomas E. Prince and Barbara G. Swinton; Oklahoma State District Court Judges, Bryan C. Dixon, Richard Ogden, Rod Ring, and Susan Stallings and outstanding Oklahoma City Attorneys including James Gibbs, Michael Carter, David Donchin, Eric Eissenstat, Drew Neville and Clyde Muchmore, the past Presidents of the OBA, David Poarch and Garvin Isaacs.

The students selected for membership in the Inn will have the opportunity to work with outstanding judges and litigators from the Oklahoma City area. Six meetings will be held beginning in October 2022 and continuing to April 2023. The meetings of the Inn will be held in various locations in the Oklahoma City area or by Zoom. At each of our monthly meetings, programs will be put on by the judges, attorneys and students followed by a discussion concerning the presentation. Also, at each of our in person monthly meetings we have a dinner so that the judges, lawyers and students have the opportunity for more informal conversations. In person meetings are usually in one of the courtrooms of the Federal Court, or the Oklahoma County District Court. Meetings may also be held at the Oklahoma Bar Center. **THERE IS NO CHARGE FOR STUDENT MEMBERS. MEALS ARE FREE.**

If you are interested in becoming a member of the Luther Bohanon American Inn of Court, an application is attached. Please be as detailed as possible when you complete the application form. The Selection Committee considers the applicant's interest and commitment to a career in trial and appellate advocacy, **HOWEVER, A SPECIFIC INTEREST IN TRIAL OR APPELLATE ADVOCACY IS NOT REQUIRED AS ALL UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA LAW STUDENTS WHO WILL BE THIRD YEAR STUDENTS NEXT YEAR ARE INVITED TO APPLY.**

THE APPLICATIONS MUST BE COMPLETED AND RETURNED TO THE RECEPTIONIST IN THE DEAN'S OFFICE BY FRIDAY, APRIL 15, 2022.

Selections will be made by the Executive Committee and notification will be sent to each of the students selected. Please contact any one of the three of us if you have any questions.

***Attached is the Application form for the 2022-2023 year.**

LUTHER BOHANON AMERICAN INN OF COURT APPLICATION

NAME: _____ Email: _____

ADDRESS (HOME): _____

ADDRESS (OFFICE): _____

PHONE (HOME OR CELL): _____ (OFFICE): _____

College of Law

Hours to be completed as of the end of summer school 2022: _____

No specific courses are required to have been completed or to be enrolled in for membership in the Bohanon Inn.

List of courses you plan to enroll in during Fall 2022:

Anticipated courses for Spring 2023:

Please designate if you have completed the following courses. If you check YES, please note the semester you completed the course.

	YES	NO	SEMESTER COMPLETED
Civil Procedure I	[]	[]	
Civil Procedure II	[]	[]	
Evidence	[]	[]	
Professional Responsibility	[]	[]	
Trial Techniques	[]	[]	
Practice Court	[]	[]	
Legal Aid Clinic	[]	[]	
Legal Externship	[]	[]	
Counseling & Interviewing	[]	[]	
Judicial Externship	[]	[]	
Prisoners Rights Clinic	[]	[]	
Evidence Seminar	[]	[]	

List other courses related to litigation, and the semester those courses were completed

COURSE NAME	SEMESTER COMPLETED

Please list the trial and moot court competitions you have participated in or tried out for at the College of Law. State if you were selected as a member of the team, and your placement in any competition. Please include intra college competition.

COMPETITION and PLACEMENT	DATE(S)
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

Other Forensic Experience (Undergraduate)

TYPE	DATE(S)
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

List all of your law related employment service. If additional space is needed, list on attached sheets.

Name of Employer: _____

Dates of Employment: _____

Hours Worked Per Week (Average): _____

Immediate Supervisor: _____

Description of Work: _____

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On a separate sheet, please state why you wish to participate in the American Inn of Court Program. Your response must be typed, single spaced, using no more than one (1) letter sized page, with normal margins.