



BPILP Homepage

Buffalo Public Interest Law Program

University at Buffalo School of Law

"There is No Justice Without Equal Access"



To Whom It May Concern:

The Buffalo Public Interest Law Program ("BPILP") is a student-run nonprofit organization within the University at Buffalo School of Law dedicated to raising funds for law students pursuing careers in the public interest. Many public interest employers, including nonprofits, legal service agencies, and governmental entities, are understaffed and underfunded, leaving them unable to provide paid internship opportunities to students. To help alleviate the financial burden for law students pursuing these essential roles, BPILP hosts annual fundraising events to sponsor a set of fellowships awarded at the end of each academic year. Without these fellowships, many students would financially be unable to accept these positions, and individuals in our community might be delayed or go without critical legal assistance.

Over the years, the legal community across Western New York has generously supported BPILP through donations for our Annual Social & Live Auction, which will be held this year from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. on Friday, February 20, 2026 at Pearl Street Grill & Brewery in Buffalo. The Auction is widely promoted across the University and the local legal community, attracting approximately 150 attendees including attorneys, law student, professors, and their families.

We invite you to come join us for this year's Auction and to consider donating auction items or supporting the event as a Sponsor. Sponsors will receive visual recognition on event posters, communication and promotional materials, and acknowledgment during the Auction program. All sponsorship packages include tickets to the Auction.

Since the event will feature a full bar, with drink tickets included with the ticket purchase, we are hoping to name cocktails after sponsors at the Platinum level. The event's cocktail menu will showcase these signature drinks, complete with the sponsor's chosen name and ingredients. If you've always wanted to order a "[your name], on the rocks," now is your chance to do just that for a great cause! Should this particular opportunity not appeal to you, we would be delighted to explore alternative recognition options for our Platinum Sponsors. **For information on sponsorship levels and how to become a Sponsor, please see the form on the reverse side of this letter.**

Please consider our invitation to join us in supporting this important cause. We are thrilled at the prospect of welcoming you to the Auction and deeply grateful for your contribution toward helping law students pursue much-needed public interest positions. Your support directly empowers future attorneys to serve our community.

Sincerely,
The BPILP Executive Board
law-bpilp@buffalo.edu

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SPONSORSHIP REQUEST FORM

SPONSORSHIP LEVELS

Advocate – \$100

Includes 1 ticket (\$70 value)

Bronze – \$300

Includes 2 tickets (\$140 value)

Silver – \$500

Includes 4 tickets (\$280 value)

Gold – \$800

Includes 6 tickets (\$560 value)

Platinum – \$1000

Includes 8 tickets (\$700 value)

****Drink naming opportunity for first two sponsors at this level.**

INSTRUCTIONS TO BECOME A SPONSOR

1. Mail or deliver this Completed Sponsorship Request Form and check in the requisite amount to: Buffalo Public Interest Law Program, c/o Michael Hilburger, 315 O’Brian Hall, Buffalo, NY 14260-1100. The Sponsorship Request Form may also be emailed to law-bpilp@buffalo.edu. Checks can be made payable to “Buffalo Public Interest Law Program.”
2. Email law-bpilp@buffalo.edu with the following information:
 - a. Confirmation that this form/your check are in the mail (so we know to be on the lookout!);
 - b. A high-resolution version of any corporate or organizational logo you would like us to use;
 - c. A completed Sponsorship Request Form (if not mailed); and
 - d. Any questions or concerns you have for us.
3. Please kindly submit any sponsorship request by January 5th, 2026.

****NOTE:** The above-mentioned tickets are included with the purchase of a sponsorship. There is no need to purchase these tickets separately. Tickets are not refundable.

SPONSOR INFORMATION

Name of Sponsor Organization (if applicable):	
Name of Sponsor (or Organizational Point of Contact):	
Phone Number:	
Email Address:	
Do you have a logo you would like to display? If yes, please email to law-bpilp@buffalo.edu.	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
Names of those attending the Auction as part of the sponsorship (if known):	
Additional Comments:	

Desired Sponsorship Level (Check One)

Advocate

Bronze

Silver

Gold

Platinum