Law 1101/Introduction to Paralegal Studies/Coughlin/Spring 2023

**Assignment:** Where do you want to work?! *Law office post!* 

- Counts toward "Homework & other assignments," graded 0-3!
- Due on our course OpenLab site 8am Thursday, Feb. 9, 2023!

The purpose of this assignment is to gain awareness of the wide variety of legal employment opportunities, and to begin considering types of law offices in which you might like to work! It also contributes to the Resume and Cover Letter assignment that is an important part of our course.

Gen Ed Student Learning Outcome: Skills—gather information from observation.

Course-Specific Learning Outcome: Awareness of paralegal employment opportunities.

Task: Select a law office in NYC where you might like to work! You could choose a private law firm (like Constantine Cannon LLP) or a government agency (like a District Attorney's office) or a non-profit legal services provider (like Legal Aid Society) or a public interest advocacy organization (like American Civil Liberties Union) or any other type of employer discussed in textbook ch. 2, pp. 21-25. The office could be one you already know (like if you or someone you know works there) or you can find one through the Internet by searching for "New York City" plus an area of law or type of office that interests you, like "immigration," "family law," "criminal defense," "civil rights," "black-owned firm," "district attorney," "legal aid," etc. If you want help identifying an office, I'll be happy to help you! NOTE!! For the Resume and Cover Letter assignment, you will (hypothetically) "apply" to this law office!

By 8am on Thursday, February 9, please write a post on OpenLab identifying the office you have chosen! Please include the full name and address (which you'll need for the Cover Letter assignment) plus a few sentences describing the office, from what you can tell from its website or other sources (which you must identify!). In your description, please include the type of law office it is (like small or large firm, or government, or legal aid, etc.—see ch. 2 pp. 21-25), the kind of work it does (such as immigration, or criminal defense, or employment law, etc.), and why you might like to work there. If the office has a website, try to include a link—instructions on how to include links in your post are in the "How to Join" and "How to Post" instructions you received in class, and posted on OpenLab in the "Class notes & materials" tab! The category for your post is "Law office!" We will discuss some of your posts in class on February 9! (That's why I want them so early in the morning. ©)

Happy hunting!