Mentorship Program Guideline

Your personal involvement is what makes this program invaluable for future, up-and-coming attorneys. Your talent, dedication, and perspective will have a powerful effect on your mentorship pairing.

- **Investment of Time:** The Mentor-Mentee relationship should begin when the match is made. Ideally, Mentors and Mentees will have a relationship that grows throughout the student’s entire law school career, including the year after graduation, as the student launches his/her career.

- **Trust:** Both the Mentor and Mentee will commit to a relationship that is confidential, candid, mutually respectful, productive, and in the best interests of the Mentee.

- **Consistent Communication and Contact:** All Mentors and Mentees will make every effort to meet with their pairing at least two times per semester (either in person or via phone or video chat). All Mentors and Mentees should respond to communications in a timely manner.

- **Inclusive Communication:** Mentors and Mentees will commit to asking questions of each other and avoiding assumptions, stereotypes, and other barriers to building solid mentoring relationships.

- **A Plan for Success:** Mentees should make the initial outreach to Mentors. The first meeting between Mentors and Mentees should include a discussion of what the pairing would like to get out of the relationship, the meeting structure/frequency, and communication preference that will work effectively for their specific schedules.

- **Supportive Relationships:** Mentors will guide their Mentees to achieve the goals that the Mentees set for themselves.

I acknowledge and agree to this Mentorship Program Guideline to be a participant of the Northwestern Pritzker School of Law Mentorship Program.