Below, please find information about the JD Career Advisor section’s activities since our last report, including section communication and updates from work groups.

Section Communication
On September 20, 2017, the Section held a quarterly conference call. We had a report from Janet Hutcheson, our NALP Board Liaison, regarding the board passing a balanced budget and introducing the new NALP Director Public Service Initiatives, Sam Halpert. Janet also encouraged members to begin considering their interest in serving in NALP leadership roles in anticipation of nominations being open soon.

We discussed upcoming NALP activities, including the Summit on Emerging Legal Careers.

We also heard from each of the work groups, including an update on the work Lisa Key, University of Missouri School of Law, and Lisa Terrasi, Harvard Law School, have done to move forward the Student and Employer Contact Management Technology Work Group’s efforts to develop deliverable for JD Advisors member to make technology resource purchase decisions.

We formally introduced Alisa Benedict O’Brien from the University of Akron School of Law, and Maria Comas from Duquesne University School of Law as the new co-chairs of the Small and Solo CSO Work Group, and thanked Leah Terranova, University of Kansas School of Law, for her work with the Work Group for the past few years. Leah is leaving at the end of this calendar year, as her spouse is taking a sabbatical year in New Zealand.

Finally, we thanked the submitters of the 22 AEC program RFPs and recognized those that were accepted, as well as formally recognized our accepted Bulletin Article authors for this year:

- September issue - column length article up to 750 words by Samantha Coyne on preparing students for events.
- October issue - feature article (up to 1200 words) by Kourtney James Perry on how to create an employer outreach strategy for emerging legal careers.
- November issue - feature article (up to 1200 words) by Paula Gluzman on things advisors can do to help students take initiative in their career and professional development.
- December issue - column-length article (up to 750 words) by Sara Dana on streamlining written communications to students (or possibly on working with transfer students).
- February issue - column-length article (up to 750 words) by Laura Clemens on wearing two hats (academic advising 101 for counselors).
- March issue - column-length article (up to 750 words) by Korey Henson on counseling students who are trailing spouses.
- April issue - column length article (up to 750 words) by Tony Waller and Greg Miarecki on bar passage improvement efforts.