

THOMAS R. KLINE SCHOOL OF LAW OF DUQUESNE UNIVERSITY

## **KLINE CENTER FELLOWS PROGRAM**

The Thomas R. Kline Center for Judicial Education is seeking to appoint up to six (6) upper-level students (Day or Evening Division, 2L, 3L, 3E, 4E) as *Kline Center Fellows* through the competitive application process detailed below.

Selected *Kline Center Fellows* will be provided with a curated series of enrichment opportunities for approximately one hour a week during the Fall and Spring Semesters. *Kline Center Fellows* will participate in and assist with a small number of Kline Center events hosted during the academic year, including the Distinguished Speaker Series Event in the Fall Semester. *Kline Center Fellows* will also attend specially-scheduled events throughout the year, ranging from discussion sessions with Thomas R. Kline and the Kline Center Jurist-in-Residence Chief Justice Emeritus Thomas Saylor, to lunches with select alumni, to lectures on judicially-related topics. *Kline Center Fellows* will be required to complete a small individual capstone project in the Spring Semester, consisting of proposal and related 15-minute presentation. Successful *Kline Center Fellows* will be presented with special recognition at the end of the year. **Note that we are requesting academic credit for fellows (1 credit per semester), but approval is pending**.

## **SELECTION PROCESS**

The Selection Process will consist of two rounds:

## (1) First Round – Application

To apply to be a *Kline Center Fellow*, interested upper-level students should submit the following four (4) items to the Kline Center *via email* (klinecenter@duq.edu) by the deadline of 11:59 p.m. on Wednesday, August 21, 2024:

- 1. A cover letter applying to be a *Kline Center Fellow*, with specific attention given to the applicant's interest in and connection with judicially-related topics and/or judicial clerkships;
- 2. A resume;
- 3. A 3 to 4-page writing sample (this may be an excerpt of a longer document, provided a paragraph of context is also included before the excerpt begins);
- 4. A 3-minute video explaining the applicant's interest in and aptitude for becoming a Kline Center Fellow.

## (2) Second Round - Interview

Prof. Erin Karsman, Kline Center Director, in consultation with Jurist–in–Residence Chief Justice Emeritus Saylor, will review the application materials and invite selected candidates to attend an interview during the week of August 26–30, 2024. Successful *Kline Center Fellows* will be notified of their selection *via email* on or before September 6, 2024.

