

Different Starting Lines

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The bars on each photo highlight the proportion of time alums have spent in the different practice settings of their careers.

What inspires you?

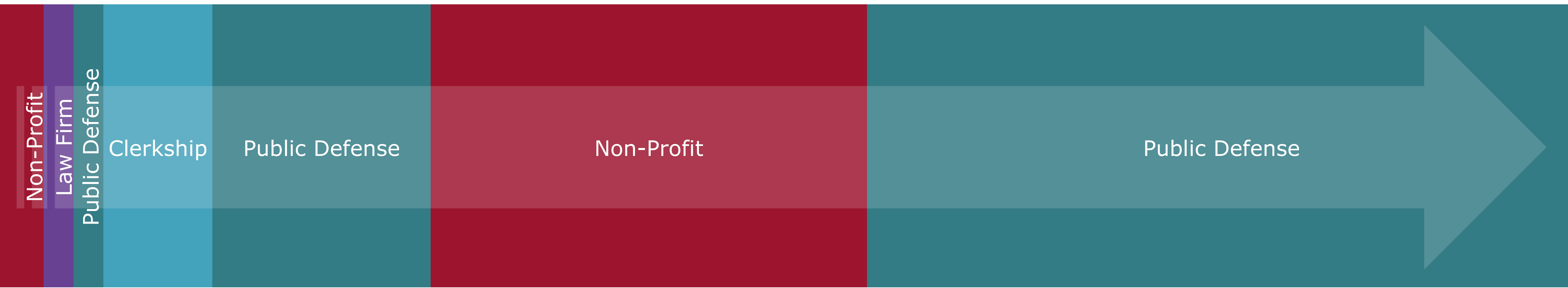
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Kristen Nelson '04

Lead Deputy State
Public Defender,
Complex
Litigation Team,
Office of the
Colorado State
Public Defender

Kristen’s Career Path...



- **First Post-Grad Job:** Staff Attorney, Public Defender Service for the District of Columbia, Trial Division
- **Other Post-Grad Jobs:** Staff Attorney, Equal Justice Initiative
- **Clerkship:** Clerk, US District Judge Myron Thompson, Middle District of Alabama
- **Summer Jobs:** Southern Center for Human Rights; Jenner & Block; Public Defender Service for the District of Columbia

Neha Sheth '10

Attorney
Adviser, US
Department
of State,
Office of the
Legal Adviser,
International
Environmental
and Scientific
Affairs, Office
of Oceans



Neha's Career Path...

Non-Profit

Government

- **First Post-Grad Job:** Attorney Adviser in the Office of International Claims and Investment Disputes, US Department of State, Office of the Legal Adviser
- **Other Post-Grad Jobs:** Attorney Adviser in the Office of Human Rights and Refugees, US Department of State, Office of the Legal Adviser
- **Summer Jobs:** Asociación por los Derechos Civiles; Center for Justice and International Law; US Department of State, Office of the Legal Adviser



Lillian Langford '13

Legal Adviser,
War Crimes
and
Transitional
Justice,
Organization
for Security and
Cooperation in
Europe

Lillian's Career Path...



- **First Post-Grad Job:** Legal Fellow, Soros Foundation Kyrgyzstan
- **Other Post-Grad Jobs:** Fulbright Researcher and Lecturer in Law, American University of Central Asia, Tian Shan Policy Center; Legal Consultant, UN Development Programme; Legal Officer, Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe, War Crimes Capacity Building Project
- **Summer Jobs:** UN Assistance to the Khmer Rouge Trials, Office of the Co-Prosecutor; Eurasia Foundation of Central Asia, Equal Before the Law: Access to Justice in Central Asia Project

Adam Neufeld '04

Deputy
Administrator,
US General
Services
Administration



Adam's Career Path...



- **First Post-Grad Job:** Attorney, US Department of Labor
- **Other Post-Grad Jobs:** Counsel, Federal Election Commission; Senior Associate, McKinsey & Company; Senior Advisor, US Office of Management and Budget; Chief of Staff, US General Services Administration
- **Summer Jobs:** Brennan Center for Justice; DOJ Civil Rights Division, Employment Litigation Section



Sara Zampierin '11

Senior Staff
Attorney,
Southern
Poverty Law
Center

Sara's Career Path...



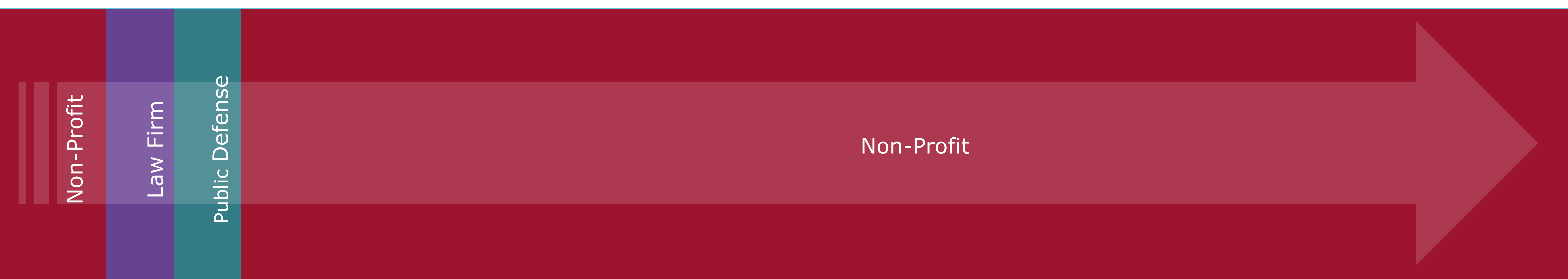
- **First Post-Grad Job:** Staff Attorney, Southern Poverty Law Center
- **Clerkship:** Judge Keith P. Ellison, US District Court for the Southern District of Texas
- **Summer Jobs:** Centro de Implementación de Políticas Públicas para la Equidad y Crecimiento; Center for Justice & Accountability



Sean Hill '12

Senior Staff
Attorney, Youth
Represent

Sean's Career Path...



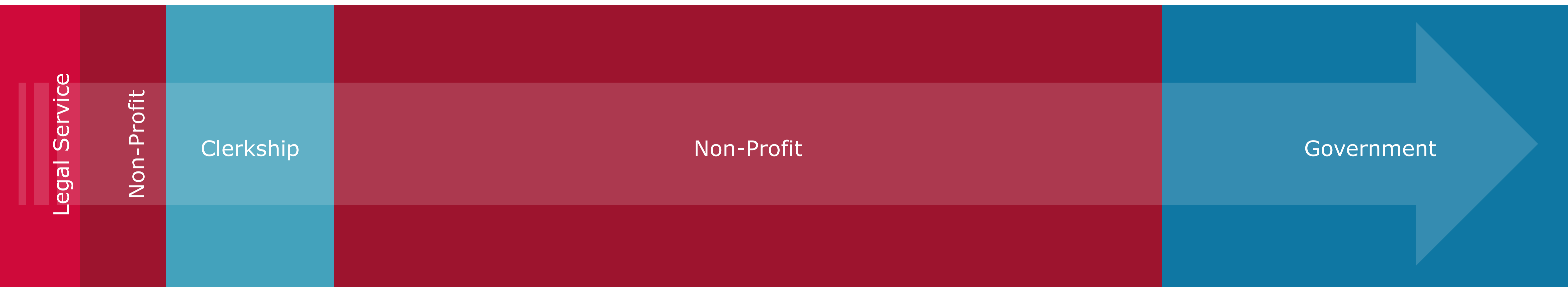
- **Fist Post-Grad Job:** Staff Attorney & Equal Justice Works Fellow, Youth Represent
- **Summer Jobs:** Sanctuary for Families; Sheppard Mullin Richter & Hampton LLP; Georgia Public Defender Standards Council, Appellate Division

Nicole Dooley '09

Attorney Advisor,
US Department of
Education Office
for Civil Rights, DC
Metro
Enforcement
Office



Nicole’s Career Path...



- **First Post-Grad Job:** Equal Justice America Fellow and Attorney, Legal Aid Justice Center
- **Clerkship:** Alaska Supreme Court
- **Summer Jobs:** Dakota Plains Legal Services; Education Law Center



Nick Lundgren '00

Deputy
Commissioner,
State of
Connecticut
Department of
Housing

Nick's Career Path...



- **First Post-Grad Job:** Equal Justice Works Fellow and Staff Attorney, Legal Aid Society
- **Other Post-Grad Jobs:** Associate, Heller Ehrmann LLP; Associate, Robinson & Cole LLP; Senior Counsel, New York City Economic Development Corporation; Director of Housing and Community Development, State of Connecticut Department of Economic and Community Development
- **Summer Jobs:** Community Law Office of the Legal Aid Society; New York City Housing Partnership; Comprehensive Community Revitalization Program

Alberto Ruisanchez '01

Deputy Special
Counsel, DOJ,
Civil Rights
Division, Office
of Special Counsel
for Immigration
Related Unfair
Employment
Practices



Alberto's Career Path...

Law Firm

Clerkship

Government

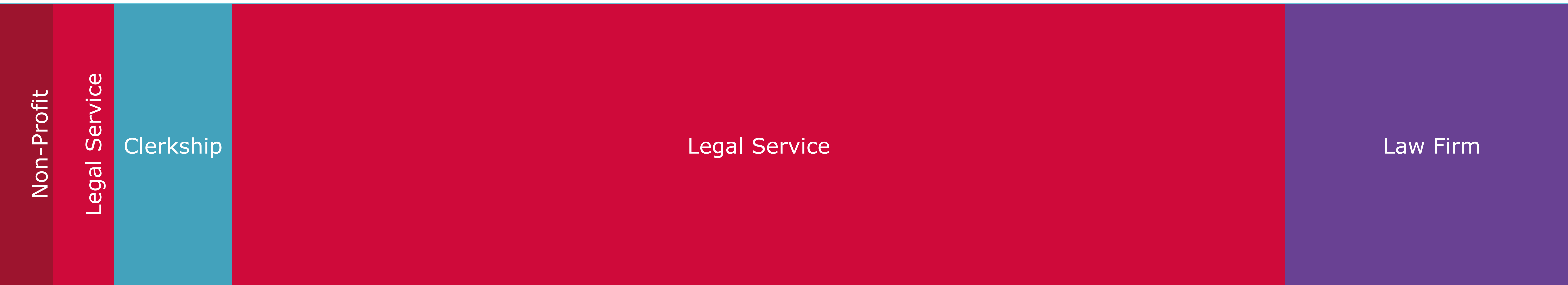
- **First Post-Grad Job:** DOJ Honors Attorney and Heyman Fellow, DOJ, Civil Rights Division, Housing Section
- **Other Post-Grad Jobs:** Staff Attorney, DOJ, Civil Rights Division, Voting Section; Staff Attorney, DOJ, Civil Rights Division, Disability Section; Deputy Chief, DOJ, Civil Rights Division, Disability Section
- **Clerkship:** Judge Juan R. Tourrella, First Circuit
- **Summer Jobs:** Morgan Lewis; Covington



Lea Weems '05

Attorney, Labor and Employment, Seyfarth Shaw LLP

Lea’s Career Path...



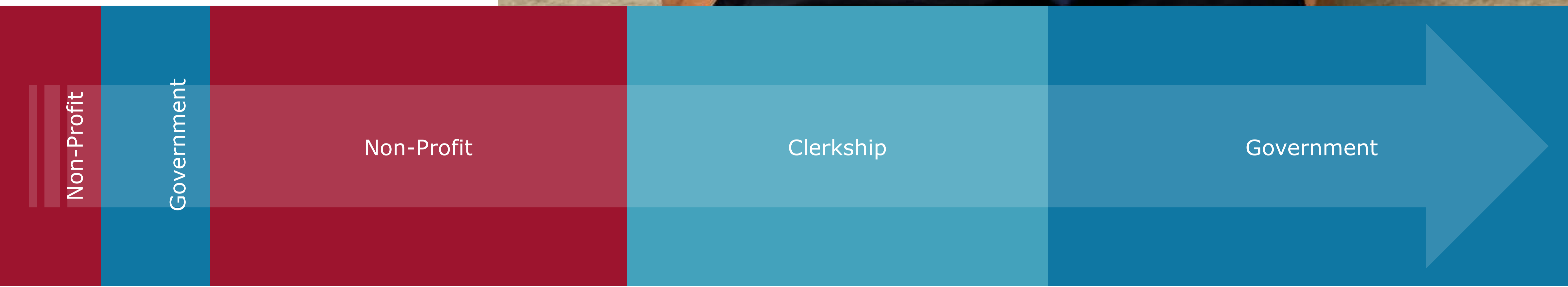
- **First Post-Grad Job:** Equal Justice Works Fellow and Senior Attorney, Legal Assistance Foundation
- **Clerkship:** Chief Justice Margaret Marshall, Supreme Judicial Court of Massachusetts
- **Summer Jobs:** Massachusetts Law Reform Institute; Legal Assistance Foundation of Chicago

Stephen Cha-Kim '11

Assistant US
Attorney, US
Attorney's Office
for the Southern
District of New
York



Stephen's Career Path...



- **First Post-Grad Job:** Skadden Fellow and Staff Attorney, Make the Road New York
- **Clerkships:** Clerk, Judge James L. Cott, US District Court, Southern District of New York; Clerk, Judge Edmond E. Chang, US District Court, Northern District of Illinois
- **Summer Jobs:** EarthRights International, Trade Union Advisory Committee, Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development



Laura Eichhorn Kurpad '07

Associate Chief
Counsel, FDA

Laura's Career Path...



- **First Post-Grad Job:** EJA/Kaufmann Fellow, New York Legal Assistance Group, LegalHealth
- **Clerkship:** Judge Faith S. Hochberg, US District Court for the District of New Jersey
- **Summer Jobs:** DOJ, Disability Rights Section; Bazelon Center for Mental Health Law

Benet Magnuson '09

Executive
Director, Kansas
Appleseed



Benet's Career Path...

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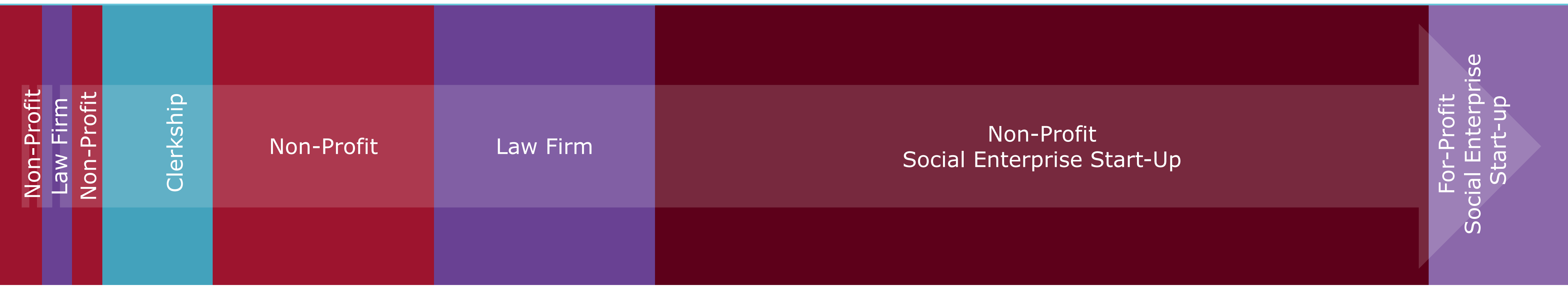
- **First Post-Grad Job:** Skirnick Policy Fellow, Texas Appleseed Financial Access Project
- **Other Post-Grad Jobs:** Staff Attorney, Texas Access to Justice Commission; Policy Attorney, Texas Criminal Justice Coalition
- **Summer Jobs:** Center for Responsible Lending; MassPIRG



Adam Stofsky '04

Co-Founder and CEO, Briefly

Adam’s Career Path...



- **First Post-Grad Job:** Skadden Fellow, Lawyers’ Committee for Civil Rights Under Law
- **Other Post-Grad Jobs:** Litigation Associate, Debevoise and Plimpton; Founder and Executive Director, New Media Advocacy Project; Co-Founder, Ticketyboo Farm
- **Clerkship:** Judge James Browning, US Court of Appeals for the 9th Circuit
- **Summer Jobs:** Social and Economic Rights Action Center; Ella Baker Fellow, Center for Constitutional Rights; Debevoise & Plimpton

Amy Rossignol '14

Assistant
Corporate
Counsel, Pfizer,
Inc.



Amy’s Career Path...

Law Firm

In-house

- **Summer Jobs:** Microsoft; Fenwick & West