

"It's about working with real people who have real problems. This immersive experience is powerful and transformative."

—Nicole Iannarone,
Assistant Clinical Professor
for the Investor Advocacy Clinic



MANAGING CASES FROM A TO Z: Students in **Georgia State Law clinical programs** have assisted **thousands of individuals** and **families** manage controversies and resolve legal disputes. The new **Investor Advocacy Clinic**, which launched this fall, will help people who have suffered losses because of broker misconduct and educate individuals about investments and how to avoid financial fraud.



“Employers consistently inform us that students who take part in the tax clinic are prepared to practice law.”

– Professor Ronald W. Blasi,

Director of the Philip C. Cook Low-Income Taxpayer Clinic and Professor of Law

Through clinical opportunities, students become familiar with **different communication types, decision-making styles** and ultimately gain confidence in the practice of law. The clinics and programs handle about 500 cases each year.

Georgia State Law students represent underserved Georgians through these programs and courses:

- Capital Defenders Clinic
- Bankruptcy Assistance and Practice Program
- Fulton County Landlord-Tenant Mediation Program
- Fundamentals of Law Practice (domestic violence)
- Health Legislation and Advocacy

Clinical students influence cases from start to finish:

- The **HeLP Clinic** assists families whose children are in treatment with Children’s Healthcare of

Atlanta. law.gsu.edu/helpclinic

- The **Investor Advocacy Clinic** represents small investors who suffer losses from broker misconduct, and is funded in part by FINRA Investor Education Foundation. law.gsu.edu/iac
- The **Philip C. Cook Low-Income Taxpayer Clinic** has helped individuals resolve disputes with the IRS for more than 20 years. law.gsu.edu/taxclinic

“Seeing how different legal problems intersect in a concrete situation is something that simply cannot be taught in a classroom,” says Jena Jolissant (J.D. ’13), of her **HeLP Clinic** experience.

Jason Wiggam (J.D. ’10), associate with Gomel, Davis & Watson LLP, described his tax clinic experience as a critical connection that *“helped me bridge the gap between purely academic exercises and actual legal work.”*



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