

# PUBLIC INTEREST NEWSLETTER

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The latest pro bono, internship, and post-graduate opportunities

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## EQUAL JUSTICE WORKS 2025 DESIGN-YOUR-OWN FELLOWSHIP

Applications for 2025 Graduates Opening in April. Learn More [HERE!](#)

Project-based fellowships are a primary launch pad for graduating law students to enter the public interest field. The EJW fellowship enables you to partner with a “host” organization of your choice to work on a specific project for 2 years. If you are graduating in 2025 and interested in exploring project-based fellowships, contact Stephanie Storke, Assistant Director of Public Interest Careers & Pro Bono, at [sstorke@law.stetson.edu](mailto:ssstorke@law.stetson.edu). Applications for project-based fellowships require several steps and have early deadlines. Planning should begin in the late Spring of your 2L year.

**FALL CLINICS & EXTERNSHIP APPLICATIONS**

The application for Fall 2024 Clinics and Externships is now Open! Learn more about how to apply and submit your application [HERE](#). Deadline to apply is Friday, **April 19, 2024**.

**BAY LEGAL SERVICES ADVANCE DIRECTIVES CLINIC - PRO BONO VOLUNTEER**

Volunteer attorneys and law students will assist in completing advance directives (living will, designation of health care surrogate, pre-need guardian designation) documents. No experience in estate planning or any area of law is necessary. The clinic will take place at 800 Drew Street in Clearwater on **Friday, April 12 from 11am-1pm**. To sign up, please email Stephanie Storke at [sstorke@law.stetson.edu](mailto:ssstorke@law.stetson.edu). [Eligible for legal pro bono hours](#).

**THE NATIONAL VETERANS LEGAL SERVICES PROGRAM - PAID SUMMER INTERNSHIP**

NVLSP seeks a summer law student to assist with screening discharge upgrade cases. The student will review veterans' medical and personnel files, draft screening memos, and assist with organizing clinics. The position is remote with an [hourly pay of \\$22/hour](#). Apply by **May 5, 2024**. To learn more about this opportunity and how to apply, visit Symplicity.

**GULFCOAST LEGAL SERVICES - 2024 DUBRULE SUMMER INTERNSHIP PROGRAM**

The 2024 Dubrule Summer Internship Birth Certificate Program will be at GLS' St. Petersburg office. The internship commences with the start of Stetson's summer term and wraps up with the close of same. Students must commit to a minimum of 15 hours per week onsite at the office; no remote work is required. At the conclusion of the internship, a [stipend of \\$1,500](#) is furnished. To learn more about this opportunity and how to apply, visit Symplicity. Applications accepted until position filled.

**U.S. DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS - SUMMER OPPORTUNITY**

The VA office of General Counsel is accepting applications from students for a summer 2024 legal pro bono opportunity in St. Petersburg or Tampa, FL. Rising 3Ls are preferred but applications from all students will be considered. Student interns must be able to dedicate a minimum of forty hours for the semester to which they are applying. To learn more about this opportunity and how to apply, visit Symplicity's Job Postings page. Apply by **April 12, 2024**. [Eligible for legal pro bono hours](#).

**INNOCENCE PROJECT OF FLORIDA - SUMMER INTERN**

Each semester, the Innocence Project of Florida welcomes students to participate in their Intern/Extern Program. Each intern is assigned one or two cases which they work on during their internship under the supervision of an IPF attorney. Internships are available for the Spring, Fall, and Summer semesters. Interested? contact Della Campbell at [dcampbell@floridainnocence.org](mailto:dcampbell@floridainnocence.org) and submit a resume and cover letter. Deadline to apply for summer is **March 29, 2024**. [Eligible for legal pro bono hours](#). Sign up for PSJD.org using your Stetson email to view the posting.

**KIDS IN NEED OF DEFENSE - SUMMER LEGAL INTERN (ORLANDO)**

KIND is seeking a summer legal intern in the Orlando field office to support the released and/or detained programs in providing pro bono legal representation to unaccompanied children in immigration proceedings, and/or before U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services, and/or state court proceedings. Preference is for the intern to commit to 10 weeks for approximately 30-40 hours. Applications accepted until position filled. [Eligible for legal pro bono hours.](#)

**EVERGLADES LAW CENTER - INTERNSHIP**

The Everglades Law Center is accepting applications for internships on a rolling basis. This is an unpaid position. The candidate should have an outstanding academic record, strong communication skills, and a demonstrated writing ability. A demonstrated commitment to a healthy environment and a familiarity with or connection to Florida are preferred, but not required. If interested in applying, fill out the form [HERE](#). [Eligible for legal pro bono hours.](#)

**CROSSROADS FOR FLORIDA KIDS**

Students will be paired with attorneys representing a child as their Attorneys ad Litem, attend court dates, meet with the client, and conduct occasional legal research remotely. You must commit to volunteer for at least the duration of the semester. [Eligible for legal pro bono hours.](#)

- To apply, send your resume and a cover letter to Scott Tolliver, Executive Director, at [Scott@crossroadsfloridakids.org](mailto:Scott@crossroadsfloridakids.org).
- Your cover letter should address why you are interested in advocating for children and what area(s) of law you are considering after law school. Crossroads will make an attempt to match you with a pro bono attorney working in your desired field of interest.

**COMMUNITY LEGAL SERVICES OF MID-FLORIDA**

CLS offers a wide range of options for legal pro bono volunteer opportunities, including remote options. Students can assist at legal advice clinics, assist pro bono attorneys with cases, join CLS at community outreach events, conduct legal research, and more. Learn more and apply to volunteer [HERE](#). [Eligible for legal pro bono hours.](#)

**NATURAL RESOURCES DEFENSE COUNCIL - FALL 2024 LITIGATION INTERN**

NRDC is a non-profit environmental advocacy organization. They are seeking three Fall 2024 Litigation Interns to work with the Litigation Team associated with their Chicago, San Francisco/Santa Monica, and D.C. offices. This is a paid position and interns have the option to work remotely. The posting will be open until **April 15, 2024**, with preference given to students who apply by April 1.

**REPRODUCTIVE FREEDOM FOR ALL - LEGAL FELLOW**

Reproductive Freedom For All Foundation is seeking a Legal Fellow for their Summer Internship Program. This position is a remote part-time opportunity, with flexible hours as needed. Compensation is \$21.00 per hour. The posting will be open until the position is filled.

**JOHN J. CURTIN, JR. FELLOWSHIP**

The Curtin Justice Fund Legal Internship Program will pay a \$3,600 stipend to 3 law students who spend the summer working at a bar association or legal services program designed to prevent homelessness or assist indigent clients or their advocates. Applications accepted on a rolling basis until **March 29, 2024**.

**NATIONAL LGBTQ+ BAR LAW SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIPS**

Scholarships of \$2,500 each will be awarded to one incoming 1L, one rising 2L, and one rising 3L or 4L. Decisions will be based in significant part, upon demonstrated commitment to working through the law to achieve equality for LGBTQ+. Funds are granted on an unrestricted basis. Applications close **April 1, 2024**.

**PUBLIC INTEREST LAW SECTION SCHOLARSHIP**

The Public Interest Law Section (PILS) of the Florida Bar is currently offering two eligible law students a \$1,000 scholarship (each) and an affiliate membership to PILS. Any law students who has secured a summer unpaid internship within the public interest field may apply. The deadline to apply is **April 1, 2024**. Learn More [Here!](#)

**EQUAL JUSTICE WORKS 2024 REGIONAL PUBLIC INTEREST AWARDS**

Each year, EJW presents 8 law students throughout the country with a regional public interest award. Each of the students selected is recognized for providing extraordinary service through clinics, volunteer work, internships, and more. To apply, complete and submit the application form by **April 9, 2024**, at 11:59 p.m.

**GOVERNMENT LAW SECTION LAW STUDENT AWARD PROGRAM**

The Government Law Section of the Florida Bar has introduced an annual award program dedicated to fostering the next generation of local government law professionals. This program will provide a \$500 award and a commemorative plaque to one outstanding law student from each accredited law school in the State of Florida. Apply by **April 12, 2024**. To learn how to apply, visit the announcements section of Symplicity.

**MS. JD FELLOWSHIP APPLICATION**

Each spring, Ms. JD selects a group of outstanding rising 3L students as Fellowship recipients. Fellows receive financial support to attend a Leadership Academy Intensive; attorney mentorship; attend monthly calls; and complete a fellowship project on their law school campus. Deadline to apply is **April 12, 2024**.

**LGBT PUBLIC INTEREST SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM**

This scholarship is intended for law students and/or recent graduates studying for the Bar who are either LGBTQ+ or who will be working in the LGBTQ+ space doing public interest work. Apply by **April 19, 2024**.

**NACA SUMMER CONSUMER LAW FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM**

This is a fellowship for both 1Ls and 2Ls with a demonstrated interest in consumer law and in serving low- and moderate-income consumers. It provides a stipend to students who spend the summer months working for a NACA member non-profit, legal aid, or private consumer law firm on consumer protection issues. Applications due **April 19, 2024**.

**NACA CONSUMER LAW FELLOWSHIP WITH JALA**

The National Association of Consumer Advocates (NACA) is offering a 2-year consumer law fellowship to recent law school graduates expected to sit for the July 2024 Florida Bar exam. During the 2-year program, the fellow will be an employee of Jacksonville Legal Aid. In the 2nd year, the fellow will be assigned to two different FL-based private consumer protection law firms. Deadline to apply is **April 15, 2024**. View the full posting on Symplicity and apply [here](#).

**FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**

The Florida Department of Education is participating in Stetson's spring on campus recruiting program. They are seeking third year law students and recent graduates for Attorney positions. View the full posting and apply on Symplicity by visiting the OCI page. Student bidding ends **April 25, 2024**.

**OFFICE OF THE STATE ATTORNEY - 10TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT**

The Office of the State Attorney, 10th Judicial Circuit is participating in Stetson's spring on campus recruiting program. They are seeking 3Ls and recent graduates for full time attorney positions. View the full posting and apply on Symplicity by visiting the OCI page. Student bidding ends **April 1, 2024**.

**LEGAL SERVICES CORP OFFICE OF LEGAL AFFAIRS - GRADUATE LAW FELLOW**

LSC seeks recent law graduates or students graduating by June 2024 for its Graduate Law Fellowship. The position will require working from an office in Washington, D.C. in accordance with LSC's hybrid work model. Salary for recent graduates is \$65,000. Applications accepted until position filled.

**PARTNERSHIP FOR CIVIL JUSTICE FUND - 2024 JUSTICE FELLOWSHIP**

Full-time one year fellowship, with possibility of renewal. Position located in either the Washington, D.C. office or the Oakland, CA office. The fellow will support the organization's civil rights litigation protecting and advancing constitutional rights and racial, social and environmental justice in the U.S. Start date of September 2024 for graduating students. Applications accepted until position filled.

**INTERNATIONAL REFUGEE ASSISTANCE PROJECT - LITIGATION FELLOW (FALL 2024-2026)**

IRAP is seeking an attorney who is graduating from a U.S. law school in 2024 or graduated in 2023 to join the U.S. Litigation Department as a fellow for 2 years, starting in fall 2024. IRAP's Litigation Dep't brings court challenges in U.S. courts to address systemic issues affecting refugees, asylum seekers, and others in need of a safe home. The application deadline is **March 31, 2024**. The candidate will work in IRAP's NYC office, but remote candidates will be considered.

**UPENN - HEALTH LAW FELLOW 2024**

The University of Pennsylvania is offering a full-time, one-year Health Law fellowship, starting in September 2024. J.D. degree required prior to starting the fellowship and admission to Pennsylvania bar expected within one (1) year of beginning the fellowship. Applications accepted until position filled. Salary range is \$61,046 - \$87,528.

**AOKI WATER JUSTICE CLINIC FELLOWSHIP**

The Aoki Water Justice Clinic of UC Davis is hiring one Fellow to spend on year in residence working with the Clinic. The Clinic partners with community organizations and drinking water systems to redress current failures in the provision of safe water drinking throughout rural California. Deadline to apply is **April 15, 2024**. Salary range is \$59,200-\$106,000. Candidates must register to take the July 2024 California bar exam.

**PACE FOOD AND AGRICULTURE LAW LLM GRADUATE FELLOW**

Pace University's School of Law is hiring a Food and Agriculture Law Graduate Fellow. The Fellow will work part time with the Pace Food Law Center and the Food and Farm Business Law Clinic while working towards an LLM in Environmental Law. Fellows receive Full-Tuition Waiver for LLM Degree and a modest stipend of \$25-\$30/hour. The position is located in White Plains, NY.

**EVERYTOWN LAW - 2024-2026 CONSTITUTIONAL LAW FELLOW**

Everytown for Gun Safety is hiring for two full-time, fixed term fellowships with a fall 2026 end date. One of the positions will begin in fall 2024 and the other in spring 2024. These are full-time hybrid positions that can be based in either New York City or Washington, D.C. Starting salary is \$87,500-\$92,500 per year. Applications accepted until positions filled.

**GEOENGINEERING GOVERNANCE FELLOWSHIPS IN ENVIRONMENTAL LAW & POLICY 2024**

UCLA's Emmett Institute on Climate Change and the Environment invites applications for fellowships in environmental law and policy. The fellowships are full-time, two-year academic positions, starting July 2024. Candidates should possess a PhD, JD, or other advanced degree relevant to environmental law and policy, earned within past several years or expected in spring 2024. Apply by **April 23, 2024** to receive full consideration.

**AMERICAN DIABETES ASSOCIATION - LEGAL FELLOW**

The ADA is seeking a Diabetes Legal Advocacy 2-year Fellow to work with their advocacy team and attorney volunteers to advance the rights of people with diabetes and to ensure fair treatment and equal opportunities in the workplace, at schools and day care, and in all aspects of society. The fellowship will mix litigation and non-litigation efforts. This position is remote with a base pay of \$55,000-\$60,000.

**LUNCH & LEARN WITH CROSSROADS FOR FLORIDA KIDS**

Have lunch with CASL and learn more about Crossroads for Florida Kids and how you can get involved. Crossroads is a nonprofit that trains and mentors pro bono attorneys to represent children and young adults in dependency, delinquency, and criminal proceedings. Executive Director Scott Tolliver and Board Members Katherine Yanes and Daniela Mendez will be in attendance. This event will be held in Classroom D on **April 3 from 12pm-1pm**.

**“DIVERSITY ON THE BENCH AND BAR” CLE/MIXER EVENT**

This event aims to foster professional connections between prominent trailblazers in the legal field and law students at Stetson Law. The first part of the evening will kick off with esteemed panelists discussing “Diversity on the Bench and Bar,” followed by networking and dinner. The event will be held at the Tampa Law Center on **April 5, 2024** from 5pm-9pm. The event is hosted by ILSA, AALSA, JLSA, DALSA, BLSA, HBA, CABA, and FAWLS. RSVP [HERE](#) by April 2, 2024.

**SKADDEN FELLOWSHIP INFORMATION SESSION**

Graduating or completing a judicial clerkship in May 2025 and interested in launching your career in the public interest field? The Skadden Foundation will award two-year fellowships for 2025 law school graduates who want to work in the public interest field. Skadden will be hosting a virtual fellowship information session for applicants on Tuesday, **April 16, 2024 at 3pm**. Learn more and register to attend [HERE](#).

**WEBINAR: “UPDATE ON PUBLIC SERVICE LOAN FORGIVENESS”**

Join this bi-monthly live webinar, hosted by the PSLF Coalition, to learn information you need to know about earning PSLF post-graduation. The next webinar will be held **April 24, 2024**. Register [HERE](#).

**EQUAL JUSTICE WORKS CAREER FAIR**

Each fall, EJW hosts its annual Career Fair, the largest public interest legal career fair in the country. The event brings together law students, recent graduates, and public interest employers from across the country for three days of prescheduled interviews and informal “table talk” discussions. Stay tuned for more event details and save the date for the Fair, which will be held **October 10-12, 2024**.

### **Career Advising**

The Office of Career and Professional Development offers public interest/public service career advising, including resume and cover letter review, job search tools, mock interviews, and 1:1 counseling. For support in charting your public interest career path, contact Stephanie Storke, Assistant Director of Public Interest Careers and Pro Bono, at [sstorke@law.stetson.edu](mailto:ssstorke@law.stetson.edu).

### **Arizona Government Honors & Internship Handbook**

This site provides application deadlines, applicant qualifications, and details on the selection process for federal and state government internships and post-graduate honors programs. Password: stetsonlaw  
<https://arizonahandbooks.com/u/stetsonlaw/>

### **Sign up for PSJD.org**

PSJD ([www.psjd.org](http://www.psjd.org)) provides job listings, post-graduate fellowship information, internships, and job-search resources for law students and graduates. Visit [www.psjd.org](http://www.psjd.org) and register for free as a Stetson Law student.

### **Symplicity**

Monitor Symplicity to view the latest On Campus Recruiting opportunities and job postings sent specifically to Stetson Law by employers. The Office of Career and Professional Development also posts job notices found on external job databases and sources as a service to students and alumni.

### **AccessLex Institute**

Filter through over 800 scholarship opportunities and writing competitions for incoming and returning law students.