PUBLIC INTEREST NEWSLETTER

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

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EQUAL JUSTICE WORKS CAREER FAIR

Summer & Postgraduate Opportunities

Registration for the 2024 Equal Justice Works <u>Career Fair</u>—the nation's largest public interest legal career fair-is now open. The event brings together law students and public interest employers from across the country for 3 days of virtual prescheduled interviews and informal "table talk" discussions. Students must apply for prescheduled interviews (i.e., available positions) by Thursday, Sept. 12 at 5:00 p.m. The registration fee is \$25 and eligible for reimbursement through Stetson's Professional Development Fund. For application tips and review of materials contact Stephanie Storke at sstorke@law.stetson.edu.

LEGAL PRO BONO OPPORTUNITIES

HELP RETURNING CITIZENS SEEK RESTORATION OF VOTING RIGHTS

Provide intake for Returning Citizens (citizens with felony convictions) seeking help with restoration of their voting rights. The event is sponsored by the League of Women Voters and Life from Inside Out, and will take place on August 29, 2024 from 5-7pm at 2335 22nd Ave S. in St. Petersburg. **Deadline to express interest is Aug. 15**. To learn more, visit <u>https://www2.stetson.edu/law/docket/legal-pro-bono-opportunity-voting-rights/</u>.

BAY AREA LEGAL SERVICES AUGUST FAMILY FORMS CLINIC

Seeking law student volunteers to participate in the August Family Forms Clinic at the George Edgecomb Courthouse. The Forms Clinic is a free program that provides assistance to people representing themselves in family law cases. As a volunteer, you will help pro se litigants complete family law forms. Throughout August, the clinic will be held on Tuesdays and Fridays from 10am-2pm. Questions? Contact Blake Kahn at bkahn@bals.org. Sign up for 1 or more clinic dates <u>here</u>.

ST. PETE TEEN COURT FALL 2024

Teen Court is a diversion program that provides 2nd chances for at-risk youth who have not previously been in the criminal justice system. It is also an educational forum for non-offending teens, who are allowed to participate in the legal process as jurors, prosecutors, and defense attorneys, with law students serving as Judges. The program resumes on Aug. 20 and takes place on Tuesdays from 4:45-7pm at 545 1st Avenue North St. Petersburg. To receive a copy of the fall calendar, contact Stephanie Storke at <u>sstorke@law.stetson.edu</u>.

There is no minimum required number of sessions to participate. Previously volunteered and interested in returning? Contact Katelyn Greene, <u>KGreene@jud6.org</u>, to sign-up. If you're new to Teen Court and would like more information, there will be a Zoom info session within the coming weeks. Contact Stephanie Storke to be notified once the Zoom session is scheduled.

NASA KENNEDY SPACE CENTER, OGC - FALL 2024 LEGAL INTERNSHIP

The Office of General Counsel is currently seeking a law student to serve as a legal intern (parttime, either remote, in-person, or hybrid) during the fall semester (typically between Sept. and Dec.). While this internship may be remote, the intern must report to a NASA center or facility prior to the start of the internship for badging. Interns work on a broad range of legal matters, including litigation and transactional actions, commercial agreements, intellectual property, employment and labor law, and more. Apply by **Aug. 8, 2024**. Opportunity posted on PSJD.org and Symplicity.

To explore additional opportunities, visit <u>https://intranet.stetson.edu/law/pro-bono/finding-opportunities.php</u>.

FALL 2024/SUMMER 2025 PUBLIC INTEREST & GOVERNMENT STUDENT OPPORTUNITIES

GULFCOAST LEGAL SERVICES - FALL 2024 LAW CLERK - EXPUNGEMENT

GLS invites law students with a strong interest in social justice advocacy and public interest to apply for part-time fall clerk positions. The positions are based in the St. Pete Office and may involve travel as necessary to best serve clients who may qualify for assistance in sealing and/or expunging criminal records. View the full posting on Symplicity for additional information and application instructions. Compensation is \$20 to \$22/hour based on experience and current certification level. Accepting applications on a rolling basis.

EARTHJUSTICE - SUMMER LAW CLERK PROGRAM

EarthJustice is the premier nonprofit environmental law organization and welcomes summer law clerks who share a passion for justice and a healthy environment. Summer clerkship positions include a weekly stipend of \$1,292 with the average clerkship lasting 10 weeks. Apply by **Sept. 2, 2024 at 5 p.m. ET.** Multiple locations available, including Florida, with some remote opportunities.

EQUAL JUSTICE WORKS CAREER FAIR

Registration for the 2024 Equal Justice Works <u>Career Fair</u> is now open. The list of participating employers can be found <u>here</u> (EJW will continue to update this list in the lead up to the event). They will be hosting a series of webinars in the lead up to the event which we encourage you to attend. View and register for those webinars <u>here</u>. 2Ls and 3Ls are encouraged to apply for jobs and interviews with several organizations during the prescheduled interview application period (**Aug. 1**, **2024 - Sept. 12, 2024**). Questions? Contact Stephanie Storke at sstorke@law.stetson.edu.

DEFENDERS OF WILDLIFE - BIODIVERSITY LAW CENTER SUMMER INTERNSHIP

This internship program covers a wide range of environmental issues from endangered species to federal lands management and is ideal for students with an interest in wildlife conservation law and litigation. Interns receive a stipend of \$800 per week. Positions available in Denver, CO or Washington, DC. Apply by **Sept. 6, 2024**.

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE - SUMMER LAW INTERN PROGRAM

SLIP is the Department's competitive recruitment program for compensated summer internships. Each year, the Department hires approximately 50 paid summer legal interns. Applications for SLIP close **Sept. 3, 2024**. Before applying, review the Honors Program and SLIP Application Tips and Checklist <u>HERE</u>. See p. 6 for Application Tips Webinar dates.

U.S. GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTABILITY OFFICE - LEGAL HONORS PROGRAM

U.S. Government Accountability Office's Office of the General Counsel is accepting applications for their 2025 Summer Associate class until **Aug. 7, 2024**. Applications will be accepted from rising 2Ls (or equivalent) who expect to graduate in the spring of 2026.

CIA OFFICE OF GENERAL COUNSEL - SUMMER LAW CLERK

Summer law clerks assist CIA attorneys on a variety of issues relating to intelligence and national security law and other routine practices of an executive agency. All positions are paid and located in the Washington D.C. metro area. Applications accepted from **Aug. 12 to Aug. 26, 2024**.

PRESIDENTIAL MANAGEMENT FELLOWS PROGRAM

2-year positions which offer public policy and management (but not attorney) positions in various federal agencies and departments. Most positions are in DC metro area. Fellows participate in 4-6 mo. rotational opportunity related to targeted position; other optional rotations may be available. Receive senior-level mentors outside chain of command; education opportunities; and interactive, on-the job training per year. Program is highly competitive. See website for details on the 3-step application process. Initial application open between **Sept. 4 and Sept. 18, noon ET**. Application is complicated and can take 3-4 hours.

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE ATTORNEY GENERAL'S HONORS PROGRAM

The DOJ is accepting applications for entry-level attorney positions until **Sept. 3, 2024**. Law students (full or part time) who will graduate from law school with a JD degree between Oct. 1, 2024 and Sept. 30, 2025 are eligible to apply. Before applying, review the Honors Program and SLIP Application Tips and Checklist <u>HERE</u>. See p. 6 for Application Tips Webinar dates.

GAYE L. TENOSO INDIAN COUNTRY FELLOWSHIP

The fellowship is designed to create a new pipeline of legal talent with expertise and deep experience in federal Indian law, tribal law, and Indian country issues that can be deployed in creative ways to build tribal capacity, combat violent crime, and bolster public safety in Indian country jurisdictions. Placement opportunities available in Montana, Nebraska, New Mexico, Oklahoma, North Dakota, and Washington. The fellowship is open to all eligible DOJ Honors Program applicants. Apply by **Sept. 3, 2024**.

CONSUMER FINANCIAL PROTECTION BUREAU HONORS ATTORNEY PROGRAM

2-year program designed to provide recent law graduates with early, substantive opportunities to use and develop their legal skills and make a difference in the lives of American consumers. Honors Attorneys are placed in a Washington, DC office. Students expected to graduate before August 1, 2025 are eligible to apply. Apply by **Sept. 3, 2024**. See p. 6 for information session dates.

CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY HONORS ATTORNEY PROGRAM

The Office of General Counsel of the Central Intelligence Agency provides legal advice and policy counsel to the Director of the CIA and other CIA officers on a variety of legal issues. OGC will accept applications for Honors Attorney positions from **Aug. 12 to Aug. 26, 2024**. Law students who will graduate by Spring 2025 are eligible to apply.

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR SOLICITOR HONORS PROGRAM

Honors Program attorneys help interpret and enforce a broad range of labor and employment laws while working in one of the largest legal offices in the federal government. Attorneys are placed either at the department's headquarters in Washington, D.C., or in the following regional offices: NY, Philadelphia, Arlington, and Atlanta. Apply on USAJobs by **Sept. 30, 2024**.

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE, OGC, HONORS ATTORNEY PROGRAM

Participants have the opportunity to take on immediate responsibility and directly contribute to significant matters within DoD OGC and in the Department of Defense, each in support of DoD's mission to defend the nation, deter aggression, and further U.S. national security objectives. Following completion of the program, participants will have the opportunity to be considered for permanent positions in DoD OGC without further competition. Apply by **Sept. 15, 2024**.

2025 POST-GRADUATE PUBLIC INTEREST OPPORTUNITIES

IMMIGRANT JUSTICE CORPS JUSTICE FELLOWSHIP

IJC identifies promising law graduates and advocates passionate about immigration, grants them a 2-year fellowship, and places them with legal services and community-based organizations where they can make the greatest difference, supporting them with training and expert insights as they directly assist immigrants in need. Learn more and apply <u>HERE</u>. Deadline to apply is **Oct. 20, 2024**. Questions? Contact Stephanie Storke at sstorke@law.stetson.edu.

SUNRISE INJUNCTION FOR PROTECTION LEGAL PROJECT - ATTORNEY

The IFP Project Attorney will provide direct representation to survivors of domestic, dating and sexual violence and stalking in temporary and final injunction for protection proceedings and prosecutions of violations of injunctions. Position based in Pasco County, FL. Apply through Symplicity by visiting OCI opportunities. Student bidding ends **Aug. 27, 2024**. Compensation up to \$70,000 depending on experience.

DC JUSTICE LAB - JUSTICE FELLOWS

DC Justice Lab trains movement lawyers to transform legal systems across the country. Selected fellows spend 1-year receiving training and support as they work on criminal justice reform in the District of Columbia, a city where 90% of people incarcerated in local jails are black. Salary is \$60,000 plus benefits. Deadline to apply is **Oct. 31, 2024**.

FRIED FRANK CIVIL RIGHTS FELLOWSHIP

Accepting applications from 3Ls graduating in 2025 and outgoing judicial law clerks. The first 2 years of the fellowship take place at Fried Frank's NYC office. Following the Fried Frank placement, Fellows will work at Mexican American Legal Defense and Educational Fund (MALDEF) headquarters in Los Angeles. MALDEF also has regional offices in Chicago, DC, and San Antonio. Apply by **Oct. 7, 2024**.

FORD FOUNDATION FELLOWSHIP IN NONPROFIT LAW

The 2025-2026 Fellow will spend a year in residence at the Ford Foundation's Office of Legal Service in New York, working with the General Counsel and staff attorneys to provide legal advice on grantmaking, operations, governance, human resources, and investments. Salary is \$100,000 plus benefits. Applications accepted until a fellow is selected.

NCPL FELLOWSHIP IN NONPROFIT LAW

The 2025-2026 Fellow will work closely with senior staff and staff attorneys at Lawyers Alliance for New York who have practice specialties that will expose the Fellow to a broad range of disciplines that address the legal needs of nonprofit organizations. Salary is \$70,000 plus benefits. Applications accepted on a rolling basis until a fellow is selected.

AMERICANS UNITED FOR SEPARATION OF CHURCH AND STATE CONSTITUTIONAL LITIGATION FELLOW

Work of the 2025 Fellow will include defending the rights of women, LGBTQ+ people, and racial and religious minorities against religion-based discrimination and oppression. 3Ls committed to advancing the public interest and the separation of religion and government are encouraged to apply. Salary is \$80,000-\$100,000 annually, depending on experience and location. Fellows can work remotely from anywhere in the U.S. or in the Washington, DC office. Application open until position filled. Applicants encouraged to apply by **Sept. 12, 2024**.

LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES/EVENTS

SKADDEN FELLOWSHIP Q&A SESSIONS

The below session will primarily be for applicants to bring questions regarding all things fellowship including the application process, proposed project ideas, the fellowship and/or host requirements. Prior to joining the Q&A session, review the recorded fellowship information sessions components/videos/etc. found <u>HERE</u>. **Tuesday, Aug. 6 at 3pm** - Register

EJW - LAST MINUTE TIPS FOR CRAFTING A COMPETITIVE FELLOWSHIP PROPOSAL

Join Equal Justice Works in a conversation about how to submit a strong project proposal for your Design-Your-Own (DYO) Fellowship as the application deadline approaches. This webinar will be held on **Aug. 28, 2024 at 3:00pm**. Register <u>HERE</u>. Note that if you have not already secured a host organization and intend to apply for Skadden or EJW Fellowships, now is the time to secure a host organization and begin your application. Deadlines to apply with your host organizations fall in early September.

IRS OFFICE OF CHIEF COUNSEL VIRTUAL RECRUITING EVENT

The IRS - Office of Chief Counsel Summer Internships and Honors Program job announcements are now open and will close Sept. 3rd. On **Aug. 7 at 12pm**, the Office of Chief Counsel is hosting a virtual recruiting event that will allow candidates to learn about the organization, application, and hiring process. Register <u>HERE</u>.

CONSUMER PROTECTION FINANCIAL BUREAU HONORS PROGRAM INFO SESSIONS

The CFPB will be hosting info sessions about the Honors Attorney Program, including a Q&A period. Deadline to apply for the program is Sept. 3. Info sessions will be held at varying times on 8/13, 22, and 29. You can also attend Office Honors with the recruitment team on 8/6, 15, and 20. Learn more about the program and session registration <u>HERE</u>.

DOJ APPLICATION TIPS WEBINAR FOR SUMMER INTERN AND HONORS PROGRAMS

The DOJ's Office of Attorney Recruitment Management is hosting Honors Program and Summer Law Intern Program Application Tips Webinars in early August. You can register anytime before the webinar. Before the webinar, review the application and come prepared with questions.

> Aug. 13, 12pm ET - <u>DOJ HP/SLIP Application Tips Webinar</u> Password: HPSLIPAppTips24

> > Access Code (if needed): 2822 947 2090

Aug. 14, 1pm ET - <u>DOJ HP/SLIP Application Tips Webinar</u> Password: HPSLIPAppTips24 Access Code (if needed): 2828 791 0757

Aug. 14, 3pm ET - DOJ HP/SLIP Application Tips Webinar

Password: HPSLIPAppTips24 Access Code (if needed): 2822 619 2095

RESOURCES

Career Advising

The Office of Career and Professional <u>Development</u> 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.

<u>Arizona Handbooks</u>

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/

Stetson Law Pro Bono

This site provides information on Stetson's 60 hour pro bono graduation requirement, reporting hours, and finding opportunities.

2025 Postgraduate Opportunities Tracking

Career Development has launched a new tool to help you explore postgraduate public interest and government opportunities throughout the year. The <u>Opportunities</u> tracking spreadsheet lists deadlines for fellowship funders, organizational fellowships, government positions, and other public interest opportunities for the Class of 2025. Please note the spreadsheet is not exhaustive.

Sign up for PSJD.org

<u>PSJD</u> (www.psjd.org) provides job listings, post-graduate fellowship information, internships, and job-search resources for law students and graduates. Visit 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.