

PUBLIC INTEREST NEWSLETTER

SEPTEMBER 2024

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 Career Fair—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 ssstorke@law.stetson.edu.

LEGAL PRO BONO OPPORTUNITIES

LEGAL PRO BONO OPPORTUNITY (2L/3L) RESEARCH PROJECT

Professor Ellen S. Podgor is looking for a 2L or 3L student who has advanced website skills to assist with a Bar Project. This is legal pro bono and will require research in the area of prosecutorial independence. If interested, please send a resume to epodgor@law.stetson.edu.

HELP RETURNING CITIZENS SEEK RESTORATION OF VOTING RIGHTS

Provide voter registration services through the League of Women Voters (LWV) of the St. Petersburg Area and provide intake for Returning Citizens seeking help with restoration of voting rights through the LWV of Florida Reinstatement of Voting Rights Project.

When you encounter a Returning Citizen during voter registration, you'll provide on-the-spot intake to help them identify their eligibility to receive help from a pro bono attorney. Two events scheduled so far. Must be a 2L/3L to participate.

Date: **Sunday, 9/22/24**

Time: 11:15 (set up) for 11:30-noon start. Expect to finish 1 or 1:30 pm

Mt. Zion Progressive Recovery Day Service

Location: Mt Zion Progressive, 833 20th St. South, St. Petersburg

Event details: Provide voter registration and Returning Citizen intake after Mt. Zion's Recovery Day Service for people recovering from addiction.

Date: **Thursday, 10/3/24**

Time: 4:45 (set up for 5pm start) – 7pm

Sanderlin Center Voter Registration Drive

Location: 2335 22nd Ave. S.

Event details: Provide voter registration and Returning Citizen intake. Timed to coincide with food pantry hours.

To learn more about this opportunity about these opportunities and how to get involved, visit <https://www2.stetson.edu/law/docket/pro-bono-opportunity-to-register-voters-and-help-returning-citizens-citizens-with-felony-convictions-seek-restoration-of-their-voting-rights/>

BAY AREA LEGAL SERVICES SEPTEMBER FAMILY FORMS CLINIC

Seeking law student volunteers to participate in the September 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 September, the clinic will be held on Tuesdays and Fridays from 10am-2pm. Questions? Contact Staff Attorney Lillian Rosario at Irosario@bals.org. Sign up for 1 or more clinic dates [here](#).

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

Hispanic Bar Association

PRO-BONO FOOD DRIVE

Sept. 23rd - 27th

What We Need

Water, Juice, Pasta, Pasta Sauce, Hot/Cold
Cereal, Oatmeal, Beans, Cereal, Canned
Vegetables/Fruits, Snacks, ETC.



Drop in the Library

ITEMS WILL BE GIVEN TO THE
HISPANIC COMMUNITY IN
TAMPA BAY

Take a photo dropping your items in the library
and email to edediego@law.stetson.edu. Every 3
items is one hour of non-legal pro-bono. Maximum
of 3 hours per student.

****Please note students are limited to earning a maximum of 3 pro bono hours through non-cash donation drives during their time at Stetson.**

FALL/SUMMER PUBLIC INTEREST OPPORTUNITIES - PAID

GULF COAST 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 until positions filled.

SOUTHERN POVERTY LAW CENTER - 2025 SUMMER LEGAL INTERN

SPLC offers summer internships to students who possess strong academic backgrounds, excellent writing skills, and a commitment to public interest work. Interns will work within one of SPLC's Advocacy and Litigation Impact Teams: Economic Justice; Criminal Legal System Reform; Democracy: Education and Youth; Democracy: Voting Rights; and Inclusion and Anti-Extremism. Compensation is \$17.50/hour. Deadline to apply is **Sept. 30 at 6pm EST**.

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LEVY RATNER, P.C. - SUMMER 2025 LABOR LAW CLERK

Levy Ratner, an NYC firm representing workers, unions, and employee benefit funds, seeks a full-time, in person law clerk for Summer 2025. Compensation is between \$1,015-\$1,050/week, depending on class year. Early applications encouraged. Applications accepted until **Sept. 30** or when position is filled.

NRDC - 2025 SUMMER LEGAL INTERNSHIPS

NRDC, a non-profit environmental advocacy organization, is hiring a class of Summer Legal Interns to work with attorneys across NRDC in any of their U.S. Offices. This is a paid internship and NRDC offers up to \$10,000 for the 10-week program. The deadline to apply is **Nov. 30** and offers will be made on a rolling basis. Early applications encouraged.

SOUTHERN ENVIRONMENTAL LAW CENTER - SUMMER 2025 LEGAL INTERNSHIPS

SELC is accepting applications from 2Ls for the following offices: Asheville, NC; Atlanta, GA; Birmingham, AL; Chapel Hill, NC; Charleston, SC; Charlottesville, VA; and Nashville, TN. Students will have the opportunity to work on a full range of issues of particular importance to the South - clean air, clean and adequate water, energy, forests, coasts, and communities. Interns receive \$900/week. Deadline to apply is **Sept. 22**. Positions filled on a rolling basis.

NATIONAL LABOR RELATIONS BOARD HONORS ATTORNEY PROGRAM

The NLRB Honors Attorney Program allows select candidates an opportunity to work directly beside practicing labor lawyers and technical professionals in its Washington, D.C. Headquarters and Regional Offices. This comprehensive program is designed to introduce highly motivated individuals to the field of labor law. Applications should be submitted via USAjobs.gov. The position postings are active through **Sept. 13, 2024**.

DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING & URBAN DEVELOPMENT - LEGAL HONORS PROGRAM

The Legal Honors Program is HUD's primary hiring program for entry-level attorneys. Legal Honors are provided opportunities to rotate through OGC Divisions in Headquarters and Regional and Field Offices. Successful candidates begin work in August or September and participate in a 14-month appointment leading into a permanent position and placement, pending bar admission and program completion. Deadline to apply is **Sept. 23, 2024**.

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR - HONORS PROGRAM

The Honors Program in the Office of the Solicitor at the U.S. Department of Labor provides challenging professional opportunities for outstanding law school graduates. Honors Program attorneys work in the Solicitor's Office either at the department's headquarters in Washington, D.C., or in one of seven regional offices, gaining exposure to a broad range of substantive legal work in one of the government's preeminent legal offices. Deadline to apply is **Sept. 30, 2024**.

FEMA HONORS ATTORNEY PROGRAM

During the two-year rotational program in FEMA's Office of Chief Counsel (OCC), honors attorneys work with various legal divisions within FEMA, gaining exposure to a broad range of substantive legal work as part of a dynamic, collaborative team supporting FEMA's distinctive emergency management mission. Deadline to apply is **Sept. 30, 2024**.

NEW YORK ATTORNEY GENERAL FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM

The Office of the New York State Attorney General (OAG) is recruiting applicants for the 2025 Attorney General Fellowship Program. This is a two (2) year program for six (6) law school graduates. Admission to the New York State Bar within the Fellow's first year is a condition of continued employment. Placements available in Albany, New York City, and Poughkeepsie. Deadline to apply is **Oct. 4, 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**.

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 [HERE](#). Deadline to apply is **Oct. 20, 2024**. Questions? Contact Stephanie Storke at [ssstorke@law.stetson.edu](mailto:sstorke@law.stetson.edu).

SUNRISE OF PASCO - 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. Applications being accepted until position filled. Apply through Symplcity under Job listings. Compensation up to \$70,000 depending on experience.

EQUAL JUSTICE INITIATIVE LEGAL FELLOWSHIP

2-year fully funded fellowship for graduating law students beginning September 2025, based in Montgomery, AL. EJI is a nonprofit law office and human rights organization that provides legal assistance to condemned prisoners, children in the criminal justice system, people wrongly convicted or sentenced, and the poor and vulnerable facing imprisonment. Deadline to apply is **Nov. 8, 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.

CHRISTINE A. BRUNSWICK PUBLIC SERVICE FELLOWSHIP

The Section awards up to two Fellowships annually to recent law school graduates or judicial clerks working in public interest tax law with a non-profit organization or government entity (the "Sponsoring Organization"). As part of the Fellowship, the Section provides an unrestricted grant to the Sponsoring Organization for two years equal to the Fellow's salary, payroll taxes, and benefits. Deadline to apply is **Nov. 8, 2024**. Candidates must secure a sponsoring organization before applying.

NATIONAL DISTRICT ATTORNEYS ASSOCIATION (NDAA) JOB FAIR

The NDAA is hosting a Job Fair February 1-2 at the Hotel Washington in downtown D.C. Students can view the list of participating employers [here](#). Registration for law students and job seekers is free. Register by **Friday, January 24** to attend.

STETSON LAW PRO BONO FAIR

Come meet public interest and government attorneys and non-profit representatives from organizations offering legal and non-legal pro bono opportunities! The Pro Bono Fair is an opportunity for students to network and talk with organizations about pro bono work, summer employment, academic year placements, and other career opportunities. This Fair will be an in-person, table-talk format in the Great Hall on **Thursday, October 24** from 4:30-7:00 p.m.

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RESOURCES

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 ssstorke@law.stetson.edu.

Arizona Handbooks

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 Opportunities 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

PSJD (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.

Symlicity

Monitor Symlicity 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.