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I.UPCOMING WEBINARS:

Equal Justice Works Webinar: Crash Course on Summer Funding.

Learn about finding fellowships and stipends to fund summer public interest law internships!

Register even if you can't make it, and we'll send you a recording after it's done.

Mar 15, 2017 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM EDT

EJW Webinar: Crash Course on Public Interest Job Search Hunting:

Searching for a public interest job or internship can be one of the hardest things you do while in law school.

This webinar will provide you with some helpful digital tools you can use to help you land your

public interest law dream job!

Wed, Mar 29, 2017 12:15PM - 1:00PM EDT

II. PUBLIC INTEREST SUMMER FUNDING

Rutgers Public Interest Stipend Application is now Available!

Rutgers Law School's public interest summer stipend programs provide support to select Rutgers Law School students who have earned offers for full-time, unpaid summer public interest internships. In addition, our summer funding programs strive to build a community among public interest minded students and to provide professional development opportunities with the New Jersey and national public interest community. The joint application for Maida and APIL funds is designed to streamline the application process for students. You will first be considered for Maida funding (\$4,000). If you are not selected for a Maida Fellowship, you will be considered for an APIL Fellowship.

All application materials should be arranged as one single PDF document (no photographs!) and must be emailed to Pam Mertsock-Wolfe (pmertsoc@camden.rutgers.edu) by April 1, 2017, 12:00pm.

Please see <https://law.rutgers.edu/job-search-toolkit> for proper format of resumes, cover letters and references.



EQUAL JUSTICE AMERICA
LAW STUDENT FELLOWSHIPS

Equal Justice America Legal Services Fellowships: Funds 100 law students pursuing civil legal services work

[Equal Justice America](#) provides \$4,000 fellowships to students who accept full-time summer public interest employment at a non-profit organization in the U.S. providing direct civil legal assistance for the poor. Placements with public defender offices and government agencies do not qualify. Equal Justice America sponsors fellowships for 100 law students at more than 75 law schools, including Rutgers Law School.

Application Instructions: To [apply](#) applicants must send a cover letter describing their commitment and interest in providing legal services to the poor, a resume, two letters of recommendation, and an employment confirmation letter from the hiring organization to Equal Justice America.

Applications must be sent no later than March 20, 2017. Awards will be announced by email on or around April 21, 2016. Please send your completed application to Equal Justice America at applications@equaljusticeamerica.org.

III. SUMMER 2017 INTERNSHIPS

ESSEX JUVENILE SECTION, OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC DEFENDER

The Office of the Public Defender's Essex Juvenile Section is looking for 2-3 interns. Interns will be appear in court every day and will represent youth during their detention hearings. The work is fast paced and requires you to be on your feet and to manage multiple clients at a time; you will be responsible for negotiating with the prosecutor, interviewing your client and advocating for the best result for your client before the judge. In addition, you will have the opportunity to work closely with attorneys representing juveniles who are currently incarcerated. The office is supportive and is a great learning environment!

Application Instructions: This position is open to current *2Ls and 3LEs*, if you are interested, please submit your resume and cover letter to Paula Getty at paula.getty@opd.nj.gov

Feel free to contact Farah Rahman'17 with any questions.

CENTER FOR LAW AND SOCIAL JUSTICE AT MEDGAR EVERS COLLEGE

<http://clsj.org/>

Job Description

The Center for Law and Social Justice at Medgar Evers College, CUNY (CLSJ) is a 30 year old racial justice legal center that provides quality advocacy, training, and expert services in a personal manner to African descendant communities and the disenfranchised. CLSJ seeks to accomplish its mission by conducting research, and initiating advocacy projects and litigation on behalf of community organizations and groups that promote human, national, and international understanding. CLSJ sponsors advocacy projects and litigation in areas as diverse as housing and employment discrimination, police and racial violence, public education, voting rights, and United States human rights violations. Because of its unique combination of research, public policy advocacy and litigation from a community-based perspective, CLSJ is a focal point for progressive activity. We seek law students or LLM students to work alongside staff in our Brooklyn, New York office on CLSJ policy, advocacy, research, and litigation initiatives. Activities may include policy and legal analysis; legislative drafting at state and local levels; administrative and legislative advocacy; public education and scholarship; and litigation. CLSJ summer interns are integral to all aspects of our work, including programmatic and strategic planning. We strive to offer an intellectually stimulating and exciting summer internship experience. Summer internships are processed in six week increments and interns can work for up to two (2) six week sessions per summer.



Stipend: CLSJ Legal Internships are unpaid positions; however CLSJ will work with applicants and their law schools to secure academic credit or public interest, grant or foundation funding.

Qualifications: Excellent legal research, analysis, and writing skills; awareness of the ways that critical race theory and intersectionality's impact the practical application of the law in African descendant communities, versatility and a passion for racial justice issues.

Application Instructions:

How to Apply: Interested students should prepare a single PDF or Microsoft Word document containing each of the following: 1) a cover letter explaining why the applicant believes s/he is a good fit for CLSJ; 2) a current resume; 3) a current law school transcript; 4) a legal writing sample; and 6) contact information for three references. The applicant submission file must be emailed to: CenLSJ@mec.cuny.edu with "Summer Legal Internship" in the subject line.

Application Deadline: 03/31/2017

SUMMER 2017 CONSERVATIVE/LIBERTARIAN CLERKSHIP: Institute for Justice

<http://www.ij.org>

Arlington, VA
Tempe, AZ
Bellevue, WA
Miami, FL
Minneapolis, MN
Austin, TX

The Institute for Justice employs law clerks during the school year and throughout the summer. Clerks participate in the day-to-day activities that make up the Institute's fast-paced, cutting-edge litigation docket. IJ's legal staff relies on clerks for assistance with legal research, litigation strategy, developing potential cases, brief writing, drafting affidavits and discovery requests, and a host of other key litigation responsibilities. Summer clerks will participate in IJ's annual Law Student Conference in Arlington, VA, at the beginning of the summer, and IJ's summer-long speaker series through which they will get to connect with the leading minds and advocates of the liberty movement.

Summer clerkships are highly competitive and usually run from the beginning of June through mid-August. IJ is hiring for summer clerks in the following offices:

In addition, IJ has individual research projects that can be completed by students nationwide, either to fulfill mandatory pro bono assignments or on a volunteer basis.

Application Instructions:

To apply, please use the link below to submit a cover letter, resume, and writing sample. Please use the "Add Cover Letter," "Add Resume," and "Add Portfolio" features to do so. *Unfortunately, at this time, we cannot accommodate clerkship applicants that wish to work remotely.*

When submitting your cover letter please answer the following questions on a subsequent page:

- I am applying to the following IJ offices:
- If you are applying to more than one office, please list the offices in order of preference:
- Why IJ this summer? What do you hope to gain from a clerkship with us?
- Which IJ pillar most interests you and why?

- How did you first learn about IJ?

Application Deadline: 03/17/2017

TEXAS RIOGRANDE LEGAL AID (TRLA)

<http://www.trla.org>

Established in 1970, Texas Regrade Legal Aid (TRLA) is a nonprofit organization that provides free civil legal services to low-income and disadvantaged clients in a 68-county service area that covers the southwestern third of the state of Texas, including the entire Texas-Mexico border region. TRLA also serves migrant and seasonal farm workers throughout Texas and six southern states (Louisiana, Arkansas, Mississippi, Alabama, Tennessee and Kentucky). The 68 county service areas include the cities of San Antonio, Austin, Victoria, Corpus Christi, Laredo, El Paso and the Rio Grande Valley.

TRLA's staff includes approximately 170 lawyers and 55 paralegals and social workers located in 19 offices throughout the state. Program headquarters are in Weslaco, in the Lower Rio Grande Valley of Texas, with branch offices located in Austin, El Paso, Corpus Christi, San Antonio, Del Rio, Eagle Pass, Harlingen, Edinburg, Laredo, Sinton, and Victoria. TRLA also houses its Southern Migrant Legal Services Project out of an office in Nashville, TN.



Texas Regrade Legal Aid's mission is to promote the dignity, self-sufficiency, safety and stability of low-income Texans by providing high quality civil legal assistance and related educational services. Migrant and seasonal farm workers, domestic violence victims, victims of elder abuse, the homeless, and displaced workers are among the many clients served each year by TRLA staff. Cases range from routine family law counseling to complex litigation in state and federal courts from the

local Justice of the Peace to the United States Supreme Court. TRLA is the largest legal aid provider in Texas, and the third largest of its kind in the entire U.S. TRLA is a dynamic public interest firm that allows its associates to practice in over 60 substantive practice areas while serving the indigent community.

Job Description: TRLA is looking for dedicated and interested law students wishing to pursue an experience in the public interest sector and join the experienced and talented TRLA family for the summer 2017.

Application Instruction: Please submit *a cover letter and resume* to Monica Bustamante, Recruitment Coordinator at mbustamante@trla.org and on the email subject line indicate the position and preferred office location, if any.

IV. POST-GRADUATE FELLOWSHIPS

KNIGHT FIRST AMENDMENT INSTITUTE

at Columbia University

KNIGHT FIRST AMENDMENT INSTITUTE AT COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY

The Knight First Amendment Institute works to preserve and expand the freedoms of speech and the press in the digital age through strategic litigation, research, and public education. We aim to be a vibrant community, a generator of new ideas, a distinctive voice for these fundamental freedoms in public discourse, and their effective defender in the courts. Over time, we expect to tackle a wide range of issues including free speech on social media, net neutrality, government surveillance, intermediary liability, the rights of whistleblowers, the right of journalists to protect their sources, the right of citizens to record and broadcast police activity, encryption, machine speech, and government transparency.

The newly established Knight First Amendment Institute at Columbia University is looking for recent law school graduates to join us for a one-year fellowship. We are looking for creative, motivated, and committed lawyers to join us in the defense of the freedoms of speech and the press. You'll do groundbreaking First Amendment litigation and help us in the early stages of building an exciting new free-speech advocacy and research organization. The fellowship is a full-time, one-year position, based at Columbia University in New York City and starts in the fall of 2017. (Candidates who could start earlier should so indicate in their cover letters.)

Position Specific Qualifications

- Admission to the New York bar or the ability to gain admission quickly, a demonstrated interest in issues relating to the freedoms of speech and the press, a strong academic record, and superior research, analytical, writing, and interpersonal skills.
- Familiarity with the complex issues arising at the intersection of free speech and new technology is preferred.

Application Instructions:

Candidates should submit the following materials through the [Columbia University Jobs](#) site on or before March 24, 2017:

- Cover letter explaining your interest in the fellowship, including a description of any relevant life or work experience (Applicants who have access to external sources of funding should so indicate in their cover letter)
- Resume
- Two or three letters of recommendation
- Official or unofficial law school transcript
- One or two writing samples, at least one of which should include legal analysis

Application Deadline: 03/24/2017

NEW YORK UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW - INSTITUTE FOR LAW AND SOCIETY



Job Description

New York University School of Law has openings in fellowships for the 2017- 2018 academic year. The purpose of these fellowships is to promote research and curriculum development in subjects related to legal issues in these areas. The fellowships broadly encompass topics including but not limited to startup ventures, corporate social responsibility, impact investing, as well as issues of finance, restructuring and other business topics. The fellowship is open to third year law students and recent law school graduates with the strongest credentials and the most exciting ideas.

The Law and Business Entrepreneurship Fellowships are being administered by NYU School of Law under the auspices of the Jacobson Leadership Program in Law and Business. Fellows are expected to produce a substantial piece of work during their time at the Law School. A proposed plan for the fellowship year—specifying the need for the project, goals to be met by the project, how the goals will further the field of focus, and a timeline—will provide the basis for applications. Fellows will work on their project and participate in activities of the Jacobson Leadership Program and other faculty workshops and colloquia. The fellows will benefit from the mentorship of Jacobson Leadership Program Faculty Directors Helen Scott, Professor of Law, and Gerald Rosenfeld, Professor of Practice and Distinguished Scholar in Residence, Business Clinical Professor of Business at NYU Stern, and Advisor to the CEO and Vice Chairman of US Investment Banking at Lazard Ltd. Fellows receive a stipend for the coming academic year, as well as health insurance and a space to work in the Law School. The directors will select the fellows. Projects will be selected for funding based upon the potential of their research to enable a more robust and nuanced understanding. Fellows will be chosen on the basis of their demonstrated academic excellence, and the quality and feasibility of the proposed project.

The application cycle for the Fellowship closes on March 31 at midnight. The fellowship will last for one year, from June 2017 through July 2018. Applications should include: a short statement describing prior experiences that demonstrate applicant's interests and aspirations for future work as well as the Project proposal and plan. Applications should also include: curriculum vitae; law school transcript; copies of any publications; two letters of recommendation from individuals familiar with the candidate's academic or professional qualifications. Please email your application to LeadershipProgram@mercury.law.nyu.edu.

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Application Deadline: 03/31/2017

