

# OFFICE OF PUBLIC INTEREST AND COMMUNITY SERVICE

## SUMMER 2007 INTERNSHIP FUNDING SOURCES

Many summer public interest internships are unpaid. Fortunately, there are number of programs that offer law students a stipend to fund their summer work. Most programs require students to secure a job on their own and then apply for funding. Additionally, there are a few programs that provide a nominal stipend for students to intern in designated public interest agencies throughout the U.S. The following list includes both types of programs. However, your options are not limited to this list. We suggest you think creatively. Many students have successfully found funding through consultation with their employer. They may be aware of funding that previous interns received or less well-known programs available in their geographic location or practice area. Students can also contact the appropriate state or city bar association to determine whether there are any local programs that provide funding to law students with a public interest internship in that community. Many bar associations have discretionary pots of money that may be earmarked to support interns at local public interest agencies.

In addition, keep in mind that there are some paid opportunities for summer public interest and government work. OPICS and the Office of Career Services regularly receive job announcements for positions that pay students an hourly wage or stipend for the summer. Check the Symplicity job listing site for announcements of paid positions and be sure to look at the other resources in both OPICS and OCS that advertise summer positions.

## FUNDING FOR GEORGETOWN LAW STUDENTS ONLY

### Georgetown Equal Justice Foundation (EJF)

Phone: 202-662-9258

E-Mail: [ejf@law.georgetown.edu](mailto:ejf@law.georgetown.edu)

The 2007 application is now available at [www.law.georgetown.edu/opics/summerfund.html](http://www.law.georgetown.edu/opics/summerfund.html).

- EJF raises money to provide GULC students with summer stipends for work in a domestic or international public interest or government agency.
- 144 fellowships were awarded for the summer of 2006.
- Stipend is \$3250.
- Term: Students must work full-time (35-40 hours per week) for 10 weeks. (Part time awards are also available)
- The application procedure requires that applicants first obtain an offer of employment from a qualifying organization.
- **Application deadline: March 15, 2007**

### Foley & Lardner/Georgetown Pro Bono Internship

- Provides \$5000 stipend for one Georgetown First Year student to spend 7 weeks at the DC Archdiocesan Legal Network & 3 weeks at Foley & Lardner's DC office.
- Information will be available in January, 2007.
- **Application deadline: Information will be available in February, 2007. Last year's application deadline was mid-March**

### Howrey "HELPS" – Howrey Externs for Legal Pro Bono Service

- Provides \$5000 stipends to 2 Georgetown First Year Students
- Candidates must have an offer from a DC public interest non-profit agency. Slight preference will be given to students interning at selected agencies.
- **Application deadline: Information will be available in February, 2007. Last year's application deadline was early March.**

### McClellan Fellowship

- The McClellan Fellowship provides stipends to 2L/3E Georgetown Law students undertaking unpaid summer internships with organizations providing direct legal representation to underrepresented individuals and groups. Eligible organizations include public defender offices and civil legal services organizations. Qualifying agencies can be either domestic or internationally based. Government agencies and groups focusing exclusively on policy do not qualify.
- Summer 2007 award amount to be determined

- Application will be available on the OPICS website in mid-February, 2007
- **Application deadline: Last year's application deadline was mid-March.**

### Sonnenschein Scholars Program

- Provides \$4000 stipends to two Georgetown First Year students.
- Selected students must pursue a public sector internship for the summer of 2007
- Candidates will be nominated by OPICS. Selection will be based on academic performance in undergrad or grad school, demonstrated qualities of leadership and commitment to public service.
- **Application deadline: Information will be available in February, 2007**

## Nationwide Summer Funding Sources & Funded Internship Programs

### ABA Commission on Homelessness and Poverty/John J. Curtin, Jr. Legal Internship

Phone: 202-662-1694

Contact: Amy Horton Newell      E-mail [homeless@abanet.org](mailto:homeless@abanet.org) or [hortona@staff.abanet.org](mailto:hortona@staff.abanet.org)

Website: [www.abanet.org/homeless/curtin.html](http://www.abanet.org/homeless/curtin.html)

- Qualified summer employers include bar association programs, legal services programs and nonprofit organizations which have programs dedicated to meeting the legal needs and concerns of homeless and indigent people and their advocates. To be considered, programs must have been operational for at least one year and must have an attorney on staff or easily available to the intern.
- Term: Requires no less than 8 continuous weeks of work between May 1 and October 1.
- \$2,500 stipend.
- **Application deadline: Postmarked by March 19, 2007.** Applications are available online.

### AFL-CIO Law Student Union Summer

Phone: (202) 637-5336

Contact: Nancy Schiffer      E-mail: [nschiffe@aflcio.org](mailto:nschiffe@aflcio.org)

Website: <http://www.aflcio.org/aboutus/unionsummer/lsus.cfm>

- The AFL-CIO sponsors a summer internship for 10 law students in unions throughout the country (Pittsburgh, New Haven, Miami, Burlington, LA, Cleveland, Oakland)
- Applicants must have a demonstrated interest in the practice of labor law & applications are available online at [www.aflcio.org/aboutunions/unionsummer](http://www.aflcio.org/aboutunions/unionsummer).
- Term: 10 weeks
- Stipend: \$450/wk and transportation and housing expenses are also included.
- **Application deadline: 2Ls - November 5, 2006; 1Ls - January 31, 2007.**

### Appleseed Foundation - Robert H. Mundheim Appleseed Fellowship

Phone: 202-347-7960

Contact: Michael Tune, [mtune@appleseeds.net](mailto:mtune@appleseeds.net)

Website: <http://appleseeds.net/servlet/LegalFellowships>

- The Appleseed Foundation addresses social justice issues through the legal system, education, and advocacy. It works at the local level, with 17 Appleseed Centers across North America that develop practical and lasting solutions to chronic injustice in the social institutions that affect people's lives, including public education, health care, child welfare, immigration, housing, electoral reform, corporate accountability, and affirmative action.
- Fellows will work in DC, as well as Appleseed Centers throughout the country on varying types of projects that may include legal and community organizing, research and writing, and policy research.
- To apply, please send a resume/cover letter to the contact named above.
- **Application deadline: No deadline listed.**

### **Arthur C. Helton Fellowship Program**

The American Society of International Law

Contact: Andrew Solomon      E-Mail: [fellowship@asil.org](mailto:fellowship@asil.org)

Website: [www.asil.org/aboutasil/Heltonindex.html](http://www.asil.org/aboutasil/Heltonindex.html)

- Provides “micro-grants” of up to \$1000 for law students and recent graduates to pursue field work and research on significant issues involving international law, human rights, humanitarian affairs, and related areas.
- Applicant will work with an established educational institution, NGO or human rights organization.
- Preferential treatment will be given to proposals with a significant fieldwork component and to those involving the human rights of refugees, internally displaced persons, and other vulnerable populations.
- Applications are available online
- **Application deadline: February 26, 2007**

### **Bergstrom Fellowship- University of Michigan Law School**

The Michigan Child Welfare Law Program

Contact: Alicia Lixey, Training Coordinator      E-mail: [lixey@umich.edu](mailto:lixey@umich.edu)

Website: <http://www.law.umich.edu/CentersandPrograms/clinical/calcs/summerfellowship.htm>

- Limited funding support available for law students working nationwide in legal or social service agencies specializing in representation of children or parents.
- Placements can be found after acceptance into fellowship program.
- Fellows must attend a 3-day training at the end of May at the University of Michigan.
- Up to \$500 in travel expenses for training may be provided.
- Term: Interns must work a minimum of 10 weeks.
- **Application deadline: February 1, 2007.**

### **Environmental Careers Organization (ECO)/ CEIP Fund, Inc.**

Phone: 617-426-4375

Fax: 617-423-0998

E-mail: [info@eco.org](mailto:info@eco.org)

Website: [www.eco.org](http://www.eco.org)

- ECO offers a wide variety of paid legal and non-legal internships in the fields of environmental protection, public policy and community development, and resource management.
- There is no application deadline, but early applications generally receive the best responses.
- Positions are posted throughout the year and application deadlines are usually within three weeks of a job being posted.
- **Application deadline: deadlines vary.**

### **Equal Justice America Legal Service Fellowships**

Phone: 804-744-4200

E-mail: [info@equaljusticeamerica.org](mailto:info@equaljusticeamerica.org)

Website: <http://www.equaljusticeamerica.org/ApplicationSummer2006.htm>

- Fellowships are school-specific, with several usually earmarked for Georgetown students. Please note, however, that this program is not a Georgetown-sponsored fellowship program.
- Students may work anywhere in the US, provided that the hiring organization is a non-profit organization providing direct civil legal services to the poor.
- Students must work full-time (35-40 hours per week) for at least 10 weeks.
- \$4000 stipend.
- To apply, send a cover letter describing 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 by the deadline. All application materials must be sent together. Students should indicate on the cover letter whether or not they have work-study funding. An employment confirmation letter is required before a fellowship will be awarded.
- **Application deadline: March 20, 2007. Awards will be announced by April 21, 2007.**

## Equal Justice Works Summer Corps Grants

Phone: 202-466-3686

Email: [summercorps@equaljusticeworks.org](mailto:summercorps@equaljusticeworks.org)

Website: <http://www.equaljusticeworks.org/find/index.php?view=detail&id=1213>

- The Summer Corps is an Americorps funded program that provides over 350 law students with the opportunity to earn a \$1,000 education award voucher for spending the summer in a qualifying internship at a non-profit, public interest organization.
- Preference will be given to projects that serve hurricane victims and evacuees in LA, MS, TX and AL.
- **Application deadline: The web application will be open from March 21 – April 2, 2007**

## Everett Public Service Internship Program

Co-op America, Inc.

Phone: 202-872-5344

E-mail: [info@everettinternships.org](mailto:info@everettinternships.org)

Website: <http://www.everettinternships.org>

- Sponsors 200 summer internships for graduate and undergraduate students at over 60 nonprofit organizations nationwide.
- Term: Students must work full-time for 10 weeks. Stipend is \$230 per week.
- Interested students should apply directly to participating organizations—a list of employers is available through the website (i.e, The Center on Budget and Policy Priorities, Alliance for Justice, Human Rights Watch, The National Women's Law Center, The Urban Justice Center and many others)
- **Application deadline: deadlines vary.**

## Federal Communications Bar Association Foundation

Phone: 202-293-4000

E-mail: [heidi@fcba.org](mailto:heidi@fcba.org)

Website: [www.fcba.org/foundation/internship\\_stipends.shtml](http://www.fcba.org/foundation/internship_stipends.shtml)

- The FCBA will award five, \$5000 stipends to law students employed as unpaid summer interns in communication positions within government offices.
- Applicants will be considered based on their demonstrated interest in the communications field, their involvement in community activities, and their dependence on financial assistance in order to accept an unpaid internship.
- **Application deadline: March 9, 2007**

## Haywood Burns Memorial Fellowships for Social and Economic Justice / National Lawyer's Guild Summer Legal Internships

Phone: 212-679-5100 x 14, Fax: 212-679-2811

Contact: Ian Brannigan E-mail: [nlgmember@nlg.org](mailto:nlgmember@nlg.org)

Website: [www.nlg.org/students/students.htm](http://www.nlg.org/students/students.htm)

- The NLG funds legal interns at 24 diverse, pre-selected public interest organizations throughout the country.
- Term: ten weeks
- Stipend is \$2000.
- **Application deadline: Last year's deadline was late January.**

## Janet Steiger Fellowship Program

ABA Section of Antitrust Law

American Bar Association

Contact: Deborah Douglas

E-mail: [douglasd@staff@abanet.org](mailto:douglasd@staff@abanet.org)

Website: <http://www.abanet.org/antitrust/at-law-student/at-js-project.shtml>

- Summer fellows will work in the consumer protection departments of selected State Attorney's General Offices (CT, DE, GA, MI, OR, SD, VT & WI).
- Eight fellowships available – open to first and second year students.
- Term: a minimum of 8 weeks.
- \$5000 stipend.
- **Application deadline: February 2, 2007.**

### **Peggy Browning Fund Summer Internship**

Phone: 212-665-1600

Fax: 212-665-1768

Contact: Mary Anne Moffa                      Email: [mmoffa@peggybrowningfund.org](mailto:mmoffa@peggybrowningfund.org)

Website: [www.peggybrowningfund.org](http://www.peggybrowningfund.org)

- Provides 25 summer internships for 1L and 2L students with participating labor related organizations throughout the country.
- A cover letter, resume and completed application form must be sent to each eligible work site to which you wish to apply. A copy of each complete application must also be sent to the Peggy Browning Fund.
- \$4,000 stipend
- Term: 10 weeks
- **Application deadline: Friday, January 12, 2007**

### **Pride Law Fund Summer Fellowship**

Phone: 415-788-0900

Contact: Dena Narbaitz or Rudy Reyes                      E-mail: [info@pridelawfund.org](mailto:info@pridelawfund.org)

Website: <http://www.pridelawfund.org/fellowships/summer.html>

- The Achtenberg Fellowship supports the work of concern to the lesbian and gay community in the public sector, regarding public policy or of a public service nature.
- The Block Fellowship supports work in the area of lesbian, gay, bisexual, or transgendered civil rights and education.
- The Morgan Fellowship supports legal work on issues of concern to lesbians and bisexual women.
- The Richter Fellowship supports work in the area of HIV/AIDS, including legal services to people with HIV and/or AIDS.
- Term: Projects must last at least 8 weeks, with preference given to those that last at least 10 weeks.
- The number and amount of Fellowships given each year is discretionary. In the past, Pride Law Fund has typically awarded fellowships in the range of \$300-\$2,500 (depending on requested funding and the existence of additional funding sources).
- Fellowships can be used to supplement other summer fellowships or income as long as total funding does not exceed \$5,000.
- **Application deadline: April 1, 2007.**

### **Robert Masur Fellowship in Civil Liberties, The Nation Institute**

Phone: 212-209-5400

E-mail: [info@nationinstitute.org](mailto:info@nationinstitute.org)

Website: [www.nationinstitute.org/awards/masur](http://www.nationinstitute.org/awards/masur)

- The Masur Fellowship is awarded to a first year law student spending the summer focusing on civil rights or civil liberties.
- Proposed activities may include a writing or research project, work with a public interest organization, work on a case under the supervision of a law faculty member or lawyer, or any other work in the areas of civil rights or civil liberties.
- The fellowship comes with a \$1,000 honorarium.
- Applicants should send a one-to-two page proposal to the Institute describing their intended summer project, along with a resume and the name of their faculty or organization sponsor.
- **Application deadline: May 31, 2007.**

## **SUMMER FUNDING AVAILABLE FOR SPECIFIC LOCATIONS**

### **Alaska Conservation Foundation Internship Program**

Email: [acfinfo@akcf.org](mailto:acfinfo@akcf.org)

Website: [www.akcf.org/pages/programs\\_amp\\_initiatives/information\\_for\\_interns.php](http://www.akcf.org/pages/programs_amp_initiatives/information_for_interns.php)

- The program coordinates internships offered in various agencies in Alaska, including legal internships.
- The amount of stipends, length of internships, and housing assistance differ depending on the internship.
- Internships generally last 12 weeks.
- **Application deadline: February 15, 2007.**

## Asian American Bar Association of the Greater Bay Area (AABA)/AABA Law Foundation

Website: <http://www.aaba-bay.com/aaba/showpage.asp?code=summergrant>

- The AABA offers funding to qualified summer law clerks to work on legal projects that provide free legal services to the Asian American community for a minimum of 10 weeks.
- **Application deadline: Last year's deadline was mid-June, 2006.**

## Frankel Fellowships, Human Rights First

Attn: Internship Coordinator

Phone: 212-845-5200

Website: [http://www.humanrightsfirst.org/about\\_us/jobs/interns.htm](http://www.humanrightsfirst.org/about_us/jobs/interns.htm)

- Two \$1,000 stipends awarded each summer - one for a student working in the New York City office and in the Washington, DC office.
- Students will work ten weeks in HRF's Asylum Program.
- Applications by e-mail are preferred.
- **Application deadline: February 1, 2007**

## Hispanic Bar Association of the District of Columbia - Washington, DC

Phone: 202-388-4990

E-mail: [foundation@hbadc.org](mailto:foundation@hbadc.org)

Website: [www.hbadc.org/foundation.html](http://www.hbadc.org/foundation.html)

- HBA funds two fellowships each summer for first and second year law students to work in a not-for-profit (non-governmental) legal services agency in Washington, D.C.
- Students must secure sponsorship on their own, and then apply to the HBA-DC for funding. Eligible students are first and second year law students in Washington, DC.
- Stipend: \$3,500.
- **Application deadline: Information not yet posted. Last year the applications were due in April.**

## Legal Aid Association of California, Dan Bradley Summer Fellowship Program

Phone: 415-834-0100

Email: [laac@pic.org](mailto:laac@pic.org)

Website: <http://www.calegaladvocates.org/laacapos-dan-bradley-fellowship-program.cfm>

- LAAC funds six law students to work at legal services programs (that are LAAC members) in the state of California.
- Fellows must work a minimum of eight weeks and will receive a stipend of \$3,500.
- Applicants must have a strong interest in working to defend and expand the legal rights of the poor and disadvantaged. People of color and students from low-income or working class backgrounds are particularly encouraged to apply.
- **Application deadline: April 13, 2007.** Applications must be jointly submitted by the applicant and a representative from an eligible legal services program.

## Massachusetts Bar Foundation - State of Massachusetts

Massachusetts Bar Foundation

Phone: 617-338-0534

Website: [www.massbarfoundation.org/grant\\_programs/legal\\_intern/](http://www.massbarfoundation.org/grant_programs/legal_intern/)

- Offers four \$6000 stipends to law students who intern for a non-profit (civil) legal services organization in MA.
- Term: Students must work a minimum of 10 weeks.
- **Application deadline: Friday, March 16, 2007.** Students are generally notified of their status by the end of April.

## McCleary Law Fellows Program

Human Rights Campaign

Phone: (202) 572-8981

Contact: Kia Higgins, [kia.higgins@hrc.org](mailto:kia.higgins@hrc.org)

Website: [http://www.hrc.org/Content/NavigationMenu/About\\_HRC/Law\\_Fellowships.htm](http://www.hrc.org/Content/NavigationMenu/About_HRC/Law_Fellowships.htm)

- HRC awards four full time (11 week) summer fellowships. McCleary Fellows work with HRC attorneys, outside counsel with major national law firms, lobbyists, organizational allies and Congressional and White House staff members on legislative, regulatory and internal corporate matters.
- **Application deadline: March 6, 2007.** Applications are accepted on a rolling basis, so please apply early.

## New Jersey Public Interest Legal Intern Fellowship Program - State of New Jersey

Phone: 732-572-9100

Contact: Patti Koncius E-mail: [lsnj@lsnj.org](mailto:lsnj@lsnj.org) or [pkoncius@lsnj.org](mailto:pkoncius@lsnj.org)

Website: [www.lsnj.org/internprog.htm](http://www.lsnj.org/internprog.htm)

- The program places law students in public interest legal organizations in New Jersey. Students must apply directly to Legal Services of New Jersey, which will refer prospective candidates to participating employers for final selection. They expect that they will have approximately 22 positions.
- Term: 10 weeks
- Stipend for first year students is \$500 per week. Second year students receive \$750 per week. Applications and detailed information are available online at [www.lsnj.org/employment/intern2006.pdf](http://www.lsnj.org/employment/intern2006.pdf).
- **Application deadline: Applications are considered on a rolling basis until all positions have been filled.**

## Pennsylvania Legal Services Martin Luther King Internship Program-State of Pennsylvania

118 Locust Street

Harrisburg, PA 17101-1414

Phone: 800-322-7572

E-mail: [cnewcomer@palegalservices.org](mailto:cnewcomer@palegalservices.org)

Website: [http://www.palegalservices.org/PLANWeb/mlk\\_program.htm](http://www.palegalservices.org/PLANWeb/mlk_program.htm)

- Martin Luther King (MLK) Interns are assigned to local legal service programs across the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. Interns are selected and assigned by the Martin Luther King, Jr. Hiring and Training Committee.
- The Hiring Committee will assign selected interns to local legal service agencies.
- Minority law students from any law school are invited to apply.
- **Application deadline: applications are accepted on a rolling basis, usually through March.**

## Public Interest Law Initiative (PILI) of Chicago Summer Internship Program - Chicago

C/O Foley & Lardner

Phone: 312-832-5127

Contact: Susan Curry, Executive Director E-mail: [pili@pili-law.org](mailto:pili@pili-law.org) or [scurry@pili-law.org](mailto:scurry@pili-law.org)

Website: <http://www.pili-law.org/PILISTudentInternships.htm>

- Each year PILI recruits about 45 law students from across the nation for summer internships with public interest law agencies in the Chicago metropolitan area.
- \$5000 stipend for 10 weeks of work at one of 20 PILI-affiliated agencies (a list of the agencies can be found online).
- **Application deadline: Applications will be filled on a rolling basis through March, 2007.**

## The Robert M. Takasugi Summer Fellowship Program-California

Phone: 415-788-9000

Email: Edwin Prather, [ekprather@takasugifellowship.com](mailto:ekprather@takasugifellowship.com)

Website: [www.takasugifellowship.com](http://www.takasugifellowship.com)

- Two \$5000 fellowships will be awarded: one for a student working in the San Francisco Bay Area and one for a student working in the greater Los Angeles metropolitan area.
- Funding is available for work at approved non-profit agencies and public defenders' offices.
- To apply, send a resume and cover letter describing your interest in and/or dedication to the ideals of Judge Takasugi to the above address.
- **Application deadline: March 16, 2007**

**Women Lawyers Fran Kandel Public Interest Grant, Women Lawyers Association of Los Angeles - Southern California**

Phone: (323) 549-5840

Contact: Michelle Williams Court

E-mail: [info@wlala.org](mailto:info@wlala.org) or [mcourt@betzedek.org](mailto:mcourt@betzedek.org)

Website: [http://www.wlala.org/action\\_grants.asp](http://www.wlala.org/action_grants.asp)

- The Foundation will make grants to law students for projects that make governmental and social services agencies more accessible and responsive to individuals or groups whose needs are not adequately met. The Foundation is interested only in proposals that will produce some tangible program, such as information booklets, brochures, educational curriculum and videotapes.
- Projects must benefit residents of Southern California.
- The maximum stipend/grant amount is \$5,000.
- **Application deadline: March 2, 2007.**

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