

# Earthjustice

## 1) Description of the organization:

Earthjustice is a national non-profit, public interest law firm providing high quality litigation and advocacy services on environmental issues. The Washington, D.C. office's docket includes both cases addressing national issues and ones affecting the mid-Atlantic region. The office has a strong focus on promoting clean air and clean water, and also handles cases involving protection of natural areas and environmental justice issues. Clients include community groups, environmental organizations, and concerned citizens.

Examples of recent important cases include suits (1) against D.C.'s sewer authority for allowing unlawful raw sewage discharges into the Anacostia and other D.C. waters, (2) against the Environmental Protection Agency for failing to require cleanup of air pollution that impairs scenic vistas in our national parks and wilderness areas, (3) against EPA for failing to require control of hazardous air pollutants, such as dioxins and mercury, that bioaccumulate in humans and animals; (4) against the Department of the Interior for illegally allowing underground coal mines to undermine the land beneath homes and parks. We also have intervened to oppose various industry challenges to air and water regulations, including those protecting wetlands from development and those requiring manufacturers to build cleaner diesel trucks.

## 2) Type of work a student would do:

Interns assist with a broad range of tasks, including legal research on issues of statutory construction, administrative law, and civil procedure; legislative history and regulatory history research; factual research through review of agency administrative records and other sources; and drafting of memoranda and other documents.

## 3) How to apply:

Applicants should submit a resume, cover letter, unofficial law school transcript, references and a writing sample (a brief or litigation-oriented memorandum) by mail to Keri Powell at 1625 Massachusetts Ave., NW, Suite 702, Washington, DC 20036 or by email to [kpowell@earthjustice.org](mailto:kpowell@earthjustice.org).

## 4) Contact person: Keri Powell