



an invitation to make a difference

With nearly 8,000 employees and a wide-ranging mission, the Department of Law and Public Safety offers law students a unique opportunity to engage in complex civil and criminal litigation, while serving their community and the State. Whether you are interested in learning how cases are litigated, making headlines, prosecuting violent or white collar crimes, or fighting on behalf of consumers, the Department of Law and Public Safety has a place for you.

We are looking for legal interns of the highest ability, possessing sound judgment and a commitment to public service and the State of New Jersey for our Fall, Spring and Summer internship programs. If you meet this description, consider an internship with the New Jersey Department of Law and Public Safety.

The Attorney General's Office is an Equal Opportunity Employer.



internship programs for law students



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Office of the Attorney General

About the Department of Law & Public Safety

Under the direction of the Attorney General, the Department of Law & Public Safety is dedicated to making New Jersey safe for all its residents and visitors. Its responsibilities are as diverse as protecting the lives and property of New Jersey citizens to regulating the casino gaming industry. The Department is comprised of 14 separate Divisions, as well as several independent boards and commissions.

The Attorney General, as head of the Department, serves as the state's chief counsel and chief law enforcement officer and is responsible for the management and administration of the Department. The Attorney General oversees the criminal justice system, protects the safety of the public, and defends the state against lawsuits. As well, the Department regulates the casino, boxing, alcoholic beverage and racing industries, and protects consumers against fraud. While these responsibilities are varied, the Department is singularly united in protecting the safety and security of all those who live, work, and visit New Jersey.

In order to support its mission, the Department employs a wide array of attorneys and support staff. The Department also provides law students the opportunity to participate in its mission through its various internship programs.

Internship Opportunities with the Department

The Department of Law and Public Safety provides law students with the opportunity to partake in exciting internships during law school during the Summer, Fall and Spring semesters.

Law interns are exposed to a variety of substantive areas of the law and gain excellent legal research, legal writing, and interpersonal communication skills during their internships. During their internships, students perform a full range of law clerk responsibilities, including: research and writing, assisting with investigations, attending court proceedings and trials, and attending depositions meetings with clients, and other special events.

Summer Internship Program

Each summer, approximately 150 law students participate in the Department's Summer Internship Program. During the summer, the Department conducts a 10-week program beginning in June; students are required to work 20 hours per week. Students participating in the program attend the Summer Intern Speaker Series, which includes weekly seminars held in the Trenton offices, at which Assistant Attorneys General and Deputy Attorneys General share their knowledge of substantive law and litigation techniques. Newark interns also participate in Brown Bag lunches on a variety of topics.

As well, the Summer Intern Speaker Series affords interns the opportunity to hear the Attorney General and Division Directors discuss working in the public sector. The program also affords interns the chance to tour state correctional facilities, state forensic laboratories, and the New Jersey State Police Academy in Sea Girt.

The majority of interns in the program are assigned to the Office of the Attorney General, Division of Law and Division of Criminal Justice in the Trenton and Newark offices. Interns in these divisions are assigned to specific

practice groups and bureaus such as: Child Protection and Advocacy; Corrections and State Police; Education; Employment Litigation; Environmental Protection; Consumer Fraud Protection; Health and Human Services; Judiciary and Prosecutors; Labor and Community Affairs; Tort Litigation; Transportation; Treasury and Taxation; Financial and Computer Crimes; Appellate, and Gangs and Organized Crime.

The Department also offers summer internship opportunities for law students in the following divisions: Division of Gaming Enforcement, Alcoholic Beverage Control Commission, Division of Consumer Affairs and Division on Civil Rights.

If you are interested in applying for the Summer Internship Program, please visit our website at www.nj.gov/oag/employment.html and submit an application to the division's internship program coordinator on or before the closing date.

Fall & Spring Internship Programs

The Department also offers internships during the Fall and Spring semesters. The requirements and availability of Fall and Spring internship programs vary by division. If you are interested in a Fall/Spring semester internship, please visit our website at www.nj.gov/oag/employment.html for available opportunities.



For more information:

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