

# **FUNDING FOR SUMMER PUBLIC INTEREST JOBS**

## **HELPFUL WEBSITES:**

### **PSLawNet**

Website that lists summer funding sources nationwide. To view these listings, visit [www.pslawnet.org](http://www.pslawnet.org).

### **Idealist**

Non-profit career website. To view the scholarships listed, visit [www.idealists.org](http://www.idealists.org).

## **FELLOWSHIP GUIDES:**

### **PsLawNet's Fellowship Corner**

*The comprehensive Fellowship Guide- The ultimate resource for Law Students and Lawyers*

*Yale Law School's Public Interest Fellowships*, available on PsLawNet's site.

## **UNIVERSITY OF IOWA RELATED FUNDING**

### **College of Law Public Interest Award (two grants awarded)**

The Public Interest Summer Internship Class of 1998 Fund was established by the Class of 1998 to support students who pursue summer internships at public interest organizations. Recipients must be a currently enrolled law student and must demonstrate procurement of summer employment in public interest law, an area that includes Internal Revenue Code 501(c)(3) entities, government agencies, and advocacy groups. Projected summer employment compensation must be either low or unpaid. The applicant's level of need and the intensity of commitment to public interest law are the primary criteria for selection. Academic achievement will not be considered a factor. A committee of faculty and staff selects recipients.

Past Deadline: Monday, April 22, 2011.

Website:

[http://www.law.uiowa.edu/documents/finaid\\_Class\\_1998\\_Public\\_Interest\\_Summer\\_Award\\_Application.pdf](http://www.law.uiowa.edu/documents/finaid_Class_1998_Public_Interest_Summer_Award_Application.pdf)

### **EJF**

Any University of Iowa College of Law student who has secured public interest employment (with nonprofits, government entities, or other organizations) for the summer of 2011 is eligible to apply for an Equal Justice Foundation grant. Last year, students were selected to receive grants based on five factors: (1) the student's dedication to EJF throughout the 2011-12 academic year; (2) the student's dedication to public interest, community service and/or volunteerism; (3) the student's financial need; and (4) the nature of the public interest employment secured.

Past Deadline: Friday, April 19, 2010 @ 4 p.m. Check application for latest information.

Website: [http://www.law.uiowa.edu/groups/ejf/grant\\_application.php](http://www.law.uiowa.edu/groups/ejf/grant_application.php).

### **UICHR Cmiel Internship Funding**

The Kenneth J. Cmiel Funded Human Rights Internship Program provides funding to selected students who have secured a summer internship with a local, national or international non-governmental organization or governmental agency engaged in human rights related advocacy, research or education. Program funds cover travel and living expenses associated with the internship. Current UI undergraduate, graduate, and professional students who will remain enrolled in a degree program at the UI the semester following their internship are eligible to apply.

Past Deadline: Friday, March 12, 2010. Check application for latest information.

Website: <http://international.uiowa.edu/centers/human-rights/internships/funding/cmiel.asp>.

## **OUTSIDE SOURCES OF FUNDING**

### **Helton Fellowship**

Given from the American Society of International Law for students doing international law abroad.

Past Deadline: Applications must be received by Monday, January 9, 2012.

Website: <http://www.asil.org/helton-fellowship.cfm>

### **Upper Midwest Human Rights Fellowship**

Awarded through the University of Minnesota. Students from Minnesota, Montana, North Dakota, South Dakota, and Wisconsin given preference.

Past deadline: February 9, 2011 by 4:00 p.m. Central Time.

Website: <http://www1.umn.edu/humanrts/center/uppermidwest/index.html>.

### **PILI – Chicago Public Interest Internships Only**

Each year, PILI offers over 40 public interest law internships that provide excellent legal training and experience for first or second year law students. Interns work at one of PILI's affiliated public interest law agencies in Chicago. PILI raises the money to fund the internships and then issues grants to its eligible host agencies. The agencies, in turn, pay their Interns directly. PILI ensures quality supervision by experienced lawyers at its agencies, and provides a lunchtime educational seminar program. The Internship program encourages law students to work at --and learn about-- legal institutions that serve the public interest, and engenders a life-long commitment to public interest law and pro bono work.

PILI sponsors a Summer Internship Program for first and second year law students. The Summer Internship program is open to law students from across the country. Each summer, PILI funds dozens of internships at public interest law agencies in the Chicago metropolitan area. Agencies hosting Summer Interns receive \$5,000 to pay an Intern for 10 full-time weeks of work.

List of organizations that qualify for funding:

Access Living of Metropolitan Chicago

AIDS Legal Council of Chicago

Business and Professional People for the Public Interest

Cabrini Green Legal Aid Clinic

Chicago Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights Under Law

Chicago Legal Clinic  
Chicago Volunteer Legal Services Foundation  
Citizen Advocacy Center  
Community Economic Development Law Program (school year interns and fellows only)  
Coordinated Advice & Referral Program for Legal Services (CARPLS)  
Environmental Law and Policy Center of the Midwest  
Equip for Equality  
Lambda Legal Defense and Education Fund  
Law Project of the Chicago Coalition for the Homeless  
Lawyers' Committee for Better Housing  
Legal Aid Bureau, Metropolitan Family Services Chicago  
Legal Assistance Foundation of Metropolitan Chicago  
Mexican American Legal Defense and Educational Fund  
National Immigrant Justice Center (formerly MIHRC)  
Office of Civil Rights (OCR)  
The Roger Baldwin Foundation of the American Civil Liberties Union of Illinois, Inc.  
Sargent Shriver National Center on Poverty Law  
U.S. Dep't of Health & Human Services

Past Deadline: The Summer 2012 application period for PILI Internships opens up on Oct. 15, 2011 for 2Ls and on Dec. 1, 2011 for 1Ls. Applications will be accepted on a rolling basis through March of 2012. The website suggests checking back for the final deadline after Dec. 1, 2011.

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

### **John J. Curtin Justice Fund**

The American Bar Association John J. Curtin, Jr. Justice Foundation funds students to work at organizations serving legal needs of homeless people or seeking to prevent homelessness. Stipends of \$2,500 are given for 8 weeks of service in a homeless program. Organizations where Curtin fellows have worked in the past include legal services offices, bar association pro bono initiatives, and non-profit advocacy groups.

Website:

[http://www.americanbar.org/groups/public\\_services/homelessness\\_poverty/resources/john\\_j\\_curtin\\_jr\\_fellowship.html](http://www.americanbar.org/groups/public_services/homelessness_poverty/resources/john_j_curtin_jr_fellowship.html)

Deadline: Monday, March 26, 2012.

### **Pride Law Fund Fellowships (formerly the National Educational Foundation For Individual Rights):**

The Pride Law Fund offers the Roberta Achtenberg Public Service Student Fellowship. Since 1984, Pride Law Fund has funded internship opportunities for those seeking experience in the areas of sexual orientation discrimination, individual rights litigation, direct legal services to people with HIV/AIDS, and other legal issues of concern to the lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender community.

Past Deadline: April 1, 2011.

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

### **Equal Justice Works Summer Corps Fellowships**

The Summer Corps supports law students at public interest organizations across the country in a common purpose – to expand legal services delivery to those who need it most. The Summer Corps is an AmeriCorps-funded program that provides 250 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.

Past Deadline: April 10, 2011.

Website: <http://www.equaljusticeworks.org/law-school/summercorps>

### **Midwest Coalition for Human Rights**

The Midwest Coalition offers five human rights fellowships. Funding from the Mertz Gilmore Foundation will allow the Coalition to pay each fellow a \$3,000 stipend. The positions will be open to upper level undergraduate, graduate and law students, and qualified community members. The requirements of each placement will determine the appropriate level of education and/or experience. Members interested in obtaining a fellow will be asked to submit proposals.

Past Deadline: unknown. Application process begins in March.

Website: <http://www.midwesthumanrights.org/about-mchr/summer-fellowship-program/summer-fellowship-program>

### **American Bar Association Fellowships in Environmental Law**

Recipients will work on legal matters for a government agency or public interest organization in the fields of environmental, energy or resources law.

Deadline: Varies by state - see website.

Website: [http://www.abanet.org/environ/committees/lawstudents/fellowship\\_home.shtml](http://www.abanet.org/environ/committees/lawstudents/fellowship_home.shtml)

### **Chairman Robert E. Lee Scholarship and Internship Fund**

Awards stipends to law students employed as unpaid summer interns in positions with the FCC and other government agencies or entities with a connection to the communications industry.

Past Deadline: Friday, March 16, 2011.

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

### **Dan Bradley Fellowship**

The Legal Aid Association of California (LAAC) will choose three qualified students working with LAAC member legal services to become Dan Bradley Fellows and receive a stipend of \$3,500. The fellowship is for students who have a strong desire to work to defend and improve the legal rights of poor people and/or people with disadvantages.

Past Deadline: April 1, 2011.

Website: [http://www.calegaladvocates.org/about/item.2412-LAAC\\_Awards](http://www.calegaladvocates.org/about/item.2412-LAAC_Awards)

### **Donald O'Brien Scholarship Award**

This \$1,000 scholarship, in honor of Judge Donald E. O'Brien, is open to first and second year students. The applicant must have ties to Iowa and express an interest and intent to practice law in the areas of civil rights, civil liberties, or public interest.

Past Deadline: April 25, 2011.

Website: [http://www.law.siu.edu/Prospective%20Students/PDF/donald\\_obrien\\_application.pdf](http://www.law.siu.edu/Prospective%20Students/PDF/donald_obrien_application.pdf)

### **Echoing Green Fellowship**

Provide seed money and technical support to individuals creating innovative public service organizations or projects that seek to catalyze positive social change. Fellows receive a two-year, \$60,000 stipend (\$90,000 if applying as partners), benefits, training, and technical assistance.

Past Deadline: Initial applications will be accepted from December 5, 2011 through January 9, 2012. Other inquiries may be directed to the organization at [apply@echoinggreen.org](mailto:apply@echoinggreen.org)

Website: <http://www.echoinggreen.org/fellowship>

### **Equal Justice Works Fellowship**

Provides financial support to graduation law students and practicing lawyers who wish to work for two years at a sponsoring organization on "innovative, effective legal advocacy on behalf of individuals, groups, or issues that are not adequately represented by some aspect of the legal system." They are not used to fund a general staff attorney position, but instead, offer fellows the opportunity to exercise leadership on a discrete project. They encourage projects that can be replicated in other communities; which serve a large number of clients; and which are sustainable. Fellows receive a stipend equal to the starting salary of an attorney at their sponsoring organization up to 39,000. Some loan repayment assistance may also be available. Applications and other detailed information must be completed online.

Past Deadline: The 2012 application became available July 6, 2011 and was due Sept. 14, 2011.

Website: <http://www.equaljusticeworks.org/post-grad/equal-justice-works-fellowships>

### **The Williams Institute Summer Law Fellowships**

Stipends of \$5,000 are available to law students or recent law school graduates who choose to spend the summer working on sexual orientation law and public policy with an organization, scholar, or research center. Stipend recipients are required to spend at least ten weeks at their placements.

Past Deadline: March 15, 2011. Check back in November 2011 for 2012 deadlines.

Website: <http://williamsinstitute.law.ucla.edu/summer-fellowships/2011-williams-institute-summer-fellowships/>

### **The Frankel Fellowships**

First and second year students can apply for a \$1,000 grant to work in either the Washington, DC or New York office of Human Rights First's Refugee Protection Program for ten weeks in the summer. Only one grant is available for each office.

Past Deadline: Unavailable. Check website for future dates

Website: <http://www.humanrightsfirst.org/about-us/>

**Fried Frank Fellowships with the NAACP Legal Defense Fund(LDF) & the Mexican American Legal Defense and Education Fund (MALDEF).**

The fellowship support recent law graduates and those completing judicial clerkships for two years as a Fried Frank associate, followed by two year at LDF or MALDEF. At the end of the four years associates may choose to return to Fried Frank or remain at LDF or MALDEF.

Interested candidates should visit the fellowships site. For more information or an application please e-mail or call Fried Frank ([fellowship@friedfrank.com](mailto:fellowship@friedfrank.com), 212.859.8345).

Past Deadline: November 1, 2011.

Website: <http://www.ffhsj.com/index.cfm?pageID=49>

**Google Policy Fellowship**

A stipend of \$7,000 is available for ten weeks of summer work relating to Internet policy.

Various public interest organizations in Washington, DC and San Francisco host and mentor the recipients of the stipend.

Past Deadline: January 17, 2011.

Website: <http://www.google.com/policyfellowship/>

**Independence Foundation Public Interest Legal Fellowship**

Supports law school graduates to work for up to two years in a sponsoring legal services organization in one of seven Pennsylvania counties in the Philadelphia area. For more information visit the website or call 215.985.4009. Fellows receive a stipend of \$46,000 plus benefits as well as loan repayment assistance.

Past Deadline: September 28, 2011.

Website: [http://www.independencefoundation.org/fellow\\_law.html](http://www.independencefoundation.org/fellow_law.html)

**The descriptions below are taken from Harvard Law School's 2006-2007 Public Service Job Search Guide - Vol. I. This book is no longer available in hard-copy, but is up on PsLawNet.**

**Alaska Conservation Foundation Internship Program**

Internship candidates compete for assignments in organizations involved with environmental/resource management, habitat protection, advocacy, policy implementation, land and park management, marine conservation, and wildlife and endangered species protection.

Past Deadline: 2011 unknown. Advises to check website in Winter 2011 for 2012 dates.

Website: <http://alaskaconservation.org/internships/conservation-intern/overview/>

**American Federation of Labor and Congress of Industrial Organizations Law Student Union Summer Program**

Internship for law students that combines front-line legal work with grass roots organizing in real, on-going campaigns by AFL-CIO union in various regions of the country. Ten week internship.

Deadline: The 2012 deadline has not yet been determined, but it is advised to check back in January 2012 for the updated application.

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

### **Asian American Bar Association Law Student Summer Grant**

Offering one or more grants (depending upon funding abilities) to help fund one or more qualified summer law clerks to work on legal projects that would provide free legal services to the Asian-American community.

Deadline: September 2, 2011.

Website: <http://www.napaba.org/napaba/showpage.asp?code=scholarships>

### **Asian Pacific American Bar Association Educational Fund (AEF)**

Awards summer fellowships to law students to work with public interest organizations (government agencies or nonprofits) that benefit either Asian Pacific American community or the metropolitan Washington D.C. community-at-large.

Past Deadline: May 1, 2011.

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

### **Asian Pacific American Institute for Congressional Studies Summer Internship Program**

Interns will be placed in Congressional and federal agencies as well as nonprofit public policy organizations. The program seeks to encourage an interest in public policy-related careers and develop the leadership skills of the interns. This internship is open to all students and is not exclusively for Asian Americans.

Deadline: Check back in Nov. 2011 for the 2012 program, or contact Laila Mohib at

[lmohib@apaics.org](mailto:lmohib@apaics.org).

Website: [http://www.apaics.org/index.php/pages/programs/summer\\_internships](http://www.apaics.org/index.php/pages/programs/summer_internships)

### **Environmental Careers Organization**

Interns are chosen to work on short-term environmental projects in a wide variety of fields.

More specific project information can be found on the website.

Deadline: Varies by program.

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

### **Goldmark Equal Access to Justice Internship**

Funds summer work in community-based legal services programs. Interns are placed in the given year's selected Foundation grantee organization. Interns have worked on an assessment of the legal needs of the Native American population in southwest Washington, represented homeless people with the King County Homeless Mentally Ill Legal Rights Advocacy Project, and assisted migrant timber workers in the Olympic Peninsula region.

Past Deadline: October 14, 2011.

Website: [http://www.legalfoundation.org/pages/goldmark\\_internship](http://www.legalfoundation.org/pages/goldmark_internship)

### **Harry A. Blackmun Memorial Public Interest Fund**

Each student is assigned to a supervising attorney and will assist on a variety of projects, which include research and writing legal memoranda, analyzing legislation, and working with various coalitions and community groups on outreach, public education, and advocacy.

Deadline: June 15, 2012. Email for more information/application: [jam@wamcd.com](mailto:jam@wamcd.com)

Website: <http://wiki.washjeff.edu/display/scholarships/Harry+A.+Blackmun+Scholarship>

### **Haywood Burns Memorial Fellowship for Social and Economic Justice**

Fellowship sends law students to work on numerous pre-selected public interest projects throughout the world, involving such diverse issues as Asian-American housing and job rights, Central American refugees, the family farm system, and Native American land rights.

Past Deadline: January 7, 2011.

Website: <http://www.nlg.org/law-students/fellowships/>

### **Hispanic Bar Association of the District of Columbia**

Offers two fellowships for 1Ls and 2Ls to work in a nonprofit legal services agency in D.C.

Past deadline: April 7, 2011.

Website: <http://www.hbadc.org/resource/resmgr/docs/2011hbadcfoundationfellowshi.pdf>

### **James B. McMillan Legal Fellowship Fund**

Underwrites summer clerkships for law students with local public service organizations in Mecklenburg County, Charlotte, North Carolina.

Past Deadline: March 1, 2011.

Website: [www.meckbar.org/newsevents/printerfriendly.cfm?CONT\\_ID=6692](http://www.meckbar.org/newsevents/printerfriendly.cfm?CONT_ID=6692)

### **J.W. Saxe Memorial Prize**

The award is meant to enable the student to gain practical experience in public services by taking either a no-pay or low-paying job or internship during the summer. Preference will be given to applicants who have already found such a position, but who require additional funds.

Past Deadline: March 15, 2011.

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

### **Charles G. Koch Summer Fellow Program**

Fellowship offers students the opportunity to work with top policy experts, journalists, and academics in a comprehensive program of policy analysis training, professional development, writing, media relations and intellectual exploration. Summer fellows gain experience by participation in an eight-week internship at one of D.C.'s market-oriented research organizations, public interest law firms or other state policy organizations around the U.S. Fellows will spend the first week and last week of the program in policy seminars.

Deadline: January 31, 2012.

Website: <http://www.theihs.org/koch-summer-fellow-program>

### **Massachusetts Bar Foundation Legal Intern Fellowship Program**

Established to encourage careers in the law that further social justice, while contributing to valuable legal support to organizations serving the under-represented in Massachusetts. This program awards stipends to law students for volunteer summer internships at non-profit organizations providing civil legal services to low-income clients in Massachusetts.

Deadline: March 16, 2012.

Website: <http://www.massbarfoundation.org/grant-programs/legal-intern-fellowship-program>

### **McLeay Law Fellows Program**

Fellows will work, full-time or part-time, with HRC attorneys, outside counsel with major national law firms, lobbyists, allies and Congressional and White House staff members on legislative, regulatory and internal corporate matters. Projects involve sophisticated legal research and writing, analysis and drafting of legislation and administrative regulations, legislative and regulatory advocacy and national coalition work. 1Ls, 2Ls, 3Ls, and LLM candidates are eligible.

Past Deadline: March 11, 2011. Interns are hired on a rolling basis for Fall, Spring and Summer sessions until all positions are filled.

Website: [http://www.hrc.org/about\\_us/internships.asp](http://www.hrc.org/about_us/internships.asp)

### **University of Michigan Law School Child Welfare Law Summer Fellowship**

Summer fellowship program geared towards improving legal education, practice, and policy regarding child welfare. Offers a free three-day intensive child welfare law training at the University of Michigan to selected fellows and assists them in finding a placement in a child welfare law office.

Past Deadline: February 14, 2011.

Website: <http://www.law.umich.edu/clinical/calcul/Bergstrom/Pages/summerfellowship.aspx>

### **New Jersey Summer Legal Internship**

1Ls and 2Ls are placed in various legal services programs, public interest organizations, and government agencies across the state. Applicants should show an interest in working in New Jersey in the future.

Deadline: Varies by program. Current applications for paid internships for summer 2012 will become available on Nov. 15, 2011.

Website: <http://www.lsnj.org/internprog.htm>

### **New York City Law Department Summer Honors Program**

Summer interns gain an in-depth view of New York's legal systems. Interns regularly draft motion papers that are filed in court. Many take or defend a deposition during the summer. Appeals Division interns draft three or four appellate briefs from start to finish. Interns in the Family Court Division regularly stand up in court to argue motions and conduct arraignments. Program also offers free housing to financially eligible applicants.

Deadline: Second-year law students interested in applying for the Summer Honors Program should submit their resumes through their school's on-campus interviewing process if possible. Students who are unable to do so should write to them directly after August 1. There is no final application deadline. Hiring decisions are made on a rolling basis with most offers being extended prior to March 31.

Website: [www.nyc.gov/html/law/html/careers/honors\\_application.shtml](http://www.nyc.gov/html/law/html/careers/honors_application.shtml).

### **Peggy Browning Fund**

Fund provides stipends for law students who dedicate their summers to working for selected labor unions, nonprofit organizations, and offices of the National Labor Relations Board that advance the cause of workers' rights.

Past Deadline: January 14, 2011.

Website: <http://www.peggybrowningfund.org/apply.html>

### **Pennsylvania Legal Services Martin Luther King Internship Program**

Interns are assigned to local legal service programs across the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. The interns are selected and assigned by the Martin Luther King, Jr. Hiring and Training Committee.

Past Deadline: Summer internship: January 31<sup>st</sup>, 2012. Fellowships: December 31, 2011.

Website: <http://www.palegalaid.net/sites/default/files/MLK%20Brochure2012.pdf>

### **Political Economy Research Center (PERC) Graduate Fellowship Program**

Research fellows are graduate and law students who spend three months in Bozeman, Montana, researching and writing a paper under the supervision of PERC Associates. Applicants must show potential for research and writing in the areas of natural resources or the environment. Fellows are required to complete a paper of publishable quality. In addition, fellows give three seminars to outline, report on, and summarize their research findings.

Deadlines: February 15 for Summer early decision, March 15 for Summer, June 15 for Fall, October 15 for Spring.

Website: <http://www.perc.org/enviroprog/students/grad/apply.php>.

### **Powell Fellowship in Legal Service**

Honoring the late US Supreme Court Associate Justice Lewis F. Powell Jr., awards 35,000 plus benefits to a graduating student or to a judicial clerk (who will complete the clerkship by fall 2011) to enable him or her to work in public interest law and to enhance the delivery of legal services to the poor under the sponsorship of a public interest organization. The award is made for one year with the expectation that it will be renewed for a second year. Fellowships are awarded on the basis of a student's project proposal and personal qualities. The project should be a joint effort between the sponsor and the applicant and must involve the provision of legal services to those in need and may also involve advocacy and community education. Criminal prosecution and defense are excluded as well as work abroad.

Deadline: October 21, 2011.

Website: <http://www.law.virginia.edu/html/publicserv/psfellowships.htm#powell>

### **Robert M. LaFollette/Keenan Peck Legal Fellowship Program**

Offered by the Senate Judiciary Committee and Senator Herb Kohl each summer. Student will have opportunity to work on the Judiciary Committee staff and advise Committee members and counsels on a variety of issues.

Past Deadline: March 2, 2011.

Website: [www.law.wisc.edu/newsletter/Career\\_Services/Robert\\_M\\_LaFollette\\_Keenan\\_Peck\\_2007-01-28](http://www.law.wisc.edu/newsletter/Career_Services/Robert_M_LaFollette_Keenan_Peck_2007-01-28)

### **Robert M. Takasugi Summer Fellowship Program**

Fellowship programs has been created to honor Senior District Court Judge Robert M. Takasugi for his contribution to public interest law, pro bono work, and minority law students/attorneys throughout his 25 years of service on the federal bench. Funding and decisions come from the National Pacific American Bar Association (NPABA)

Past Deadline: March 18, 2011.

Website: <http://www.takasugifellowship.com>.

### **Robert Masur Fellowships in Civil Liberties**

Summer fellowship sponsoring a 1L working in the area of civil rights and civil liberties. The work may include writing a research paper, working with a public interest organization, working on litigation under the supervision of a faculty member or lawyer, or any other civil liberties or civil rights work.

Deadline: 2012 applications will be considered in spring of 2012.

Website: [http://www.nationinstitute.org/prizes/1068/the\\_robert\\_masur\\_fellowship\\_in\\_civil\\_liberties/](http://www.nationinstitute.org/prizes/1068/the_robert_masur_fellowship_in_civil_liberties/)

### **Skadden Public Service Fellowship**

This national fellowship provides support to graduating law students and outgoing judicial clerks who want to work in the public interest for an organization which provides civil legal services to the poor. The Skadden Foundation cares about the quality of your sponsoring organization and the supervision that they will be able to offer. If you have question about the appropriateness of a potential sponsoring organization, you should contact Susan Butler Plum, Director of the Skadden Fellowship Foundation at 212. 735.2956 to discuss your choice. Your sponsoring organization must have a minimum of two attorneys on staff. You should begin looking for a sponsor now. The duration of a Skadden Fellowship is one year, but renewal for a second year is expected. Each Skadden Fellowship Foundation awards 25 fellowships annually. Each year, 65 semifinalists are selected out of a pool on approximately 250-300 applicants. The 25 fellows are chosen from 50 finalists by a vote of the Foundation's trustees in early December. Application information is available on Skadden's website.

Deadline: October 3, 2011.

Website: <http://www.skadden.com/Index.cfm?contentID=30>

### **South Asian Bar Association Public Interest Fellowship**

Funding available for outstanding law students who have demonstrated a commitment to public service. Students must be working for a public interest legal organization in the New York area during their public internship.

Past Deadline: March 18, 2011. Applications become available in February.

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

### **Southern District of Texas Fellowship Grant: Blask Fellowship**

Provides financial assistance to students who have secured federal government summer internships.

Past Deadline: April 1, 2011.

Website: <http://uhlawcareer.posterous.com/2011-blask-fellowship-grant-information>

### **WLALA Foundation**

This nonprofit corporation, affiliated with the Women Lawyers Association of Los Angeles, grew out of the recognition of the scarcity of public funding legal assistance. The Foundation provides summer grants to law students who work in the public interest. Grants fund specific independent projects, usually pursued in conjunction with nonprofit agencies. May not be used to support a summer externship at an organization.

Past Deadline: March 21, 2011.

Website: <http://www.wlala.org/displaycommon.cfm?an=1&subarticlenbr=66>

## **OTHER POSSIBLE SITES TO CHECK OUT**

### **ABA diversity fellowships in Environmental Law**

Website: [http://www.abanet.org/environ/committees/lawstudents/fellowship\\_home.shtml](http://www.abanet.org/environ/committees/lawstudents/fellowship_home.shtml)

### **Equal Justice America**

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

### **Fellowship Opportunities in Law Website-**

a helpful website that lists a few fellowship opportunities, and different types of fellowships

Website: <http://lib.law.washington.edu/ref/fellows.html>

### **Animal legal & historical Center & Animal Legal Defense Fund-**

A summer research grant for people who are interested in Animal Law

Past Deadline: May 1, 2009-no other current information was available.

Website: <http://animalblawg.wordpress.com/2009/04/15/summer-grants-for-law-students-insterested-in-animal-law/>

### **Habeas Corpus Resource Center-**

Offers both internships and externships. Summer programs lasting 10 weeks. See website for more information and deadlines

Website: <http://www.hcrc.ca.gov/employment.php>