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LAW OFFICE OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY PUBLIC DEFENDER

2017 Law Clerk Program



Types of Clerkships Offered:

Summer
Fall/Fall Post Bar
Spring/Spring Post Bar

Dates of Summer Program:

10 Weeks
Early June to Early August
Apply:

2Ls: October 15 to
March 15
1Ls: Early December to
March 15
Hours: 40 per week

Dates of Fall/Fall Post Bar Programs:

16 Weeks
Mid - August to early December
Apply: September 1 to March 15
Fall Hours: 16 per week
Fall Post Bar Hours: 40 per week

Dates of Spring Program:

16 Weeks
Early January to Late April
Apply: August 15 to December 15
Hours: 16 per week

Dates of Spring Post Bar Program:

Early March to Mid-May
Apply: August 15 to December 15
Hours: 40 per week



DESCRIPTION

The Los Angeles County Public Defender Law Clerk Program introduces select students to the operations of the Office, the court system and related agencies in the criminal justice system. Law Clerks are mentored by experienced criminal defense attorneys who provide them with a real life, educational experience.

Law Clerks assist Deputy Public Defenders with a wide range of projects. Law Clerks are given the opportunity to observe and participate in client interviews, case strategy meetings and court proceedings. Law Clerks may complete research and writing projects including briefs, investigation requests and motions to be filed in court. They may also accompany the attorneys to jail interviews and attend public defender training sessions.

Law Clerks may be exposed to misdemeanor, felony, juvenile and appellate law practice.

Law Clerks are not allowed to appear on the record. However, they are permitted to attend court proceedings and to assist attorneys during trial.

All Los Angeles County Public Defender Law Clerks are unpaid volunteers.

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****Application Materials: (1) Resume & (2) Cover Letter. Qualified candidates will be contacted for in-person interviews. Please submit all materials to Jean Burke, Law Clerk Coordinator.**

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