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JOB ANNOUNCEMENT

ATTORNEY FELLOWSHIP SPONSORSHIP FOR FALL 2022 FELLOWS

The Public Interest Law Center (“PILC”) is a nationally renowned public interest law firm founded in 1969 whose mission is to use high-impact legal strategies to advance the civil, social, and economic rights of communities in the Philadelphia region facing discrimination, inequality, and poverty. We combine targeted litigation, legal advice, community education, advocacy, and organizing to secure people’s access to fundamental resources and services, including a high-quality education, health care, housing and community services, employment, a healthy neighborhood and the unencumbered right to vote. We accomplish our mission in partnership with a robust network of pro bono partners, community partners, volunteers and other essential stakeholders. PILC strongly values equity, inclusion, achieving racial and social justice, and empowering client communities through our high impact work.

We are currently accepting applications for candidates for post-graduate public interest fellowships to be sponsored by the Law Center that would start in the fall of 2022. **The Law Center is accepting fellowship applications through midnight on July 9, 2021 and will start interviews the week of July 12, 2021.** These deadlines ensure our prospective fellows have sufficient time to build the relationships and do the research needed to develop a strong proposal. The Law Center will consider a strong proposal in any of our six areas: Education (including Special Education), Employment, Environmental Justice, Health Care, Housing, and Voting. While candidates are welcomed to provide ideas for a project, a candidate need not have a developed proposal to be considered. Under any circumstance, the Law Center will work with the fellow to finalize a project.

The Law Center will sponsor one fellow in 2022 through a fellowship provided by organizations such as the Skadden Fellowship Foundation, the Independence Foundation, Equal Justice Works, Open Society Institute, and sponsoring law schools.

We are looking for candidates who embody the mission and values of the Law Center’s work and someone who is committed to serving our client communities. We fight to ensure equal access to fundamental civil rights and resources and we offer the unique opportunity to be involved in groundbreaking high impact litigation, community lawyering and policy advocacy. Candidates with a deep passion and commitment to dedicating their legal careers to underserved communities, to racial and social and economic justice, and who have the initiative and creativity to develop unique projects in one of our six practice areas are highly encouraged to apply.

The 2022 fellow would receive a salary of \$62,000 or the salary offered by the Foundation, whichever is higher. The fellow would be a Law Center employee and our offices are located in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. The Law Center offers a competitive benefits package, which includes generous PTO, six (6) weeks of paid FMLA leave and twelve (12) weeks of paid parental leave.

Commitment to Diversity, Equity and Inclusion

The Public Interest Law Center is an equal opportunity employer. We are committed to ensuring our workforce embraces and embodies the values of equity, inclusion, belonging, cultural humility and mutual respect. We are eager to receive applications from people of all diverse backgrounds including, but not limited to, people of color, people with disabilities, people who have experienced poverty or homelessness, and members of the LGBTQ+ community. **The Law Center invites all applicants to include in their cover letter a statement about how your unique background and/or experiences might contribute to the diversity, cultural vitality, and perspective of our organization and legal practice.**

The Law Center is committed to protecting the safety of children with which it comes in contact.

How to Apply

Please submit via email to attyfellowships2022@pubintlaw.org, the following:

- Resume (more than 1 page is ok. List all relevant work including undergraduate work)
- Cover letter addressing interest and experience in public interest and poverty law and a description of ideas for a fellowship proposal and/or areas of interest
- Writing sample
- Law school transcript
- List of three references. Please include at least one current or recent supervisor.

Please ensure you submit all application materials or your application will not be considered. You can also submit questions about our application process to the email above.

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