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CONNECTICUT LEGAL SERVICES, INC. 2020 LAW STUDENT INTERNSHIPS

Title: Law School Intern

Description: Connecticut Legal Services (CLS) is a non-profit law firm that provides free, urgently-needed legal assistance to low-income people with civil matters in the following areas of law: housing, consumer, family, public benefits, education, juvenile, employment and disability. We seek applicants who want to use their creativity, initiative, skills and other talents to improve the lives of low-income people by providing access to justice.

Interns at CLS:

- Receive training in client interview skills
- Assist with an active caseload of representation and advice cases
- May have the opportunity to represent clients in administrative hearings or under the student practice rule, if qualified
- May work with a team of lawyers to address major client issues

Qualifications: We particularly seek applications from people with experience in, or connections to, low-income communities. Applicant must have excellent written and verbal English communication skills, strong organizational skills and proficiency in and/or ability to learn Microsoft Word, Outlook and other basic computer programs. Spanish and/or other language ability is preferred but not required. For qualification requirements related to specific positions, please see the application listing below.

Support/Training: CLS will provide orientation, training and supervision.

Application: Please send a cover letter, resume, writing sample and the names and contact information of three references to the person listed below. CLS 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 staff and legal services practice.

Contact: Please send your application to any office in which you may be interested in working. Office and unit contacts are listed on page 2.

---CLS Offices---

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*The intern will be responsible for updating the Housing Court Small Claim Manual. This is a non-client based structured legal research project that involves identifying, reading, and summarizing cases. There may be opportunities to work in direct client services as time allows.

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Term: 1/15/2020-5/15/2020

*The intern will be assigned to CLS' Financial Distress Research Project, which focuses on Consumer Law issues and defense of small claims cases, and will be officed in CLS' New Britain location.