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INTERESTED IN CRIMINAL JUSTICE?

Come to our Careers in
Criminal Justice panel on
November 18th to hear from a
prosecutor and public
defender working in the
field. Food will be served!
Find more information on
the [next page](#).

Additionally, if you missed
our PILC Fair info sessions,
you can find a recap and
recordings on [page 4!](#)

INTRO TO CAREERS IN *Criminal Justice*

NOV 18, 12:45 - 1:45 PM, ROOM 502

Join us for a fascinating dialogue between a prosecutor and a public defender. Learn about their work, their organizations, and their advice for students interested in criminal justice.

Non-pizza lunch will be served!

Event Panelists:

Glenn Singer, BLS '99

Bureau Chief, Red Hook Community Justice Center
Brooklyn District Attorney's Office
Adjunct Professor of Clinical Law, Brooklyn Law School

Prescott Loveland

Assistant Public Defender,
New Jersey Office of the Public Defender

ACCESS TO & *LAWYERING FOR* PUBLIC BENEFITS

A PANEL DISCUSSION FOR THE BLS COMMUNITY
SPONSORED BY THE EDWARD V. SPARER
PUBLIC INTEREST FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM

ABBY BIBERMAN

Associate Director, Public
Benefits Unit, NYLAG

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Assistance Program, Community
Service Society of New York

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Director, Housing Justice Clinic,
Brooklyn Law School

JANE FOX

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Society Criminal Defense Practice

MADDY KIM

Class of 2027
Health Law and Policy Association

**12 - 1:45 PM
NOVEMBER
19**

**SUBOTNICK CENTER, 10TH FLOOR
250 JORALEMON STREET
BROOKLYN, NEW YORK 11201**



EMAIL MARVA.SKEENE@BROOKLAW.EDU TO RSVP

**SPACE IS LIMITED. PLEASE RSVP BY MONDAY
(11/17) TO CONFIRM YOUR SPOT.
ONLY GUESTS WHO RSVP WILL BE ADMITTED.
DON'T MISS OUT — RESERVE YOUR PLACE TODAY!**

PILC Fair Info Sessions

RECAP

Ins & Outs of the PILC Fair

Find the recording [here](#)!

Important Dates:

- **November 15:** Registration opens (all 1Ls registered by PSLC by 11/17)
- **January 5-9:** PSLC is open, 1/9 deadline to submit resume/cover letters to PSLC for review
- **January 15, 5:00PM:** Deadline to apply for interviews (don't wait last minute!)
- **January 30 (approximately):** Interview schedules published
- **February 2-4:** Free interview sign-ups (for those registered by 1/15), Table Talk registration
- **February 4, 4:00PM:** Deadline to cancel interviews and Table Talk sessions
- **February 5-6:** Interviews and Table Talks

Find our Essential PILC Fair Tips Sheet [here](#)!



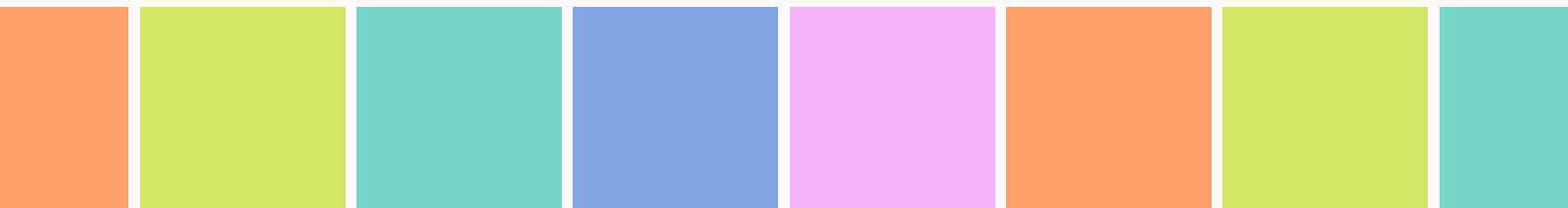
Applying for Internships at PILC: Guide to the Portal

Find the recording [here](#)!

- Click [here](#) to view our slideshow that goes over how to navigate the portal to see all employers attending, set your availability, apply for interviews, and application tips!
 - Click [here](#) to view the PILC Fair website, where registration will open on November 15th (reminder that all 2Ls/3Ls/non-1L part-time students need to register themselves).
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Pro Tip: REACH OUT TO THE PUBLIC SERVICE LAW CENTER!

- Email us at publicservice@brooklaw.edu
- We are here to help with resumes, cover letters, and any other application materials. We want to support you!
- All these resources can be found on our [BLSConnect page](#)



upcoming **PRO BONO PROJECT & PUBLIC INTEREST** meetings

11/17
12:45 -
1:45 PM

If/When/How General Body Meeting,
Room 502

LALSA Exploring Legal Pathways: From
Public Interest to Public Practice, Room 401

11/18
4 - 6PM

11/19
1 - 2 PM

Pro Bono & You - Immigration Pro Bono
Project Information Session, Room 603

Petey Greene Pro Bono Project Panel,
Student Lounge

11/20
12:45 -
1:45 PM

If you'd like to feature an upcoming pro bono project event flyer
in our newsletter, email publicservice@brooklaw.edu!

BLS LALSA presents...



EXPLORING LEGAL PATHWAYS:

FROM PUBLIC INTEREST
TO PRIVATE PRACTICE

Come learn about the PILC Fair, summer internship funding, diversity fellowships, clerkships, and post-grad fellowships!

**FOOD
PROVIDED!**



**NOVEMBER 18
4-6 PM | RM 401**



TENANT JUSTICE PANEL EVENT RECAP

Last Wednesday's event was organized by Brooklyn Law School Housing Justice Clinic student-attorneys Dario Arroyo, Kayla Richards, and Keyana Griffith, who coordinated and led the program.

Kayla opened the event with introductory remarks and facilitated audience participation. Professor Aissatou Barry then provided grounding context on rent-stabilized housing in New York City, touching on deteriorating conditions in rent-stabilized units, challenges in enforcing the Warranty of Habitability, and the impact of intentional displacement.

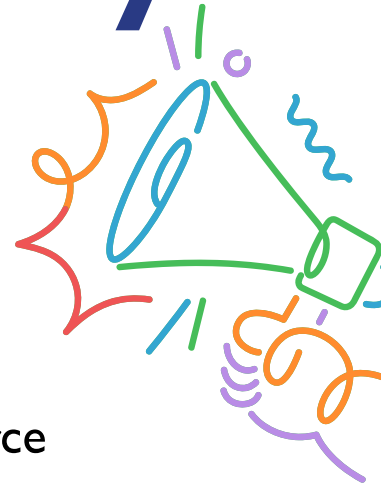
The panel, featuring Adam Markovics (Bronx Defenders), Kelsey Feehan (Communities Resist), and Michael Rowley (CAMBA), offered a thoughtful look at tenant-side advocacy, systemic barriers tenants face, and the realities of housing justice work across the city. Panelists also shared practical insights for students interested in this area of practice, with discussion co-moderated by Kayla and Keyana.



**You can find a recording of
the panel [here](#)!**

Pro Bono Opportunity

UNCONTESTED DIVORCE CLINIC



In collaboration with the NYS Office for Justice Initiatives, the **City Bar Justice Center's (CBJC) Uncontested Divorce Clinic** offers free legal help to individuals navigating the divorce process without an attorney.

The clinic occurs in person every Tuesday and Wednesday from 9:30am-12:30pm at Kings County Supreme Court. Under CBJC supervision, students will meet with pro se litigants to gather relevant case information and assist with preparing and filing uncontested divorce forms.

The clinic is seeking students who are available to volunteer at least two Tuesdays per month for the semester. A recorded training will be available for interested volunteers. Students will also receive training on the software required to successfully file documents for an uncontested divorce.

If interested:

Reach out to Cassandra Celestin
(ccelestin@nycbar.org) to express interest

Complete the form found in the Symplicity
posting (#79004) and submit it directly to
amohamed@nycourts.gov.

SPRING & SUMMER INTERNSHIPS FOR UPPERCLASS STUDENTS

As always, this is just a sampling of what's out there. You'll see lots more spring and summer internships on Symplicity in the coming months. You can always look at our [Online Job Search Resources Guide](#) to find more.

Spring externships for 2Ls/3Ls on Symplicity:

- Center for Constitutional Rights (New York, NY), #79097 **(paid!)**
- Community Service Society, Health Initiatives Department (New York, NY), #79160
- International Rescue Committee, Children's Legal Services (New York, NY), #79017
- NAACP Legal Defense and Educational Fund, Inc. (New York, NY), #79191
- NYC Gay & Lesbian Anti-Violence Project (New York, NY), #79188
- NYC Law Department (New York, NY), #79058
- NYS Office of the Attorney General - Several placements, #79071 **(paid!)**
- Sanctuary for Families, Anti-Trafficking Initiative (New York or Remote), #79098

Summer internships for 2Ls on Symplicity:

- Asian American Legal Defense and Education Fund (New York, NY), #79031
- Brooklyn Defender Services - Several practice areas (Brooklyn, NY), #79045 #79046 #79047 #79048 #79049
- Disability Rights New York (Remote), #79247
- Office of the District Attorney, Bronx County, #79234 **(paid!)**
- Legal Services of the Hudson Valley (New York), #79161 **(paid!)**
- Public Rights Project (Oakland, CA), #79105 **(paid!)**
- Sanctuary for Families - Anti-Trafficking Initiative (New York or Remote), #79099
- Volunteers of Legal Service - Immigration Project, Senior Law Project (New York, NY), #79144, #79145

NOTE: 2Ls can also apply for summer internships and 3Ls for postgrad jobs at the PILC Fair in February.

New York State Excelsior Service Fellowship Program

Excelsior Service Fellows work full time at host executive-branch agencies and authorities, advancing the operational and legal aspects of important policy initiatives. Fellows will also participate in a Professional Development program focusing on leadership development and the fundamentals of New York State government. After completing the Excelsior Service Fellowship Program, exceptional fellows may continue to serve New York State. More than 60% of prior classes of Excelsior Fellows were offered permanent positions with the State post-fellowship.



Program Requirements

- Candidates must have earned their graduate degree (i.e., MPA, MA, MBA) or an advanced degree (i.e., JD, PhD) in the 2025-26 academic year. Generally, this means August 2025–May/June 2026.
- Candidates must be eligible to work for New York State without employer sponsorship.



Fellowship Placements

Candidates are encouraged to note their areas of interest and any preferred placement agencies; however final placements will be dictated by budget and the needs of state government. Law school graduates will be placed in legal assignments unless they expressly request otherwise. While some opportunities exist in New York City and elsewhere in the state, most agency placements are located in Albany.

Sample placements include:

- NYS Executive Chamber
- Department of Environmental Conservation
- Empire State Development
- Office of Children & Family Services
- Department of Health

Application Process

Applications and nominations for the 2026 New York State Excelsior Service Fellowship Program will be administered by participating partner schools. **Interested applicants should submit the following materials in a single pdf through Symplicity #78918 by February 7:** resumé, transcript, personal statement, and two references/letters of recommendation.

There will be **virtual information sessions** this fall, the links can be found below. **Please save one of the following dates!**

- ★ • **Option 1: Tuesday, November 18, 5:00-6:00pm**
 - Join at [this link](#)
 - Access code: 2838 773 8118
 - Password: XaMFcu2D6N5
- **Option 2: Wednesday, December 3, 12:00-1:00pm**
 - Join at [this link](#)
 - Access code: 2834 207 3188
 - Password: 6gX4BaQnK27



Department of
Civil Service

Scan to learn more or visit ny.gov/ExcelsiorFellowship

The Legal Aid Society of NYC

Upcoming Deadlines

All offers made on a rolling basis, so early applications are encouraged!

Applications for **entry-level postgrad jobs** in the Civil, Juvenile, and Criminal Practices are open until **December 1, 2025 at 3:00 PM.** ★

Applications are open for Spring 2026 internships for **2Ls and 3Ls** until **December 29, 2025 at 3:00 PM:**

- Civil Practice Legal Intern
- Criminal Defense Legal Intern
- Juvenile Rights Practice Legal Intern
- Law Reform Legal Intern

Applications are open for Summer 2026 internships for **2Ls** until **February 6, 2026 at 3:00 PM:**

- Civil Practice Legal Intern
- Juvenile Rights Practice Legal Intern
- Law Reform Legal Intern
- Criminal Defense Practice Legal Intern

The Public Service Law Center is available to help you with your application! Please contact us at publicservice@brooklaw.edu to set up a meeting.

JANET D. STEIGER FELLOWSHIP



The Janet D. Steiger Fellowship places law students in consumer protection departments within Attorneys General offices, offering an invaluable introduction to public service legal careers. Each selected Fellow receives a stipend to support their work in advancing consumer protection efforts across the country.

FELLOWSHIP DATES
Summer 2026
APPLICATION WINDOW
October 10, 2025 through
November 28, 2025
WHO IS ELIGIBLE
1Ls & Above

APPLY NOW



Join us for an info session on November 17! Janet D. Steiger Fellowship Project chairs and former fellows will provide information on the fellowship to students interested in applying to the fellowship:

[Janet D. Steiger Fellowship - “Ask Us Anything” Virtual Meeting, 3 PM EST on November 17, 2025](#)

Related website: [Janet D. Steiger Fellowship Project](#)



Justice Catalyst 2026-2027 Fellowship

Justice Catalyst administers one-year, potentially renewable, project-based fellowships for graduating law students, or graduates up to two years out of law school, to support innovative public interest work at nonprofit organizations, as well as unions, government agencies, and plaintiff-side or public interest law firms.

Final application submissions will be open on the Justice Catalyst website until **December 1, 2025**. ★

View the 2025 Info Session and details about priority issue areas, priority strategies for justice, and more at www.justicecatalyst.org/fellowships/jc-fellowships.

You can also find this posting on Symplicity #78766.

Email fellowships@justicecatalyst.org with any questions about the fellowship or applications!



THE NEW YORK BAR FOUNDATION
2026 DIVERSITY SUMMER FELLOWSHIP IN HEALTH LAW
NEW YORK STATE BAR ASSOCIATION/HEALTH LAW SECTION

The New York Bar Foundation is pleased to announce the ***2026 Diversity Summer Fellowship in Health Law*** which has been established by The Foundation through a gift from the Health Law Section of the New York State Bar Association. The Fellowship will be awarded to a law student who is currently enrolled in a law school in the State of New York to work with a healthcare attorney or facility in the State of New York during the summer of 2026.

Fellowship Program Goals

The Health Law Section of the New York State Bar Association is pleased to announce the 2026 Diversity Summer Fellowship in Health Law. The Diversity Summer Fellowship in Health Law is part of the New York State Bar Association's Diversity Challenge to develop and execute initiatives to increase the diversity of its membership, leadership, and programs. The primary goal of the Fellowship is to increase representation of lawyers and students from a diverse range of backgrounds in health law and provide students from a diverse range of backgrounds an opportunity to experience health law practice.

Eligibility

The Fellowship is open to all students as of the Fall 2025 semester who are enrolled in a law school in the State of New York, who intend to practice law in New York State upon graduation, and who are capable of fulfilling the requested work hours and responsibilities. Fellowship finalists may be interviewed in person or virtually.

The Fellowship

The Fellowship will be awarded as follows:

The Diversity Summer Fellowship in Health Law plans to place a law student in an 8-week summer fellowship with a healthcare attorney or facility across New York State, including but not limited to Albany, New York City, Long Island and Westchester.

- 8-week fellowship
- Placement with a health law attorney in the healthcare industry
- \$ 6,000 Stipend
- Luncheon with healthcare leaders and attorneys

The Fellow will be a guest member of the NYSBA Health Law Section for one year starting with the award of the Fellowship.

1. The Fellow will be invited to attend Executive Committee meetings of the NYSBA Health Law Section during the fall meeting.
2. The Fellowship recipient will be announced in January 2026.

**Completed application must be submitted by email on or before
Friday, December 5, 2025. Learn more and access the application [here](#).**

Aaron Wersing Employment Discrimination SCHOLARSHIP CONTEST



AARON WERSING EMPLOYMENT DISCRIMINATION SCHOLARSHIP CONTEST

DEADLINE: THURSDAY, DECEMBER 1, 2025 ★

The Aaron Wersing Employment Discrimination Scholarship contest is accepting submissions until Thursday, December 1, 2025. This contest only requires a 500-word cohesive, creative essay "about what employment discrimination law is and how job discrimination rates can be reduced and mitigated." One student winner will receive a \$1,000 scholarship.

SCHOLARSHIP DETAILS:

- **Sponsor:** The Law Office of Aaron D. Wersing, PLLC
- **Topic & Format:** "We are asking students to write a 500-word essay about what employment discrimination law is and how job discrimination rates can be reduced and mitigated. We are looking for the most creative and cohesive essay."
- **Eligibility requirements:** "Applicants must be EITHER be out-going high school seniors (graduating summer 2025) OR students currently enrolled in a college, trade school, university, or law school as of the start of the fall 2025 semester."
- **Prize:** "The student who is selected will receive a \$1,000 scholarship to put towards their tuition costs."

Interested students can email askthelibrary@brooklaw.edu for help finding legal news sources and legal treatises on employment discrimination.

Provided is a summary of instructions for the contest. Sponsors/facilitators of student writing competitions provide more detailed instructions on their [websites](#) that students should review.

SUBMISSION DETAILS:

Submit the following via email to scholarships@fedlawoffice.com:

- Your Name
- A valid email address
- Phone Number
- A copy of your transcript or proof of enrollment
- A copy of your 500-word essay as a Word document

QUESTIONS?

Need help or advice on jobs, internships, fellowships, resumes/cover letters, interviewing, or pro bono? Email us to make an appointment!

Public Service Law Center
Monday-Thursday, 9:00AM - 5:00PM
publicservice@brooklaw.edu

Check out all our resources on
[BLS Connect!](#)



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