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## LEARN ABOUT THE PILC FAIR!

### Happy November!

Registration for the PILC Fair opens on November 15. The PSLC will register all 1Ls for the fair. With hundreds of public interest employers attending, it is a great forum for finding internships & postgrad opportunities.

PSLC will be hosting info sessions to help prepare you for the PILC Fair and offer tips for success! Find more information on the [next page](#).

# THE 49TH ANNUAL PUBLIC INTEREST LEGAL CAREER FAIR



FEBRUARY  
**5&6**  
VIRTUAL  
**2026**

[PILCFAIR.LAW.NYU.EDU](https://pilcfair.law.nyu.edu)

The Public Interest Legal Career (PILC) Fair is a virtual career fair held annually in February and is attended by 300+ public interest employers. Many hire summer interns through the fair, and it is a huge source of summer internships for 1Ls. There are also a few permanent job opportunities available.

## GET PREPARED FOR THE PILC FAIR WITH THE PUBLIC SERVICE LAW CENTER!

### INS AND OUTS OF THE PILC FAIR

**NOVEMBER 11**

**12:45 - 1:45 PM**

**STUDENT LOUNGE**

Hear from current students who secured an internship from the PILC Fair last year and learn how to maximize your chances for an interview.

Lunch will be served!

### APPLYING FOR INTERNSHIPS AT THE PILC FAIR: GUIDE TO THE PORTAL

**NOVEMBER 13**

**12:45 - 1:45 PM**

**ZOOM**

We'll show you how to successfully navigate the PILC Fair's website and best use PILC Fair's online portal to apply for internships. Find Zoom link on the BLSCConnect Calendar.



**Wednesday, 11.12.25, 6pm**

**- Subotnick 11th Floor -**

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**Join the Housing Justice Clinic & the PSLC  
for a discussion on Tenant Protections  
and Community Lawyering**

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

INTRO TO CAREERS IN

*Criminal Justice*

What does it take to get a job as a prosecutor or public defender? When do you have to “pick a side”, and how do you do so? Hear from attorneys in the field about their work, the organizations where they work, and their advice for students.

Hosted by the Public Service Law Center and the Career Development Center







# Diversity Networking Forum

## *November 13, 5:00 - 7:00 PM*

New York Legal Assistance Group (NYLAG) is hosting our annual Diversity Networking Forum on Thursday, November 13th from 5:00 – 7:00pm.

The Public Interest Law Diversity Networking Forum is a space for current law students and recent grads to learn about careers in public interest law, how to pursue them, and how to afford it all. This panel discussion will highlight important information for law students and give them an opportunity to speak with our staff about how to navigate challenges and obstacles along this career path. There will also be resume reviews and interview preparation available.

**RSVP here.**

Event will take place at 767 5th Ave, New York, NY 10153.

Attendees can let security know they are looking for Weil, Gotshal & Manges LLP and they will direct them upstairs and to the room.

**NYLAG**

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

**11/12**  
**6 - 8 PM**

Tenant Justice Panel, Subotnick 11<sup>th</sup> Floor

If/When/How General Body Meeting,  
Room 502

**11/17**  
**12:45 -**  
**1:45 PM**

**11/18**  
**4 - 6 PM**

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

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](mailto: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!**



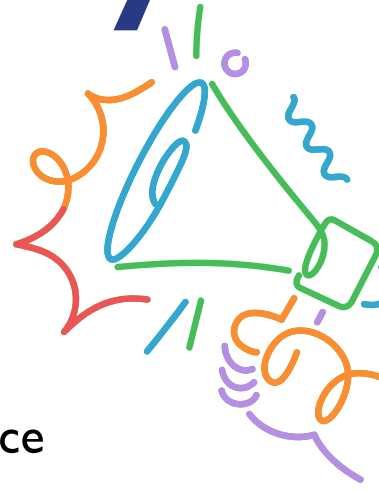
**NOVEMBER 18**

**4-6 PM | RM 401**



# 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](mailto:ccelestin@nycbar.org)) to express interest

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

- Brennan Center for Justice, #78824 (**paid!**)
- Center for Constitutional Rights (New York, NY), #79097 (**paid!**)
- Mobilization for Justice - Immigration Law Project (New York, NY), #78893
- NYC Department of Social Services - Disciplinary Affairs #78511
- NYC Kings County Criminal Court, Hon. Devin R. Robinson (Brooklyn, NY), #78859
- 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
- The Legal Aid Society - Several practice areas (New York, NY), #79135, #79136
- U.S District Judge for the Eastern District of NY, Hon. Dora L. Irizarry (Brooklyn, NY), #79059

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## Summer internships for 2Ls on Symplicity:

- ACLU - Southern Legal Internship, #78720 (**paid!**)
- Brooklyn Defender Services - Several practice areas (Brooklyn, NY), #79045 #79046 #79047 #79048 #79049
- Charleston Pro Bono Legal Services, Inc. (Charleston, SC), #78842 (**paid!**)
- Mobilization for Justice (New York, NY), #79116
- New York Civil Liberties Union - Several internships (New York, NY), #79051, #79055, #79057 (**paid!**)
- New York Lawyers for Public Interest, #78701
- Sanctuary for Families - Anti-Trafficking Initiative (New York or Remote), #79099
- The Bronx Defenders - Several practice areas (Bronx, NY), #78891
- The Legal Aid Society - Juvenile Rights Practice (New York, NY), #78845
- 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.

# 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](mailto:publicservice@brooklaw.edu) to set up a meeting.

# 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](https://ny.gov/ExcelsiorFellowship)

# 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**







# *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](http://www.justicecatalyst.org/fellowships/jc-fellowships).

You can also find this posting on Symplicity #78766.

Email [fellowships@justicecatalyst.org](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto:publicservice@brooklaw.edu)

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



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