

2021 Public Rights Project Fellowship

State and Local Government Impact Litigation

THE PUBLIC RIGHTS PROJECT FELLOWSHIP

Public Rights Project helps talented attorneys find pathways into rewarding public service careers. We place skilled, public interest-minded fellows into state or local government law offices -- City Attorneys, District Attorneys, or Attorneys General -- for two years. Fellows have the opportunity to work on a range of civil rights, economic justice, and environmental justice issues that directly impact vulnerable populations locally and across the country.

Fellows will work collaboratively alongside colleagues in their government offices on affirmative litigation, coalition building and community engagement, policy initiatives, and other enforcement projects developed with their placement offices. They will help build out new cases and generate new ideas for their office to expand public rights enforcement.

COMMITMENT TO DIVERSITY

Public Rights Project is committed to the principles and practices of equal employment opportunity. We aim to assemble an applicant pool that represents the communities we serve. We believe that a variety of perspectives enrich the efficacy of the work of local and state governments. We encourage applications from candidates with diverse backgrounds and experiences.

All qualified applicants will receive consideration without regard to their race, religion, ancestry, national origin, ethnicity, sex, gender (including pregnancy and gender identity or expression), sexual orientation, color, age, mental or physical disability, marital status, veteran status, genetic information, medical condition, or any other classification protected by federal, state, or local law or ordinance.

STIPEND

The fellowship pays a yearly stipend calculated based on the fellow's legal experience, cost of living in the fellow's placement city, and the average pay of other attorneys in the fellow's placement office. Generally, the stipend will range from \$60,000-\$80,000.

ELIGIBILITY

Fellows must have an active bar membership in a U.S. state and a passion for public service. The fellowship is likely to be best suited for attorneys with 3-5 years of legal experience after law school and a background in litigation.

LOCATIONS

During the 2021-23 cycle, fellows will have the opportunity to work in one of the following offices:

- Harris County Attorney's Office,
- Los Angeles Civil, Human Rights & Equity Department,
- Massachusetts Attorney General's Office,
- Oakland City Attorney's Office,
- Philadelphia District Attorney's Office,
- Pima County Attorney's Office,
- Travis County District Attorney's Office,
- and Washtenaw Prosecuting Attorney's Office.

Learn more about specific position descriptions <u>here</u>.

HOW TO APPLY

Click <u>here</u> to learn more about the fellowship and apply by May 24, 2021 at 10:00pm PT. You can also <u>sign up</u> to attend an informational online webinar to ask questions and hear from current fellows.