

Economic Justice Summer Internship Program Seeking Applicants for Summer 2019

The National Center for Law and Economic Justice, a national law and policy organization, advances the cause of economic justice for low-income families, individuals, and communities and support for grassroots organizing. NCLEJ uses ground-breaking impact litigation, policy advocacy, and support for grassroots organizing. NCLEJ litigated and still enforces *Goldberg v. Kelly*, 397 U.S. 254 (1970), the landmark Supreme Court case securing the due process right to a hearing before termination of public assistance.

Areas of work include championing the rights of low-income debtors; challenging fines and fees imposed on low income people in the criminal justice system; fighting for the rights of low wage workers, including those in non-traditional employment; protecting the rights of low-income people to Medicaid and food stamps; combatting discrimination based on race, language ability, disability, or immigration status; and ensuring access to health care, including family planning services.

Internship Description and Qualifications: Students will work with staff attorneys to support ongoing impact litigation and class actions, policy analysis, and advocacy. Students have had the opportunity to assist with fact development and research for new litigation; discovery matters in pending litigation; legal and policy research on a variety of public benefits and issues relating to federal court litigation; and collaborations with organizations based in low-income communities.

Candidate must be a student at an accredited school of law. Excellent writing and research skills are essential. NCLEJ supports students seeking academic credit. NCLEJ also supports students to whom it has offered a position in seeking funding from outside sources.

NCLEJ is an equal opportunity employer and will not discriminate because of race, creed, color, national origin, sex, age, disability, predisposing genetic characteristics, marital or family status, sexual orientation, gender identity, or other consideration prohibited by law. Persons who are of color, are former recipients of public assistance, or have grown up in poverty are especially encouraged to apply.

How to apply: Send a cover letter, resume, list of references, and short writing sample to student@nclej.org. We will contact you if we wish to schedule an interview.