



Fall 2021 Legal Fellowship Sponsorship

The National Center for Law and Economic Justice (NCLEJ) seeks energetic, motivated candidates with a record of commitment to social justice, and excellent writing, legal research and communication skills, to host for fellowships that would start in September 2021, including Skadden, Equal Justice Works, and any other relevant fellowships.

NCLEJ advances the cause of economic justice for low-income families, individuals, and communities across the country, using ground-breaking impact litigation, policy advocacy, and support for grassroots organizing. NCLEJ fights discrimination against people of color, women, immigrants, and people with disabilities, and works to build systems that provide economic security and full participation in society to all. Our current advocacy is focused on 1) preserving and maintaining access to government benefits; 2) protecting and securing the rights of workers; 3) combatting unlawful and abusive debt collection; and 4) advocating for people with disabilities.

NCLEJ welcomes applications describing possible projects that fit within NCLEJ's mission and areas of work, as well as applications from individuals who have not yet formulated a project. Projects can be national or regional in scope, or focused on the New York City area, and can include impact litigation, legal and policy advocacy, training, and community education. We will work with selected applicants to develop a project in an area of emerging work. Possible areas for fellowship opportunities include:

- Protecting the rights of workers and advancing health and safety in the workplace
- Fighting for the rights of people with disabilities
- Challenging unconstitutional collection of criminal justice debt
- Protecting and expanding access to health care under Medicaid programs
- Protecting families' access to safety net programs

NCLEJ's current salary scale for a law graduate is \$62,400. Generous benefits.

Interested candidates should submit (1) a cover letter setting out why you believe you would be a good candidate for such a fellowship, and potential areas of interest for your fellowship project, (2) a resume, (3) a writing sample, and (4) three references to fellowship@nclej.org. If you have any questions, please email fellowship@nclej.org.

NCLEJ strongly encourages people of all backgrounds to apply, including people of color, people with disabilities, LGBTQ+ people, and people from other historically disenfranchised communities.

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