



VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES FOR LAW STUDENTS

Clerkships/Externships/Student Practice

Law students can apply for externship opportunities at Legal Aid Center in the Children's Attorneys Project (helping kids in foster care or special education), the Family Justice Project (family law and immigration), or the Consumer Rights Project (general consumer law, bankruptcy, and adult guardianship). Legal Aid Center clerkships are also available in the Family Law or Civil Law Self-Help Centers. A legislative externship is also available every session. Paid clerkship opportunities might also be available for fall, spring, and summer semesters. Student practice is an available option for any returning law clerk who qualifies under the court's student practice rule.

Interested students can contact Sophia Romero at SRomero@lacs.nv.gov

Partners In Pro Bono Program

A volunteer law student is paired with an experienced attorney to work on a pro bono case. The mentor attorney allows the law student to participate in every aspects of the case, from the initial client interview and demand letter all the way through possible litigation. Cases include family law, civil fraud, bankruptcy, and sometimes supreme court appeals and federal litigation. The program begins in September of each year; students are encouraged to stay with the case until completion. Student practice is an option for those who qualify under the court's student practice rule.

Interested students can contact Christine Smith at Christine.Smith@UNLV.edu

Volunteer Education Advocate Program

Legal Aid Center provides training and support to volunteers who are willing to become a Volunteer Education Advocate for children with disabilities in foster care, helping to ensure each child's school is meeting his or her disability-related needs. These volunteers will advocate with the school district for services or accommodations and participate in the Individualized Education Plan (IEP) process.

Interested students can contact Ilka Szaktilla at IFisher@lacs.nv.gov

Community Legal Education Classes - Additional Outreach

Occasionally, local nonprofit agencies ask Legal Aid Center to present the free community legal education classes at other locations throughout Clark County. Law students who have taught particular classes can volunteer to assist a Legal Aid Center staff attorney in presenting the class.

Interested students can contact at Christine Miller at CMiller@lacs.nv.gov

Other Volunteer Opportunities

Law students willing to commit more than 20 hours of service in a semester working on a case with a pro bono attorney, volunteering at one of the Self-Help Centers, or assisting at a special event can contact Sophia Romero at SRomero@lacs.nv.gov for available opportunities.