

Law Student Opportunities

Civil Law Division

Licensing Section

Los Angeles



Licensing Section attorneys represent the state licensing agencies, both within and outside of the Department of Consumer Affairs. They handle all phases of complex, sensitive, and difficult administrative litigation, including appeals from denials of applications for licensure, prosecution of disciplinary actions against licensees, interim suspension and relief cases, license reinstatement cases, probation modification and termination cases, and injunctive proceedings against professional and vocational licensees and unlicensed individuals. They handle civil judicial review proceedings arising out of administrative litigation, including petitions for writ of mandate under California Civil Procedure sections 1094.5 and 1085, and interlocutory writs and appeals. Additionally, they work with agency investigators to obtain and develop evidence and advise the agencies on legal matters, including settlement options, expert and/or consultant needs, and strategy, and provide training to agency staff.

Understandably, the work of the section is as diverse as the interests represented. The law clerk and student intern program is designed to give a meaningful introduction to the practice of law, including exposure to the varied legal problems handled by the Licensing Section. 2L and 3L interns may have opportunities to represent our clients in administrative hearings before an administrative law judge under the supervision of a deputy attorney general. The program enables the student to demonstrate his or her ability and skills, and in the process, to experience the practical aspects of public legal practice. We offer unpaid internships for 2L and 3L law students during the Fall, Spring or Summer. Completion of an evidence course and a civil procedure course is required. For Fall and Spring semesters, at least 2 full days are required. Summer internships are full-time.

How to Apply:

Submit a cover letter, resume and writing sample to:

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