

Law Student Opportunities

Public Rights Division

Civil Rights Enforcement Section,

Worker Rights and Fair Labor Bureau

Oakland



The Worker Rights and Fair Labor Bureau of the California Department of Justice, Office of the Attorney General, has volunteer extern opportunities available for law school students in its Oakland Office. The Bureau invites interested and motivated candidates to apply.

The Worker Rights and Fair Labor Bureau, which is part of the Civil Rights Enforcement Section, brings civil and criminal actions to protect workers and uphold workplace standards. The Bureau has used California's Unfair Competition law to obtain restitution of unpaid wages, civil penalties, and injunctions to bring businesses into compliance with applicable labor and employment, tax, and insurance laws.

The Bureau engages in a broad array of work ranging from initiating investigations into unscrupulous industries and employers who may be exploiting the State's most vulnerable workers, pursuing civil litigation and criminal prosecution to enforce California's wage and hour laws, authoring amicus briefs, submitting comments in response to proposed federal rules and regulations, and monitoring proposed legislation regarding labor and employment matters.

The Worker Rights and Fair Labor Bureau works closely with other federal, state and local law enforcement agencies including the California Department of Industrial Relations - Division of Labor Standards Enforcement, the Employment Development Department, and the United States Department of Labor. It also coordinates its efforts with other sections of the Attorney General's Office.

Law student externs will assist deputy attorneys general by reviewing and assessing evidence in investigations and related projects and preparing written memoranda on a broad range of complex legal issues. Externs may also assist with witness interviews and may attend court hearings.

How to Apply:

Please submit a cover letter, resume, writing sample, and two references, preferably via email as indicated below:

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