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U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs Office of General Counsel Internship

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The Office of the General Counsel of the Department of Veterans Affairs, in various locations, seeks students for a volunteer (non-paid/school credit) externship. Extern assignments will be primarily in the area of labor & employment law litigation.

About the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA):

The Department of Veterans Affairs operates the nation's largest integrated health care system, with more than 1,700 hospitals, clinics, community living centers, and other facilities. It also administers a variety of benefits and services that provide financial and other forms of assistance to service members, veterans, their dependents, and survivors.

The mission of the Office of General Counsel (OGC) is to identify and meet the legal needs of the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA). Its primary objective is to ensure the just and faithful execution of the laws, regulations, and policies that the Secretary has responsibility for administering, and by so doing enable VA to accomplish its mission of service to our Nation's veterans.

OGC attorneys provide a full range of legal and litigation services to VA medical centers and outpatient clinics located in around the country. The extern will have the opportunity to work closely with attorneys and will be expected to conduct legal research, factual investigations, prepare pretrial discovery, and draft internal memoranda and pretrial motions, among other tasks.

How to Apply:

Please submit a resume, writing sample, grade sheet (if available), and cover letter to the following:

Lisa Yee,
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OGC Midwest District
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In your cover letter, please list the number of hours per week you can devote to the externship.

OTHER KEY REQUIREMENTS

- You must be a U.S. citizen to apply for this externship.
- Subject to a background/suitability investigation.
- Selective Service Registration is required for males born after 12/31/1959.