

Law Student Opportunities

Civil Law Division

Health, Education and Welfare Section

San Francisco



The Health, Education and Welfare Section (HEW) has openings for interns/law clerks for the summer, fall, and spring. The HEW section handles the litigation for all of the major health and welfare agencies in the State including the Departments of Public Health, Social Services, State Hospitals, Developmental Services, Rehabilitation, Employment Development, Toxic Substances Control, and Unemployment Insurance Appeals Board. Our cases are high profile and interesting, and often deal with major constitutional and/or policy issues. Our caseload includes work performed at the administrative as well as the trial and appellate court levels. Our clients are large, institutional agencies with diverse legal needs.

Under the supervision of an attorney, interns/law clerks will write briefs, do research, and if certified, argue cases. Intern/law clerks are encouraged to follow cases through to trial or hearing, if possible. Although this is a volunteer position, it provides an excellent opportunity to become familiar with a government litigation practice and to work in an office that provides outstanding support and supervision. If it is possible for students to receive academic credit for the position, we will be happy to cooperate.

HEW will also consider recent graduates awaiting Bar results for its fall Post-Graduate Fellowship positions.

How to Apply:

Applicants must have excellent writing skills. First, second or third year students are welcome to apply. Please send hard or soft copies of a cover letter, resume, writing sample, and a list of references to:

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