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Law Student Opportunities

Civil Law Division
Correctional Law Section
Sacramento

The Civil Law Division, Correctional Law Section ("CLS"), provides exciting and rewarding opportunities for candidates interested in pursuing a career in public service and, specifically, correctional and constitutional law.

Deputy Attorneys General in CLS represent employees of the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation in civil suits filed by prisoners. Cases range in scope from individual damages claims to large-scale class actions seeking permanent injunctive relief, and from state tort claims to complex constitutional issues. Deputies are responsible for their own cases from the initial appearance in trial court through appeal and appear regularly in both state and federal courts. The majority of cases are federal civil rights lawsuits challenging conditions of confinement.

Students selected as semester or summer interns will assist deputies with writing projects; civil pleadings, including motions to dismiss and motions for summary judgment; civil discovery requests and responses; and appellate briefs. Interns may have the opportunity to accompany and assist deputies at depositions and trials. Many of the Sacramento deputies are former interns.

Second-year law students interested in a career in public service and civil litigation are encouraged to apply. Students interested in applying for a semester or summer intern position must have excellent writing, research, and analytical skills. Applicants should have completed law school classes in civil procedure, constitutional law, and legal research and writing. Appellate and trial advocacy classes may also be helpful, but not required. The positions are generally unpaid; students may, however, obtain school credit for their work. Application deadlines are as follows: Summer 2008, mail application by March 21, 2008; and for Fall 2008, mail application by July 18, 2008.

How to Apply:

Students interested in applying for an intern position with the Correctional Law Section in the Sacramento Office should submit a cover letter, resume, writing sample, and law school transcript to:

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