NEW EXTERNSHIP OPPORTUNITY-FALL 2015

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
EXECUTIVE OFFICE FOR IMMIGRATION REVIEW
CHICAGO IMMIGRATION COURT
Fall 2015 Internship Positions

The United States Department of Justice has openings for legal interns with the Chicago Immigration Court for the fall of 2015. All rising second and third year law students are eligible and encouraged to apply. Prior knowledge of immigration law is helpful, but not absolutely necessary. Strong research and writing skills are required.

Issues commonly before the court include asylum, cancellation of removal, and motions to reopen. The types of projects assigned to legal interns vary depending on the court’s docket, and will entail:

* Research and preparation of memoranda on complex legal issues
* Drafting decisions on motions pending before the court
* Drafting decisions on applications for relief from removal

This internship offers an excellent opportunity to develop research, writing and analytical skills. Legal interns will work under the supervision of the court’s attorney advisors, but will also have interaction with individual immigration judges.

This internship is an unpaid/volunteer position; however, students may be eligible for academic credit or work-study funding. Students interested in receiving credit or work-study should contact the appropriate person at their law school to determine their eligibility. A commitment of 10-12 hours per week is required by the court.

All applicants must be United States citizens. The position is contingent on passing a security background check. Interested students should email a detailed cover letter, resume, law school transcript (official or unofficial), and writing sample (unedited) of no more than fifteen pages (this may be an excerpt from a longer piece), to:

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All applications must be received by
5 p.m. on Monday, June 1, 2015.

Interviews will be held in early June. Interns will be expected to start late August or early September. Students seeking to earn academic credit through the Loyola University Chicago Externship program must submit his or her internal application to Professor Josie M. Gough, Director, Experiential Learning on or by July 15, 2015. Please deliver the application to Professor Gough in room 1331. Students receiving academic credit may not be compensated (from any source) for their work as an extern.