

**HISPANIC BAR ASSOCIATION OF THE
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA (HBA-DC) FOUNDATION
PUBLIC INTEREST FELLOWSHIPS - SUMMER 2020 OVERVIEW**

The Hispanic Bar Association of DC Foundation (“HBA-DC Foundation”) is pleased to announce fellowship opportunities to support public interest legal work during the summer of 2019. The HBA-DC Foundation will award one or more fellowships in an amount between \$5,000 and \$10,000.

Eligibility Criteria: This fellowship is intended to support law students working with a public interest organization in the Washington, D.C. Metropolitan area in a position that is otherwise not compensated by the sponsoring entity.

To be eligible for consideration, an applicant must be: (1) a first or second- year law student (JD) in good standing; (2) actively enrolled in, and attending, one of the following accredited law schools located in the District of Columbia or its immediate suburbs: the Columbus School of Law at the Catholic University of America, Antonin Scalia Law School at George Mason University, George Washington University Law School, Georgetown University Law Center, Howard University School of Law, the David A. Clarke School of Law at the University of the District of Columbia, or the Washington College of Law at American University; and (3) with an arrangement to work full-time for a minimum of eight weeks with a sponsoring entity. The sponsoring organization must be all of the following: (1) a not-for-profit, non-governmental organization; (2) located in the Washington, D.C. Metropolitan area; (3) providing advocacy or direct legal services to persons in the D.C. metro area; (4) at low cost or no cost to the clients. Preference will be given to students who will provide advocacy or direct legal services to low-income individuals with sponsoring organizations that serve the Latino community in Washington, DC.

Past Sponsoring Organizations include, but are not limited to:

AARP Legal Counsel for the Elderly,
AYUDA,
Capital Area Immigrants’ Rights (CAIR) Coalition,
CASA de Maryland,
Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Washington,
District of Columbia Public Defender Service (PD offices in Virginia and Maryland do not qualify),
Employment Justice Center (EJC),
Kids in Need of Defense (KIND),
Lawyers’ Committee for Civil Rights,
Legal Aid Society of DC,
Mexican American Legal Defense and Educational Fund (MALDEF),
Migrant Legal Action Program (MLAP),
Neighborhood Legal Services Program (NLSP), and
Tahiri Justice Center

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**HBA-DC FOUNDATION
PUBLIC INTEREST FELLOWSHIP APPLICATION**

**To be considered for the summer 2020 funding cycle,
a completed application must be received by the HBA-DC Foundation
BY NO LATER THAN
*MIDNIGHT ON FRIDAY, APRIL 17, 2020***

The complete application may be typed or handwritten in black or blue ink and must be e-mailed to:

fellowships@hbadc.org.

A completed application must include:

- (1) This application form, including a personal statement of no more than 300 words, which indicates your reasons for seeking a summer position with the sponsoring organization referenced in your application;
 - (2) A letter from your sponsoring organization indicating its willingness to host you as a law student intern in the summer of 2020;
 - (3) One recommendation letter from a law professor, former employer, or other professional/educational reference (if the letter is e-mailed separately from the application package, it must be received by the HBA-DC Foundation by midnight on April 17, 2020 in order to be considered);
 - (4) Your current resume;
 - (5) Complete financial information worksheet for academic year 2019-2020 (Section IV);
- and
- (6) Your latest law school transcript (unofficial copies are acceptable).

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I. PERSONAL INFORMATION

Full Name:	
Physical Address	
City, State	
Telephone Number	
Alternate Telephone Number	
E-mail Address:	
Law School Name:	
Year of Expected Graduation:	
Current Grade Point Average:	

II. SPONSORING ENTITY SUMMER 2019

Sponsoring Organization Name:	
Organization Website:	
Physical Address:	
City, State	
Supervisor Name and Title:	
Supervisor Telephone Number:	
Supervisor E-mail Address:	

Please describe the type of legal or advocacy service(s) that your sponsoring organization provides as well as the client base they serve. What type of legal or advocacy matters will you focus on during your summer fellowship?

III. REFERENCE CONTACT INFORMATION (This information is for follow-up purposes and does not substitute for the required recommendation letter.)

Full Reference Name:	
Reference Title:	
Physical Address	
City, State	
Telephone Number:	
E-mail Address:	

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E-mail Address:	

IV. FINANCIAL INFORMATION WORKSHEET FOR ACADEMIC YEAR 2019-2020

The selection committee will consider a student’s financial need as one factor in evaluating her/his application. Please use information from your Student Aid Report (SAR), FAFSA, financial aid letter, and/or latest income tax returns to complete the information below:

Annual Expenses

School Tuition:	\$
Room and Board:	\$
Non-Law School Loans:	\$

Annual Financial Aid

Educational Loans:	\$
School Tuition Waiver(s):	\$
School and Third-Party Scholarships (list all source names and amounts):	\$
Special Grants (list all awards or fellowships received, awarded or expected as of the date of this application including Equal Justice Foundation (EJF) grant):	\$
Work Study:	\$
Family Educational Contribution (such as parental or spousal support) :	\$

Annual Income

For tax purposes, do you file as a dependent, head of household, or jointly with spouse?	\$
Self (net after taxes and deductions):	\$
Spouse (net after taxes and deductions):	\$
Parent(s) (net after taxes and deductions):	\$
Government Benefits:	\$

Current Assets

Real Estate (approximate value, net of mortgage and liens):	\$
Automobile:	\$
Stocks, bonds, trust fund, etc.:	\$

Briefly describe your financial circumstances, including how the fellowship would influence your ability to provide otherwise unpaid public interest legal services this summer.

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that 1) the information contained in this application and in the accompanying materials is true and correct to the best of my knowledge; and (2) that if awarded a fellowship, I will submit a written statement to the HBA-DC Foundation no later than the last day of the fellowship period describing my work with the sponsoring organization and the significance of the fellowship for my professional development.

Signature:	
Date:	