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## UCLA Prison Law Summer 2018 Job Search Guide

Organizations	Description	Contact	Website
Abolitionist Law Center	The Abolitionist Law Center offers legal internships year-round to law students who want to work with us in defending the human rights of prisoners in Pennsylvania. Our casework includes litigation challenging solitary confinement and prison censorship, exposure to toxic coal waste at SCI Fayette, juvenile life without parole, and other projects we are involved in or developing.	Interested applicants should email a resume, cover letter, legal writing sample (no more than 5 pages), and two references to <a href="mailto:info@abolitionistlawcenter.org">info@abolitionistlawcenter.org</a> .	<a href="http://abolitionistlawcenter.org/">http://abolitionistlawcenter.org/</a>
ACLU National Prison Project (Washington, D.C.)	This is one of the premier prisoners' rights litigation shops in the country. They are involved in prisoner litigation nationwide. They have filled their summer slots for 2018, but are actively soliciting applications for full-time externships for both spring and fall semesters 2018.	Send CV, writing sample, and references to Eric Balaban at <a href="mailto:ebalaban@aclu.org">ebalaban@aclu.org</a>	<a href="https://www.aclu.org/prisoners-rights/aclu-national-prison-project">https://www.aclu.org/prisoners-rights/aclu-national-prison-project</a>
ACLU Disability Rights Program (San Francisco, CA)			<a href="https://www.aclu.org/issues/disability-rights">https://www.aclu.org/issues/disability-rights</a>

<p>ACLU of Alaska (Anchorage, AK)</p>	<p>As integral members of the ACLU of Alaska’s legal team, our clerks gain practical experience through defending and expanding Alaskans’ civil liberties and constitutional rights. Law clerks may work on current litigation, legislative advocacy, policy research, and public education. While the ACLU of Alaska is a multi-issue organization, improving prison conditions and advocating on behalf of prisoners are significant components of our work. We are currently focused on: ensuring that inmates receive the medical and mental healthcare they need; protecting inmates’ right to religious freedom, including the possession of religious items; ending the practice of solitary confinement of juveniles; and enabling Alaska Native people to return to their native villages after incarceration. The ideal candidate: has completed coursework in constitutional law and legal writing; possesses excellent research skills, can write clearly and concisely, and has the ability to analyze complex legal issues; and is committed to civil liberties, social justice, and serving the public interest. The ACLU of Alaska will review applications as they come in and will accept them until it fills the position. The ideal candidate would work for 10 weeks between June and September 2018.</p>	<p>To apply, please email a resume, cover letter, unofficial transcript, three references, and a writing sample to <a href="mailto:jobs@acluak.org">jobs@acluak.org</a> with the headline “Summer Law Clerk.”</p>	<p><a href="https://www.acluak.org/">https://www.acluak.org/</a></p>
<p>ACLU of Idaho (Boise, ID)</p>	<p>The American Civil Liberties Union of Idaho (ACLU-ID) seeks applicants for its Summer 2018 Internship/Externship program. Successful candidates will have the opportunity to be an integral part of the Idaho affiliate of the ACLU, the nation’s premier guardian of liberty, from May through August 2018. Successful candidates will be based in the ACLU-ID office in Boise, Idaho, and supervised by the Legal Director of the ACLU-ID. In/Externs’ chief responsibilities will be assisting with pending and upcoming litigation, reviewing and responding appropriately to civil liberties complaints from people throughout Idaho, conducting legal research and writing on legal and legislative matters, and investigating complaints by contacting witnesses and prospective clients. In/externs may also have opportunities to accompany ACLU-ID legal staff to court appearances, depositions, client and witness interviews, settlement negotiations, and consent decree monitoring visits. The ACLU-ID maintains a busy litigation practice in both federal and state courts as well as in administrative and local matters, exclusively in impact cases raising constitutional and civil liberties issues of major legal and societal significance. This in/externship is unpaid, although the ACLU-ID will cooperate with successful candidates to obtain academic credit for internship or externship work if it is available from an in/extern’s law school. The in/externship is full-time, but start and end dates, as well as weekly schedules, are flexible and we will discuss those with applicants selected for interviews.</p> <p>Because the selection process for this in/externship has become highly competitive, we encourage thoughtful applications. We will review applications in two installments—in December and again in February—until we fill two or three seats. Outstanding early applications, however, could garner an earlier invitation. Cover letters should plainly demonstrate the applicant’s commitment to public interest law, explain any litigation or law office experience, and note how the applicant learned of this in/externship opportunity.</p>	<p>Please send a cover letter, résumé, writing sample, and contact information for two law-related references to Richard Eppink, Legal Director, ACLU of Idaho, P.O. Box 1897, Boise, Idaho 83701, or <a href="mailto:reppink@acluidaho.org">reppink@acluidaho.org</a>.</p>	<p><a href="http://www.acluidaho.org/">http://www.acluidaho.org/</a></p>

<p>ACLU of Maryland (Baltimore, MD)</p>			<p><a href="http://aclu-md.org/">http://aclu-md.org/</a></p>
<p>ACLU of New Jersey (Newark, NJ)</p>	<p>The ACLU-NJ has made ending mass incarceration and solitary confinement organizational priorities and is engaging in policy, litigation, and public education work related to these goals. On the legal front, we are litigating to reform conditions for juveniles and reduce the use of solitary confinement, are monitoring a class action conditions case, and have advocated on behalf of LGBTQ prisoners. If students want to focus their internship on prisoners' rights work, they should mention it in their cover letter.</p>	<p>Interested applicants should complete the online application: <a href="https://www.aclu-nj.org/act/internships/applicationform/">https://www.aclu-nj.org/act/internships/applicationform/</a></p>	<p><a href="https://www.aclu-nj.org/">https://www.aclu-nj.org/</a></p>
<p>ACLU of Southern California – Jails Project (Los Angeles, CA)</p>	<p>We continually have opportunities for summer and term-time legal interns to support our jail monitoring, litigation, policy advocacy, and community engagement/education work. In addition to the Jails Project, our Criminal Justice Project and LGBTQ, Gender &amp; Reproductive Justice Project are working to improve conditions of confinement and reduce incarceration. Full internship program details and postings for each project are available here: <a href="https://www.aclusocal.org/en/jobs/legaladvocacy-internships-externships-volunteer-opportunities">https://www.aclusocal.org/en/jobs/legaladvocacy-internships-externships-volunteer-opportunities</a></p>		<p><a href="https://www.aclusocal.org/issues/prisoners-rights/jails-project/">https://www.aclusocal.org/issues/prisoners-rights/jails-project/</a></p>
<p>ACLU of Southern California – LGBT Rights Project (Los Angeles, CA)</p>	<p>We continually have opportunities for summer and term-time legal interns to support our jail monitoring, litigation, policy advocacy, and community engagement/education work. In addition to the Jails Project, our Criminal Justice Project and LGBTQ, Gender &amp; Reproductive Justice Project are working to improve conditions of confinement and reduce incarceration. Full internship program details and postings for each project are available here: <a href="https://www.aclusocal.org/en/jobs/legaladvocacy-internships-externships-volunteer-opportunities">https://www.aclusocal.org/en/jobs/legaladvocacy-internships-externships-volunteer-opportunities</a></p>		<p><a href="https://www.aclusocal.org/en/lgbt-gender-reproductive-justice-project-legal-internships-spring-and-summer-deadlines">https://www.aclusocal.org/en/lgbt-gender-reproductive-justice-project-legal-internships-spring-and-summer-deadlines</a></p>
<p>ACLU of Utah (Salt Lake City, UT)</p>			<p><a href="http://www.acluutah.org/">http://www.acluutah.org/</a></p>

<p>The Arc's National Center on Criminal Justice and Disability (NCCJD) (Washington, DC)</p>	<p>NCCJD is the first national effort of its kind to bring together both victim and suspect/offender issues involving people with intellectual and developmental disabilities (or I/DD) under one roof, serving as a national clearinghouse for information and training on these issues. We pursue criminal justice reform from a systems-wide perspective, from first contact with law enforcement, through trial, incarceration, and reentry into the community. Among the issues we prioritize is that of policing and law enforcement relations with persons with disabilities. In partnership with The Arc's legal advocacy team, NCCJD is looking to expand its advocacy in the area of prisoners' rights through impact litigation. NCCJD hires part-time interns throughout the year.</p>	<p>All interested applicants should send a resume, cover letter, three references, a legal writing sample, and unofficial transcript to Ariel Simms at <a href="mailto:simms@thearc.org">simms@thearc.org</a>.</p>	<p><a href="http://www.thearc.org/NCCJD">http://www.thearc.org/NCCJD</a></p>
<p>Bazelon Center for Mental Health Law (Washington, DC)</p>			<p><a href="http://www.bazelon.org/">http://www.bazelon.org/</a></p>
<p>Benjamin N. Cardozo School of Law – Civil Rights Clinic (New York, NY)</p>	<p>We are a live client litigation clinic that focuses on the intersection between civil rights and criminal justice, which means that we primarily take on prisoners' rights and some police misconduct cases. Our current docket includes Eighth Amendment cases on behalf of a transgender prisoner and a prisoner denied medical treatment, a due process/prison guard brutality case on behalf of a pretrial detainee, and a police misconduct case under the Americans with Disabilities Act as well, as the 4th and 14th Amendments, involving the horrific treatment of a paraplegic arrestee. Work would be dependent on what's happening in our litigation, but would all be litigation-related tasks.</p>	<p>Interested students should contact Betsy Ginsberg, the Director of the Clinic, at <a href="mailto:betsy.ginsberg@yu.edu">betsy.ginsberg@yu.edu</a></p>	<p><a href="http://www.cardozo.yu.edu/civilrightsclinic">http://www.cardozo.yu.edu/civilrightsclinic</a></p>
<p>The Bronx Defenders (Bronx, NY)</p>	<p>Bronx Defenders does prisoners' rights work through their Civil Action Practice. Indicate your interest in your materials.</p>	<p>If you would like to talk to a UCLA Law student who has worked here, please contact Gina Papera-Ewing.</p>	<p><a href="http://www.bronxdefenders.org/">http://www.bronxdefenders.org/</a></p>

<p>California Appellate Project – Unrepresented Condemned Inmate Project (San Francisco, CA)</p>	<p>CAP is a resource center providing training and assistance to appointed counsel who represent capitally convicted prisoners on California's death row. CAP also works directly with unrepresented condemned prisoners. We ask our summer student interns to perform a variety of tasks related to prison law, including intensive research into institutional failure issues (e.g., solitary confinement, gangs, sexual minorities in prison, age-related issues, over-crowding, institutionalized violence, isolation from family) that will be used in legal pleadings filed on behalf our clients, legal and factual research regarding prison conditions which is then published as a resource on the CAP website for the use of legal teams litigating death penalty cases, and occasionally advocating on behalf of a client (filing a grievance, writing letters to the prison, ombudsman, etc.). The passage of Proposition 66 means there is a tremendous amount of work at CAP and many opportunities for students to make a meaningful contribution. The internship includes a week of training, with additional training opportunities throughout the summer. We ask students to commit for 10 weeks of fulltime work, although CAP has some flexibility on this front. The unrepresented project works with 5 or 6 students each summer and CAP as a whole works with anywhere from 12-16 students.</p>	<p>To apply, submit a cover letter, resume, and writing sample to Joyce Alexander, Human Resources Manager, at <a href="mailto:internships@capsf.org">internships@capsf.org</a>.</p>	<p><a href="http://www.capsf.org">www.capsf.org</a></p>
<p>California Prison Focus (Oakland, CA)</p>			<p><a href="http://newest.prison.org/">http://newest.prison.org/</a></p>
<p>Center for Constitutional Rights (New York, NY)</p>	<p>The UCIP works with 5 or 6 students each summer.</p>	<p>Contact Professor Sunita Patel, who spent some time here before coming to UCLA.</p>	<p><a href="http://ccrjustice.org/">http://ccrjustice.org/</a></p>

<p>Citizens United for Rehabilitation of Errants (CURE) (Washington, D.C.)</p>	<p>Citizens United for Rehabilitation Errands is a grass-roots organization in D.C. working to reduce reliance on incarceration and to make prison conditions more humane. CURE covers a broad range of issues and has traditionally focused law student interns on legal research in support of national or state-based projects. When students are interested in larger policy questions, they may be able to do policy advocacy on the Hill, both independently and in conjunction with senior staff. Next summer, the organization expects to be working on arguments to be brought before the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights at the Organization of American States, which may appeal to students interested in international human rights. CURE also holds consultative status with the United Nations and will take them to federal criminal justice policy meetings with the Justice Roundtable, a coalition that meets in Washington, D.C. at Open Society Foundations' Washington, D.C. office.</p>		<p><a href="http://www.curenational.org">www.curenational.org</a></p>
<p>Civil Rights Education and Enforcement Center (Denver, CO &amp; Berkeley, CA)</p>			<p><a href="https://creeclaw.org/">https://creeclaw.org/</a></p>
<p>Columbia Legal Services – Institutionalized Person’s Project (Seattle, WA)</p>	<p>Columbia Legal Services is a non-profit unrestricted civil legal aid provider that represents low income people in Washington State. CLS primarily engages in systemic advocacy. It has five offices throughout Washington and five project groups: Basic Human Needs, the Children and Youth Project, the Economic Justice Project, the Working Families Project, and the Institutions Project. The Institutions Project represents people confined in Washington’s jails, prisons, juvenile detention facilities, mental health facilities, and facilities for individuals with developmental disabilities. Our representation focuses on institutional conditions of confinement, discrimination, sentencing and placement, alternatives to institutionalization, and access to courts, as well as issues related to rehabilitation, reentry, and reductions in recidivism.</p>	<p>Professor Colgan spent several years here. Interested students should reach out to her.</p>	<p><a href="http://www.columbialegal.org">www.columbialegal.org</a></p>
<p>Disability Rights California (Multiple Locations, CA)</p>			<p><a href="http://www.disabilityrightsca.org/">http://www.disabilityrightsca.org/</a></p>
<p>Disability Rights Legal Center (Los Angeles, CA)</p>			<p><a href="https://disabilityrightslawcenter.org/">https://disabilityrightslawcenter.org/</a></p>

<p>Disability Rights New York (Multiple Locations, NY)</p>	<p>Disability Rights New York invites applications from law students who have a commitment to and interest in disability rights advocacy, prisoners' rights advocacy, civil rights, and social justice. DRNY is the Protection &amp; Advocacy System and Client Assistance Program (P&amp;A/CAP) for persons with disabilities in New York. As the P&amp;A, DRNY advocates for the civil and legal rights for New Yorkers with disabilities, including individuals who are incarcerated in New York City jails, county jails, and state prisons. Legal interns will be expected to provide advocacy services for individuals; assist DRNY staff attorneys with legal research; support DRNY staff attorneys with monitoring at facilities; and assist investigations of allegations of abuse or neglect. Interns are expected to have excellent research and communication/writing skills and an interest in serving underserved populations. The internship is unpaid. DRNY has offices in Brooklyn, Albany, and Rochester. DRNY is accepting applications for Spring semester and Summer internships.</p>	<p>Interested applicants should submit a cover letter discussing their interest, a resume, and a writing sample (10 pages), and include "2018 Legal Internship" in the email subject line. For more information and to submit an application, contact jobs@DRNY.org.</p>	<p><a href="http://www.drny.org">http://www.drny.org</a></p>
<p>Disability Rights Oregon (Portland, OR)</p>			<p><a href="https://droregon.org/">https://droregon.org/</a></p>
<p>Disability Rights Washington (Seattle, WA)</p>	<p>Disability Rights Washington's Amplifying Voices of Inmates with Disabilities (AVID) Program seeks 3-4 law students to intern over the summer and continue through the school year. Because of Disability Rights Washington's access authority, interns are able to monitor conditions of the most restricted areas of prisons and jails in Washington. Interns help inmates build-self advocacy skills by responding to letters and phone calls from jails and prisons. Depending on need, interns may also review inmate medical records, perform legal research, and help with litigation.</p>	<p>Interns are generally hired in early February of each year. Send a cover letter, resume, three references, and a writing sample to Heather McKimmie (heatherm@dr-wa.org) by January 15.</p>	<p><a href="http://www.disabilityrightswa.org/">http://www.disabilityrightswa.org/</a></p>
<p>Equal Justice Initiative (Montgomery, AL)</p>	<p>Founded and directed by Bryan Stevenson (author of Just Mercy). Does a mix of representing defendants in capital cases and prison litigation across the south, with a focus on Alabama.</p>		<p><a href="http://www.eji.org/">http://www.eji.org/</a></p>

<p>Florida Justice Institute (Miami, FL)</p>	<p>FJI is a nonprofit, public interest litigation firm, seeking law student interns. FJI conducts civil rights litigation primarily on behalf of those incarcerated in Florida's prisons and jails. Cases include wrongful death, deliberate indifference to serious medical need, unconstitutional conditions of confinement, excessive force, failure to protect, First Amendment, disability discrimination, and others. FJI also conducts litigation for non-incarcerated victims of housing discrimination, disability discrimination, police misconduct, and engages in various other forms of impact litigation for the poor and disenfranchised. FJI works collaboratively with other public interest organizations and private, pro bono lawyers around the country. Since the bulk of FJI's work is in federal court, there is a considerable amount of written legal pleading and practice work. Law students will be exposed to all phases of federal civil litigation practice, including legal research, drafting legal memos, drafting discovery requests and other legal pleadings, client interviews, visiting clients and witnesses in prison, reviewing and organizing discovery, drafting letters and public records requests, reviewing and responding to letters from incarcerated people and their families seeking assistance, and attending hearings, trials, depositions, mediations, settlement negotiations, and oral arguments as they may occur throughout the internship. Students will receive direct supervision, assignments, direction and feedback from FJI's three attorneys. The attorney supervisors take great care to see that each student receives challenging assignments, constant supervision, and regular feedback. FJI handles cases statewide, so there may be some travel involved. If so, travel expenses are reimbursed. Applicants should have excellent research and writing skills, a desire to work in a collaborative environment, and a demonstrated interest in social justice. FJI is housed in downtown Miami in Class A office space donated by Carlton Fields, a nationwide law firm.</p>	<p>Interested students should submit a cover letter, resume, and writing sample to Jessica M. Pla at <a href="mailto:pla@floridajusticeinstitute.org">pla@floridajusticeinstitute.org</a></p>	<p><a href="http://www.floridajusticeinstitute.org/">http://www.floridajusticeinstitute.org/</a></p>
<p>Florida Legal Services, Inc. – Florida Institutional Legal Services Project (Newberry, FL)</p>	<p>The office handles prisoner rights cases and similar litigation for other institutionalized populations like juvenile detainees, people in civil commitment centers, immigrant detainees, and others. They have some individual 1983 cases, but most of their litigation is class actions or cases challenging systemic policies. The office is located about seven miles west of Gainesville and the University of Florida, but has litigation in state and federal courts across Florida and serves clients in institutions across the state.</p>		<p><a href="http://www.floridalegal.org/newberry.htm">www.floridalegal.org/newberry.htm</a></p>
<p>Helping Educate to Advance the Rights of the Deaf (HEARD) (Washington, DC)</p>			<p><a href="http://www.beheard.org/">http://www.beheard.org/</a></p>

<p>Human Rights Defense Center (Lake Worth, Florida)</p>	<p>HRDC's legal team, including our attorneys and paralegals, litigate cases nationally against prison and jail officials, including First Amendment censorship violations, public records cases, wrongful deaths and other civil rights matters. Cooperating with some of the largest law firms in the country as well as skilled sole practitioners, HRDC remains at the forefront of litigation involving prisoners' rights. Additionally, all of HRDC's cases have a public education and media component that furthers our advocacy efforts with respect to criminal justice reform.</p>	<p>Contact Sabarish Neelakanta, Litigation Director: sneelakanta@hrdc-law.org.</p>	<p><a href="https://www.humanrightsdefensecenter.org/">https://www.humanrightsdefensecenter.org/</a></p>
<p>Just Detention International (Los Angeles, CA &amp; Washington, DC)</p>	<p>Advocacy organization dedicated to ending sexual violence in prisons and jails. Main office is in LA. Also does work internationally, in South Africa and elsewhere.</p>		<p><a href="http://www.justdetention.org/">http://www.justdetention.org/</a></p>
<p>Lambda Legal (Multiple Locations)</p>	<p>Primarily, summer interns assist attorneys with investigation, research and drafting in ongoing cases, prospective cases, and amicus curiae briefs, in all areas of sexual orientation, gender identity, and HIV discrimination. Interns may also research, draft, and/or edit publications on these issues for public education, and will assist in maintenance and expansion of resources for our national legal Help Desk. Because of the focused and challenging nature of the work Lambda Legal does, we prefer to hire law students who have some experience with issues relating to our mission. Thus, a background in or familiarity with issues important to lesbians, gay men, bisexuals, transgender people, and those with HIV will greatly strengthen an application. Commitment to public interest law also greatly strengthens an application. Considering the amount of independent work required, second- and third-year students are preferred. Lambda Legal encourages applications from people of color and people with disabilities, including HIV. Please indicate in your cover letter your particular interest in prisoners' rights/criminal justice issues. Students interested in summer internships should apply beginning in the fall. Applicants should send materials to the particular offices where an internship is desired. Applicants should also be sure to include in their cover letter whether they are applying to more than one of Lambda Legal's offices. No phone calls, please.</p>	<p>Send cover letter, resume, and short writing sample to legalintern@lambdalegal.org.</p>	<p><a href="http://www.lambdalegal.org/">http://www.lambdalegal.org/</a></p>

<p>The Legal Aid Society – Prisoners’ Rights Project (New York, NY)</p>	<p>The Prisoners’ Rights Project has for over forty years served as a leading advocate of humane and constitutional conditions in the New York City jails and State prisons. The Project conducts federal civil rights litigation on behalf of persons confined in the New York City jails and State prisons. Recent litigation activity has addressed correction officer brutality in the City’s Rikers Island jails; sexual abuse of women in State facilities; disability rights in prison; and the denial of education services to City and State prisoners. In addition to this work, Project staff engage in other advocacy work on behalf of incarcerated clients, including administrative intervention and legislative testimony. Our interns assist attorneys in collecting and organizing factual material gathered in connection with litigation or with pre-complaint investigations and in monitoring compliance with existing court orders. They also maintain a “case load” of matters in which they assist individual clients in the City jails and State prisons with specific institutional problems, e.g. medical care, guard brutality, and safety issues. Over the past several years, as conditions in New York’s jails and prisons have become more restrictive and punitive, requests for Project assistance have increased markedly. Without legal intern assistance, the Project would not be able to respond to all requests for assistance, or to advocate as fully or vigorously on our clients’ behalf. Close attorney supervision is provided.</p>		<p><a href="http://www.legal-aid.org/en/las/diversityandcareers.aspx">http://www.legal-aid.org/en/las/diversityandcareers.aspx</a></p>
<p>Legal Services for Prisoners with Children (San Francisco, CA)</p>	<p>LSPC seeks interns to assist with its community organizing, law and policy, and administrative support work. Interns may be assigned to one or more substantive, long term projects, depending on current organizational needs and the applicant’s skills, experience, and interests. Interns also help respond to prisoner requests for legal and other informational materials, through which our interns are able to gain experience researching case law, communicating with clients, and conducting real-life problem solving, as well as gain familiarity with California criminal, family, and civil rights law. During summer sessions, our interns are expected to work a minimum of 35 hours per week. Our internships are unpaid, but we may be able to provide limited stipends to directly-impacted interns on a case-by-case basis. All internships take place at our San Francisco office.</p>	<p>If you are interested in applying, please email a resume, cover letter, and a short (5 pages or fewer) writing sample to Brittany Stonesifer at <a href="mailto:brittany@prisonerswithchildren.org">brittany@prisonerswithchildren.org</a>.</p>	<p><a href="http://www.prisonerswithchildren.org/">http://www.prisonerswithchildren.org/</a></p>
<p>Los Angeles County Office of Inspector General (Los Angeles, CA)</p>	<p>During the summer, our seven legal interns assist with all aspects of our work, and will have considerable client contact, under substantial supervision from attorney staff.</p>		<p><a href="http://www.oig.lacit.org/">http://www.oig.lacit.org/</a></p>

<p>National Center for Lesbian Rights (San Francisco, CA &amp; Washington, DC)</p>	<p>NCLR is seeking a law clerk to assist with all aspects of its work for LGBT people in prison, including impact litigation, public policy, and educational work. The clerk will conduct case research, review social science and other research, update publications, and draft memos on a wide range of issues affecting LGBT people in prison. Some of the clerk's time will be devoted to interacting with LGBT people in prison who contact NCLR and handling their questions from start to finish under the supervision and training of NCLR staff attorneys. This position is in NCLR's National Office in San Francisco, CA. Summer clerks work full time, and semester clerks may work full or part-time (minimum 12 hours per week). This is an unpaid position. NCLR encourages clerks to obtain outside funding or academic credit through their law school. Current law students who have financial need, and who are committed to practicing social justice and progressive civil rights law may apply for the C. Edwin Baker Clerkship at NCLR. Information about that is available here: <a href="http://www.nclrights.org/about-us/jobs-fellowships/fellowship/">http://www.nclrights.org/about-us/jobs-fellowships/fellowship/</a></p>	<p>Please apply through online system here: <a href="https://nclr.bamboohr.com/jobs/view.php?id=3">https://nclr.bamboohr.com/jobs/view.php?id=3</a>. Indicate in cover letter that you are applying for the law clerk position with a focus on prisoners' rights.</p>	<p><a href="http://www.nclrights.org/">http://www.nclrights.org/</a></p>
<p>National Lawyers Guild Prisoner Advocacy Network (San Francisco, CA)</p>			<p><a href="http://www.nlgsf.org/prisoner-advocacy-network">http://www.nlgsf.org/prisoner-advocacy-network</a></p>

<p>Nevada Cure (Las Vegas, NV)</p>	<p>Seeking students to answer prisoner mail encompassing a large number of issues; to log and post prisoner complaints on the website; and to help write grants and newsletters. Please note that, although the director of the office was a longtime jailhouse lawyer with extensive legal experience since his release, you will not have an attorney supervisor, and consequently this position's eligibility for the Public Service Fellowship Program is as yet unclear. According to the director of Nevada CURE: Answering prisoner letters and logging complaints would give students knowledge of what goes on inside the prison system and the problems that need to be addressed. The vast majority of letters we receive are related to legal matters, i.e., lack of medical treatment for Hep C, HIV, diabetics, ADA claims, beatings, destruction of property, failure to protect, etc. Those are the complaints we log. We are not lawyers, but we advise on appropriate steps to take in the grievance and judicial process and make referrals to various attorneys. We have approximately a dozen people that have survived summary judgment and need an attorney to represent them at trial. We meet with the Prison Director quarterly to discuss issues and we meet with and testify before the NV Legislature on legislation as needed. Additionally, we publish a Newsletter quarterly (and hope to do bi-monthly or monthly). We publish information on various cases related to the prison and parole system. We could use assistance with legal research and with finding information related to prisoner issues which could be used by prisoners to help themselves and others.</p>		<p><a href="http://www.nevadacure.org">www.nevadacure.org</a></p>
<p>New York City Board of Correction (New York, NY)</p>	<p>The New York City Board of Correction (BOC) is a nine-person oversight board that regulates, monitors, and inspects the correctional facilities of the City. The Board, through its members and staff, carries out independent oversight and enacts regulations to support safer, fairer, smaller, and more humane NYC jails. In addition to our monitoring, research, and executive teams, we have a small legal department that advises the Board and the Executive Director on legal issues and engages in rulemaking to ensure humane conditions in the jails. We welcome applications from 1Ls or 2Ls interested in jail/prison reform to assist the legal team with a variety of legal tasks, including research and writing.</p>		<p><a href="http://www1.nyc.gov/site/boc/index.page">http://www1.nyc.gov/site/boc/index.page</a></p>
<p>New York Civil Liberties Union (New York, NY)</p>	<p>Lead counsel on Peoples v. Fischer, the class action challenging the excessive use of solitary confinement in NY state prisons. Also does a lot of work on stop and frisk.</p>		<p><a href="http://www.nyclu.org">http://www.nyclu.org</a></p>

<p>North Carolina Prisoner Legal Services (Raleigh, NC)</p>	<p>Our organization is primarily focused on criminal post-conviction work. We review the convictions of any state inmate who requests a review. We litigate any legal issue which has a reasonable chance of lowering an inmate's sentence or overturning their conviction. In addition to our criminal work, we handle civil issues related to conditions of confinement within NC prisons and county jail facilities, including failure to protect cases, excessive force by guards, sexual assault by guards, and unsafe or inhumane conditions. Interns will work with attorneys on a broad range of assignments and topics. Interns will work on research projects, review trial transcripts and discovery, draft pleadings, conduct client interviews and investigations, perform independent case reviews, and attend meetings and hearings as they arise. Our interns are intimately involved in the day-to-day work of NCPLS. This is a boots-on-the-ground summer experience reviewing and litigating cases alongside staff attorneys. Employ 3-6 summer interns starting in mid-May and ending in early August. We make offers on a rolling basis from now until late spring.</p>	<p>Qualifications include strong research and writing skills and a desire to work on behalf of indigent inmates. Interested students should send a cover letter and resume to Ben Finholt (bfinholt@ncpls.org) or Reid Cater (rcater@ncpls.org).</p>	<p><a href="https://www.ncpls.org/">https://www.ncpls.org/</a></p>
<p>Pennsylvania Institutional Law Project (Multiple Locations, PA)</p>	<p>Provides free civil legal assistance to incarcerated or institutionalized individuals whose constitutional rights have been violated. Interns will research and respond to letters with information relating to situation-specific issues such as assault, conditions of confinement, lack of medical care, and due process rights, among others, and will have the opportunity to assist in active cases with direct client contact.</p>	<p>Please send a cover letter and resume if interested. Philadelphia office: Angus Love, Esq. Executive Director (alove@pailp.org); Pittsburgh office: Alexandra Morgan-Kurtz, Esq. (amorgan-kurtz@pailp.org)</p>	<p><a href="http://www.pailp.org/">http://www.pailp.org/</a></p>
<p>Post Conviction Assistance Center (Los Angeles, CA)</p>	<p>The Post Conviction Assistance Center provides representation to indigent criminal defendants in post conviction proceedings in the Los Angeles Superior Court. The types of cases handled are petitions for writ of habeas corpus, post-conviction DNA testing investigations and motions pursuant to Cal. Penal Code section 1405, post conviction discovery proceedings pursuant to Cal. Penal Code section 1054.9, petitions for recall of sentence pursuant to Cal. Penal Code sections 1170.126 (Proposition 36, Three Strikes Reform Act) and 1170.18 (Proposition 47, Safe Neighborhoods and School Act), resentencing proceedings for juvenile offenders sentenced to life without the possibility of parole, and other juvenile and adult resentencing proceedings.</p>		<p><a href="http://www.pcaclaw.org/about.html">http://www.pcaclaw.org/about.html</a></p>

<p>Prison Justice League (Austin, TX)</p>			<p><a href="http://prisonjusticeleague.org/">http://prisonjusticeleague.org/</a></p>
<p>Prison Law Office (Berkeley, CA)</p>	<p>Leading non-profit representing California prisoners. Lead counsel on Brown v. Plata along with innumerable other cases in California. Recently branched out to Arizona prisons. Looking for 2Ls with excellent research and writing skills. Hiring right now. PLO has had UCLA students come do semester-long externships for credit in the past and are always interested in hosting them during the semester. Summer interns are paid.</p>	<p>If you are interested, apply ASAP. Send a cover letter, resume, and writing sample to office@prisonlaw.com. If you would like to talk to a UCLA Law student who has worked here, please contact Bernadette Rabuy.</p>	<p><a href="http://www.prisonlaw.com/">http://www.prisonlaw.com/</a></p>
<p>Prisoner Reentry Network (Oakland, CA)</p>	<p>Small non-profit dedicated to supporting successful transitions from incarceration to the community. PRN provides information to individuals anticipating release, petitions the department of corrections, and builds community. Looking for independent students to develop and execute a project - legal or extralegal.</p>	<p>If you would like to talk to a UCLA Law student who has worked at Prisoner Reentry Network, please contact Sahar Khorramnezhad.</p>	<p><a href="http://www.prisonerreentrynetwork.org/">http://www.prisonerreentrynetwork.org/</a></p>
<p>Prisoners' Legal Services of Massachusetts (Boston, MA)</p>	<p>Works on behalf of prisoners in state prison, county jail, and houses of correction (MA HOCs are for people serving short sentences). Focuses on medical and mental health care, correctional officer violence against prisoners, conditions of confinement and segregation/isolation.</p>	<p>Interested students should e-mail Elizabeth Matos, Staff Attorney, at lmatos@plsma.org with a short letter of interest and resume. You may also call Ms. Matos to express interest at (617) 482-2773 x105</p>	<p><a href="http://www.plsma.org/">http://www.plsma.org/</a></p>

<p>Prisoners' Legal Services of New York (Multiple Offices, NY)</p>	<p>PLS is a non-profit organization that provides civil legal services to indigent prisoners in New York State prisons, in cases where appointed counsel is not available. PLS advocates for prisoners on issues surrounding their conditions of confinement and helps prepare prisoners for release and successful reintegration into their communities. Specifically, PLS represents prisoners on cases involving: excessive use of force; prison discipline; inadequate medical and mental health care; sentence and jail time calculations; first amendment rights; child support, custody, and visitation; and parole and reentry issues. PLS has regional offices in Albany, Buffalo, Ithaca and Plattsburgh. Additionally, PLS now has a very robust immigration unit.</p>	<p>Interested students can also e-mail Patti Kane, Administrative Assistant, at <a href="mailto:pkane@plsny.org">pkane@plsny.org</a> and include a cover letter, resume and three references. You may also call Ms. Kane at 518-445-6050</p>	<p><a href="http://plsny.org/">http://plsny.org/</a></p>
<p>Promise of Justice Initiative (New Orleans, LA)</p>	<p>Litigates prison conditions cases against Angola Prison, Louisiana's mammoth maximum security prison. Currently in the enforcement phase of a successful lawsuit challenging excessive heat on Angola's Death Row, among other cases.</p>	<p>Interested students should contact Mercedes Montagnes at <a href="mailto:mmontagnes@thejusticecenter.org">mmontagnes@thejusticecenter.org</a>. If you would like to talk to a UCLA Law student who has worked here, please contact Tara Brown.</p>	<p><a href="http://justicespromise.org/">http://justicespromise.org/</a></p>
<p>Public Defender Service for the District of Columbia (Washington, DC)</p>	<p>One of the country's premiere public defender offices. Also has an active civil rights practice, addressing issues faced by their clients.</p>		<p><a href="http://www.pdsdc.org/">http://www.pdsdc.org/</a></p>
<p>Roderick &amp; Solange MacArthur Justice Center (Chicago, IL)</p>	<p>Clinic housed at Northwestern Law School, working on impact litigation related to criminal justice, including prison litigation, death penalty, and police brutality.</p>		<p><a href="http://www.law.northwestern.edu/legalclinic/macarthur/">http://www.law.northwestern.edu/legalclinic/macarthur/</a></p>
<p>Roderick &amp; Solange MacArthur Justice Center (New Orleans, LA)</p>	<p>Litigating class action prison conditions case against Orleans Parish Prison.</p>	<p>If you would like to talk to a UCLA Law alum who has worked at this office, please let us know and we will put you in touch with her.</p>	<p><a href="http://neworleans.macarthurjusticecenter.org/index.html">http://neworleans.macarthurjusticecenter.org/index.html</a></p>
<p>Roderick &amp; Solange MacArthur Justice Center (Oxford, Mississippi)</p>	<p>Clinic housed at University of Mississippi, engaged in "litigation of cases addressing systemic weaknesses in the state's criminal justice and legal systems."</p>		<p><a href="http://umlaw.macarthurjusticecenter.org/index.html">http://umlaw.macarthurjusticecenter.org/index.html</a></p>

<p>Roderick &amp; Solange MacArthur Justice Center at St. Louis (St. Louis, MO)</p>			<p><a href="http://stl.macarthurjusticecenter.org/index.html">http://stl.macarthurjusticecenter.org/index.html</a></p>
<p>Southern Center for Human Rights (Atlanta, GA)</p>	<p>Steve Bright's shop. One of the leading criminal justice/civil rights offices in the country. Does a mix of representing defendants in capital cases and prison litigation across the South.</p>	<p>Contact Professor Sunita Patel, who spent some time here before coming to UCLA. You can also contact Ian Stringham, a current student who spent this past summer here.</p>	<p><a href="https://www.schr.org/about/internships">https://www.schr.org/about/internships</a></p>
<p>Southern Poverty Law Center (Jackson, New Orleans, Miami, Montgomery)</p>	<p>SPLC is looking for summer interns to do prisoners' rights work in four offices: Jackson Mississippi, New Orleans, Miami, and Montgomery Alabama.</p>	<p>We currently have a UCLA Law alum doing a fellowship at SPLC in Mississippi. If you would like to talk to him, please let us know and we will put you in touch.</p>	<p><a href="https://www.splcenter.org/">https://www.splcenter.org/</a></p>
<p>Sylvia Rivera Law Project (New York, NY)</p>	<p>The Sylvia Rivera Law Project works to ensure a world where everyone is free to self-determine their gender. We provide direct legal services, movement building, policy and litigation work. Our Prisoner Justice Project works with transgender, gender non-conforming, and intersex people on issues ranging from solitary confinement, medical and mental health treatment, name changes, and ID corrections. SRLP's Prisoner Justice Project also creates guides for our membership including "It's War in Here", "KYR in NYS Prison", "Tips for dealing with cops" and more.</p>	<p>Interested applicants should send a resume, cover letter, and writing sample to mik@srlp.org. The cover letter should state why the applicant wants to work at a transgender, gender non-conforming, and intersex specific organization. The writing sample should be no more than 5 pages and a section from a longer work is fine.</p>	<p><a href="https://srlp.org/about/legal-services/prisoner-justice-project/">https://srlp.org/about/legal-services/prisoner-justice-project/</a></p>

<p>Texas Civil Rights Project (Multiple Locations, TX)</p>	<p>The Texas Civil Rights Project - Criminal Justice Reform Program dedicates significant resources to litigating prison conditions. Current projects include representing inmates in litigation demanding air conditioning for prisoners, representing disabled inmates whose needs are not appropriately accommodated by Texas prisons as required under the Americans with Disabilities Act, and investigating the long term use of solitary confinement for mentally ill inmates. The Criminal Justice Reform Program largely operates out of our Houston, Texas office, but the fellow may possibly be able to work out of our offices in Dallas, Austin, El Paso, and South Texas (Alamo).</p>	<p>If interested, please send resume, cover, writing sample, and two references to CJR's paralegal, Chris Rivera, atchristopher@texascivilrightsproject.org and please copy Megan Garcia at megan@texascivilrightsproject.org</p>	<p><a href="https://www.texascivilrightsproject.org/en/">https://www.texascivilrightsproject.org/en/</a></p>
<p>UC Davis School of Law Prison Law Clinic</p>	<p>The UC Davis Prison Law Clinic does all manner of prison law work: consent decree litigation, class action conditions litigation, deportation defense, post-conviction relief for immigrants, advising public defenders on immigration consequences, bond hearings, circuit court appellate work, pro se prisoner assistance and workshops, and federal habeas litigation for immigration detainees. We are told they have a ton of work and you will get great hands-on experience with them.</p>	<p>Please contact Professor Holly Cooper at hskooper@ucdavis.edu</p>	<p><a href="https://law.ucdavis.edu/">https://law.ucdavis.edu/</a></p>
<p>UnCommon Law (Oakland, CA)</p>	<p>Keith Wattley is the leading lawyer representing California lifers in parole hearings. He teaches the seminar California Prison to Parole here at the UCLA School of Law and runs the clinic. He is located in Oakland and is looking for two law students for the upcoming summer to work with him on behalf of lifers seeking parole.</p>	<p>If you would like to talk to a UCLA Law alum who has worked with Keith Wattley on parole representation, please let us know and we will connect you.</p>	<p><a href="http://uncommonlaw.org/">http://uncommonlaw.org/</a></p>
<p>U.S. Department of Justice – Civil Rights Special Litigation Section (Washington, D.C.)</p>	<p>This is the office in DOJ that enforces the Civil Rights of Incarcerated Persons Act (with the unfortunately acronym of CRIPA). They investigate and sometimes sue prisons, jails, juvenile facilities and other carceral institutions around the country. They also investigate police departments where there is evidence of systemic civil rights violations. Among many other cases, they wrote the influential report on the use of fines and fees in Ferguson, MO, and documented the effect of this practice on the events following the shooting of Michael Brown.</p>		<p><a href="http://www.justice.gov/crt/about/spl/">http://www.justice.gov/crt/about/spl/</a></p>

Uptown People's Law Center (Chicago, IL)	Does a wide range of prisoners' rights work, including on behalf of prisoners in solitary confinement. Alan Mills' shop (one of the leading prisoners' rights litigators in the country). Student interns typically perform a range of tasks including: reviewing medical records, reviewing emails and other documents related to prison operations, visiting prisoners to interview them regarding issues in our class action litigation, researching and drafting motions, responding to discovery requests, and other similar tasks. They try to arrange for each intern to make at least one visit to a prison to interview prisoners each summer.	One or two positions available and interested students should e-mail <a href="mailto:uplcchicago@gmail.com">uplcchicago@gmail.com</a> . Prefers 2Ls, but will accept applications from 1Ls.	<a href="http://www.uplcchicago.org">www.uplcchicago.org</a>
Vermont Office of the Defender General – Prisoners' Rights Office (Montpelier, VT)			<a href="http://defgen.vermont.gov/staff/central/prisoners-rights">http://defgen.vermont.gov/staff/central/prisoners-rights</a>
Washington Lawyer's Committee for Civil Rights and Urban Affairs – D.C. Prisoner's Project (Washington, D.C.)	The Washington Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights and Urban Affairs provides legal assistance to individuals and communities in the Washington, DC region who experience violations of their civil rights. Student interns obtain hands-on experience investigating and litigating civil rights matters and receive extensive training in civil rights law and regular supervision and feedback. Each intern will work primarily in one of five issue areas, including prisoners' rights and criminal justice reform. (The other three are workplace justice, housing justice, and disability rights.) 2Ls and 3Ls are preferred, but 1Ls with outstanding qualifications will be considered. The internship is 10 weeks from May 29 – August 3, 2018. Internship selection will be conducted on a rolling basis.	Please send an email with a cover letter indicating which area(s) you would like to focus on, your resume, an unofficial transcript, and a 4-7 page writing sample to <a href="mailto:internships@washlaw.org">internships@washlaw.org</a> , subject "Summer 2018 Internship Application of (Your Name)."	<a href="http://www.washlaw.org/about-us/employment/internships">http://www.washlaw.org/about-us/employment/internships</a>
Law Firms	Description	Contact	Website
Hadsell Stormer & Renick, LLP (Pasadena, CA)	A firm on the public/private model, they generally have a rich § 1983 practice, with an emphasis on prison conditions and police brutality.		<a href="http://www.hadsellstormer.com/">http://www.hadsellstormer.com/</a>
Loevy & Loevy (Chicago, IL & Boulder, CO)	Leading civil rights firm with a robust prisoners' rights practice.		<a href="http://www.loevy.com/">http://www.loevy.com/</a>

<p>Rosen, Bien, Galvan and Grunfeld (San Francisco, CA)</p>	<p>Rosen Bien Galvan &amp; Grunfeld LLP, a San Francisco law firm specializing in complex trial and appellate litigation in both federal and state courts, seeks a summer associate for the summer of 2018 for a full-time, paid position lasting approximately ten weeks. Our diverse practice includes: complex commercial litigation; white collar criminal defense and government enforcement; constitutional and civil rights cases both for damages on behalf of individual clients and to remedy large scale systemic rights violations; class actions in civil rights, employment, antitrust and consumer protection; and workplace disputes in cases of discrimination, harassment, wrongful termination, retirement benefits, non-competition agreements and wage and hour enforcement. Excellent research and writing skills are essential. RBGG values diversity, and strongly encourages applications from attorneys from traditionally underrepresented groups, including people of color, persons with disabilities, people from socioeconomically disadvantaged backgrounds, and lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender individuals. Applications deadline is October 20, 2018, but may be extended. No phone calls please; our website will be updated when the position is filled. (Note: They are a law firm on the public/private model, and a large portion of their docket is in civil rights, especially prisoners' rights. Among many other cases, RBGG is lead counsel on the Coleman litigation, which concerns the treatment of mentally ill prisoners in the California system. Be sure to mention that you are affiliated with the UCLA Prison Law and Policy Program. Several lawyers there are well acquainted with us, and we have alums at the firm.)</p>	<p>Please apply via e-mail to Mark Love, mlove@rbgg.com, and include all of the following: a cover letter, resume, two writing samples, two or more references (including email and telephone number), and law school transcript.</p>	<p><a href="https://rbgg.com/practice-areas/civil-rights-civil-liberties/">https://rbgg.com/practice-areas/civil-rights-civil-liberties/</a></p>
<p>Prisoners' Justice League of Colorado (Denver)</p>	<p>This is a law firm focusing on prisoners' rights work. There is no formal application process.</p>	<p>If interested in more information, please contact Lisi Owen</p>	<p><a href="mailto:lisi@pjcolorado.com">lisi@pjcolorado.com</a></p>
<p>Stoll, Glickman &amp; Bellina, LLP (Brooklyn, NY)</p>			<p><a href="http://www.stollglickman.com/">http://www.stollglickman.com/</a></p>
<p><b>Solo Practitioners</b></p>	<p><b>Description</b></p>	<p><b>Contact</b></p>	<p><b>Website</b></p>
<p>John Adcock (New Orleans, LA)</p>			

Gregory Belzley (Prospect, KY)			
Howard Friedman (Boston, MA)			<a href="http://www.civil-rights-law.com/">http://www.civil-rights-law.com/</a>
Caitlin Henry (Oakland, CA)			<a href="https://caitlinkellyhenry.com/">https://caitlinkellyhenry.com/</a>
Johnson, Brennan & Klein, PLLC (Boulder, CO)			<a href="http://www.jbk-law.com/">http://www.jbk-law.com/</a>
Deborah Labelle (Ann Arbor, MI)			
Lori Rifkin (San Francisco, CA)	Rifkin's practice is almost exclusively prisoners' rights cases. She recently joined Hadsell Stormer & Rennick, LLP, and works out of San Francisco. For opportunities to intern with Ms. Rifkin, contact HSR directly.		
Marianne Sawicki (Huntingdon, PA)	Solo practice litigates for prisoner clients under RLUIPA, ADA, and U.S. Constitution through Section 1983, mostly in U.S. District Court for the Middle District of Pennsylvania. Emphasis on personal contact, visiting inside the five nearby state correctional institutions, assisting clients to navigate DOC regulations and to exhaust administrative remedies. Appellate practice at Third Circuit. Work may include support for discovery, depositions, and hearings. If you like research, you'll love helping me construct briefs in opposition to maneuvers of government attorneys. Location is Huntingdon, PA. Amtrak stops here, though not often.	Marianne Sawicki, Esq., 8145062636. Not on social media. See PACER for cases in M.D. Pa.	<a href="mailto:MarianneSawicki@verizon.net">MarianneSawicki@verizon.net</a>
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