



San Francisco La Raza Lawyers Association

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To: Bay Area Law Schools
Office of Career Services

From: Franchesca C. Herrera, Chair of the SFLRLA Scholarship Committee

Re: Public Interest Law Fellowship Competition for Summer 2009

Please provide copies of the enclosed application and the following guidelines to interested students.

Applications must be postmarked by April 1, 2009.

The SFLRLA Public Interest Law Fellowship is designed to provide financial assistance to law students working with Bay Area community-based legal service providers to enhance the delivery of legal services to the Latino community. Fellowships will be awarded in areas where there is a substantial Latino population in need of legal services. The Association will give priority to fellowship applicants who meet at least one of the following objectives:

- a. Projects to develop or expand legal services in the areas of housing, employment, discrimination, immigration and naturalization.
- b. Projects that develop materials and training to educate the Latino community about its legal rights and to facilitate its access to the justice system and the courts.
- c. Projects that provide training, referral, recruitment and mentoring to law students.
- d. Creative projects not included within these guidelines will be considered.

AWARD

The San Francisco La Raza Lawyers Association will award between three and five fellowships to law students to fund summer employment in 2009. The amount of each fellowship will vary depending on the individual's financial need, up to \$7,500.

The San Francisco La Raza Lawyers Association will also award one bar review course to a current law student who has committed to working for a Bay Area organization serving the Latino community after the completion of the bar exam.

APPLICATION PROCESS

Law students should submit the enclosed application form, a current resume, and any letters of recommendation postmarked **no later than April 1, 2009**.

Fellowship winners will be presented at SFLRLA's Annual Noche de Gala in San Francisco in April 2009.

QUESTIONS

Please contact Franchesca Herrera at franchesca@gmail.com or (415) 902-0968.



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SAN FRANCISCO LA RAZA LAWYERS ASSOCIATION 2009 PUBLIC INTEREST LAW FELLOWSHIP COMPETITION APPLICATION FORM

1. Name _____
Address _____
Telephone () _____
Law School _____
2. Community-based legal services provider where you plan to work:

Address _____
Telephone () _____ FAX () _____
3. Brief project description of legal services to be provided, population to be served and project objective. Please attach the project description. The description should not be longer than three double-spaced pages.
4. Program Director/Supervisor _____ Telephone () _____ FAX () _____
5. Provide a narrative describing your qualifications, a statement of your financial need and the anticipated length of your summer employment.
6. Include a letter of recommendation from the Program Director or the Supervising Attorney of your anticipated summer employer. You may also include one or more additional letters of recommendation in support for your application (optional).

SCHEDULE: APPLICATIONS MUST BE POST MARKED BY **APRIL 1, 2009**.
PERSONAL INTERVIEWS WILL BE CONDUCTED **APRIL 1 - 10, 2009**.
COMPETITION WINNERS WILL BE ANNOUNCED BY **APRIL 14, 2009**.
COMPETITION WINNERS WILL BE RECOGNIZED AT THE SAN FRANCISCO LA RAZA LAWYERS ASSOCIATION ANNUAL NOCHE DE GALA ON APRIL 16, 2009.

Submit by April 1, 2009 to:
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