To: Bay Area Law Schools and Students

Office of Career Services

Community Organizations

From: Ray Manzo, Bay Area Latino Lawyers Fund Scholarship Committee

Re: The San Francisco La Raza Lawyers Association (SFLRLA) Public Interest Law Fellowship Application for Summer 2018

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

The SFLRLA Public Interest Law Fellowship is designed to provide financial assistance to law students with significant financial need who are 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. Priority will be given to fellowship applicants whose projects meet at least one of the following objectives:

1. Projects to develop or expand legal services in the areas of housing, education, employment, discrimination, immigration and naturalization.
2. 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.
3. Projects that provide training, referral, recruitment and mentoring to law students.

Other creative projects consistent with although not specifically identified within these guidelines will be considered.

**AWARD**

Multiple fellowships of no more than $5,000 each will be awarded to fund 2018 summer employment. Fellowship amounts will vary depending on the grant funding available and the applicant’s financial need.

**APPLICATION PROCESS AND SCHEDULE**

Law students should submit the enclosed application and required supporting materials. Students are encouraged to apply as soon as they have secured a summer internship.

**All applications and supporting materials must be sent via e-mail as a single .pdf document to**: Ray Manzo at raymond.manzo@gmail.com and Maria Lopez at marialopeznyc@yahoo.com.

**Applications are due via e-mail by March 23, 2018.** Interviews will be conducted during the weeks of March 26 and April 2. Awardees will be recognized at the San Francisco La Raza Lawyers Association’s Annual Noche de Gala in San Francisco on April 19, 2018.

**QUESTIONS**

Please contact Ray Manzo at raymond.manzo@gmail.com and Maria Lopez at marialopeznyc@yahoo.com.

**PART I**

1. Name

 Address

 E-mail: Telephone ( )

 Law School

2. Community-based legal services provider where you plan to work:

 Address

 Telephone ( ) E-mail

3. Program Director/Supervisor

 Telephone ( ) E-mail

4. Are you in good academic standing with your law school? Yes \_\_\_\_\_\_ No\_\_\_\_\_\_

**PART II**

5. **Résumé:** Include a copy of your current résumé.

6. **Project Description and Narrative.** Include a project description, written by you, that describes (i) the legal services to be provided, (ii) the anticipated length of your summer employment with the project, (iii) the population to be served, (iv) the project objective, and (v) any circumstances that you believe demonstrate your particular financial need. Please also describe your interest and qualifications for the project. Your statement should **not** exceed four double-spaced pages.

7. **Proof of Internship.** Provide documentation from the Program or Supervising Attorney of your anticipated summer internship. At your option, you may also include letters of recommendations.

8. **Statement of Anticipated Expenses and Income:** Please provide your best estimate of your anticipated costs for the summer of 2018.

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| Housing |  |
| Food |  |
| Transportation |  |
| Utilities |  |
| Other |  |
| Sources of funding that you have secured or applied for |  |

Attach all application materials to this application and sign and date before submitting.

***All statements I have made in this application and supporting materials are true and correct, and the project description and narrative attached for item 6 of the application was written by me.***

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Signature\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_