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Legal Fellowships at NCLC

The National Consumer Law Center (NCLC) is pleased to host full time post-law school graduate fellows at our Boston MA or Washington, D.C. offices who have achieved academic excellence and demonstrated a commitment to public interest practice and consumer advocacy. Bar membership is not required but excellent research, writing and analytic skills are necessary. NCLC does not currently have its own funded fellowship program. However, NCLC is willing to work with qualified candidates to assist them in preparing their applications to be submitted to foundations, law schools and other organizations that support fellowship placements.

Fellows will have the opportunity to design a project within NCLC's practice areas. Activities may include participation in impact litigation, analysis of emerging consumer law issues, legislative and regulatory initiatives, investigative reports, authorship of sections of NCLC's consumer law treatises, and other advocacy efforts on behalf of low-income consumers.

To apply, please send a resume and letter of interest to careers@nclc.org with the subject line "Legal Fellowship". Applications will be considered on a rolling basis, but for those individuals interested in applying for 2022 Skadden or EJW Fellowships, priority will be given to candidates that express an interest prior to June 18, 2021.

About the National Consumer Law Center

Founded in 1969, NCLC is a non-profit advocacy organization that challenges predatory business practices that drain income and wealth from low-income families and their communities. NCLC is a leading source of legal and public policy expertise on consumer issues for lawyers, federal and state policymakers, consumer advocates, journalists, and social services providers. We address the most significant consumer problems faced daily by low-income families, such as predatory mortgage loans, home foreclosures, racial discrimination in credit markets, credit card problems, debt collection harassment, credit report errors, car purchases and financing, high-cost banking and short-term lending, bankruptcy, student loans, medical debt, home utility terminations and telecommunications issues.

NCLC's Litigation Project pursues high impact cases intended to achieve systemic change and to help meet the chronic and vast legal needs of low income and elderly consumers who are victimized in the marketplace. The Project has been involved in groundbreaking actions including challenges to disparate impact racial discrimination in the auto finance and subprime mortgage markets, enforcing the fiduciary duties of life insurance providers, altering the practices of credit reporting agencies, fighting foreclosure, challenging child support collection and debt collection abuses, and combating predatory lending practices involving refund anticipation loans, overdraft bounce loans, payday loans and military pension loans.

NCLC attorneys have written and advocated extensively on all aspects of consumer law affecting low-income people, conducted training for tens of thousands of legal services and private attorneys on predatory lending and other consumer law problems, and provided extensive oral and written testimony to numerous Congressional committees on these topics. NCLC's attorneys have been closely involved with the enactment of all federal laws affecting consumer credit since the 1970s, and regularly provide extensive comments to a host of federal agencies.

NCLC writes and publishes a widely praised series of consumer law manuals. These treatises, regularly updated, are considered indispensable resources used by attorneys nationwide.

The National Consumer Law Center is an Equal Opportunity and Affirmative Action Employer, and encourages applications from all qualified individuals without regard to race, color, national origin, religion, sex, gender identity, sexual orientation, age, disability or veteran status, or to other non-work-related factors.