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Hiring for the 2026 Summer Internship

NCLC is seeking rising 3rd year law students for Summer 2026 legal internships.

About NCLC:

For more than 50 years, the National Consumer Law Center (NCLC) has been at the forefront of obtaining major legal and policy victories for families, with a focus on equity for vulnerable populations. Our hardworking staff is a leader in cutting-edge impact litigation, public policy, and education to advance consumer and economic justice. We have offices in Boston and Washington, D.C., as well as a handful of remote staff around the country.

Internship Locations:

- Boston, MA - up to 5 summer interns
- Washington, D.C. - up to 1 summer intern

Summer 2026 Internship Dates: May 18, 2026 - July 31, 2026 (11 weeks)

Work Hours and In-Office Expectations: Standard work hours are 9:00 am to 5:00 pm with flexibility to accommodate appointments/interviews. Currently both the Boston and DC offices are hybrid, with a requirement that interns work in person at least two days per week.

Compensation: Interns will receive a stipend of \$9500, paid at a rate of \$863.64 per week and payable every other Friday.

Benefits: 3 paid holidays (Memorial Day, Juneteenth, and July 4th), all-staff retreat in Boston, lunches with NCLC leadership (Boston-based interns), training in different areas of consumer law, social events, and more!

Responsibilities:

- Legal interns are assigned to a pod with 5-6 attorneys and a designated supervisor.
- Interns work on a variety of consumer law [issues and projects](#) and frequently have the opportunity to contribute to our [litigation work](#). NCLC makes every effort to place interns in their area(s) of interest.
- Assignments range from working on issue briefs and reports, training materials, policy analyses, manuals, articles, and litigation-related assignments.

- Interns will also be invited to participate in meetings and training sessions related to their work.

Qualifications:

- On track to complete the second year of law school prior to May 18, 2026.
- Excellent writing, research, and analytic skills.
- Ability to work independently as well as collaboratively on team projects.
- Ability to juggle multiple assignments with different deadlines.
- Ability to incorporate feedback and ask project supervisors questions as needed.
- Demonstrated interest in public interest law. Prior experience in public interest law preferred, including: non-profit, legal services, clinical, policy, or government work.
- Consumer law experience is welcome but not required.

To Apply:

- Email PDFs of the following materials to internships@nclc.org, Subject Line: 2026 Summer Legal Internship:
 - Your resume,
 - A writing sample - preferably from your summer 2025 internship if possible,
 - A cover-letter, and
 - Applicants interested in the [Sandip J. Gupta Memorial Legal Fellowship](#) should note their interest in medical debt advocacy.
- Applications will be considered on a rolling basis. We anticipate beginning interviews in September 2025.

Endowed Summer Internships:

NCLC is fortunate to have four named [fellowships](#) to support our summer internship program.

- Michael Greenfield Fellowship - preference for a student at WashU
- Robert "Bob" Hobbs Fellowship
- Stuart Rossman Fellowship
- Sandip J. Gupta Memorial Legal Fellowship - preference for an intern interested in medical debt advocacy

Note: We are unable to extend offers of employment at the end of the internship program, but we facilitate and encourage professional development and networking opportunities to assist interns with identifying and securing post-law school opportunities.

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.