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## Vermont Poverty Law Fellowship

### Position Information

Job Type: Post-Grad

Employer: Vermont Legal Aid (Burlington, VT)

Division: N/A

Title: Vermont Poverty Law Fellowship

Description: Job Description:

The Vermont Bar Foundation and the Vermont Access to Justice Campaign are pleased to announce the availability of a two-year Vermont Poverty Law Fellowship (VPLF) beginning in August 2010. The VPLF program is designed to allow graduating law students and other new lawyers to help expand the reach of Vermont's existing legal services providers. Funding for salary and benefits will be provided by the Vermont Access to Justice Fund and will be matched by supervision and office support from a host Vermont legal services organization. Loan forgiveness (up to \$5,000) will be available from the Vermont Bar Foundation.

The specific fellowship projects will be designed to take advantage of the fellow's background and the needs of the low-income community, and will be integrated directly into the services being delivered by one or more of the three major legal services programs in Vermont: Vermont Legal Aid, The Legal Services Law Line of Vermont and/or the South Royalton Legal Clinic at Vermont Law School. The fellowship will include work on one or more specific projects impacting the lives of low-income Vermonters, as well as the day-to-day delivery of legal services to clients. Areas of specialization include foreclosure, rental housing, immigration, children's rights, public benefits, consumer law, disability rights, as well as other areas of critical legal need.

Fellows will work with the Vermont Bar Foundation and the Vermont Bar Association to publicize fellowship activities, contribute to the public awareness of legal services in Vermont, and participate in Vermont Bar Association continuing legal education activities.

Salary will be \$40,000 in the first year and \$41,265 in the second year with excellent fringe benefits. The VPL fellows will be eligible for up to \$5,000 per year in student loan forgiveness through the Vermont Bar Foundation.

Send cover letter detailing the applicant's previous work with low-income clients and/or other relevant experience, resume, three references, and writing sample by February 19, 2010 to:

Vermont Poverty Law Fellowship  
c/o Sandy Burns  
Vermont Legal Aid, Inc.  
P.O. Box 1367

### How To Apply

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Burlington, VT 05402

### Requested Documents:

- Resume
- Writing Sample
- Cover Letter
- References

### Applications accepted via:

- Other

### Important Dates

#### Posted On:

Feb 03, 2010

### Contact Information

**Employer:** Vermont Legal Aid  
(Burlington, VT)

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Equal Opportunity Employer: People with disabilities, women and minorities encouraged to apply.

**Job Requirements:**

Applicants must have excellent written and oral skills. Experience in public interest law, civil rights law or legal services is a plus. Applicants must be recent law school graduates or graduating law students and must be admitted to the Vermont Bar or willing to sit for the July 2010 examination. Some in-state travel required.

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Geographic New England (CT, ME, MA, NH, RI, VT)  
Preference:

Class Level(s): 3L, Dual Degree, Graduate/Alumni

Compensation Salary  
Type:

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Salary Range: 40,000 - 49,999