



UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
REGION III
1650 Arch Street
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19103-2029

November 2, 2009

Placement Director
Northeastern University School of Law
400 Huntington Avenue
Boston, MA 02115

Re: Summer and Academic Year Clerkship Positions with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region III, Philadelphia, PA

Dear Placement Director:

The Office of Regional Counsel, U. S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), Region III, an equal opportunity employer, has approximately eight (8) to ten (10) **volunteer** clerkship positions available for Summer 2010, for first- and second-year students. EPA Region III encompasses the Mid-Atlantic States and is based in Philadelphia, PA. We will consider students who qualify for work-study funds, but only where EPA is not required to contribute financially to the work-study program.

Although our summer clerkships are not salaried positions, we have found our summer program to be highly competitive. Qualified candidates should have a strong academic record and excellent legal research and writing skills. Previous experience or demonstrated interest in environmental or administrative law is helpful, but not required for prospective law clerks. All qualified applicants are encouraged to apply.

Summer law clerks will be expected to undertake a variety of tasks, which will include complex research projects and the drafting of legal documents under the supervision of staff attorneys in the Office of Regional Counsel. Additionally, clerks will be encouraged to accompany staff attorneys to client meetings, negotiating sessions, trials, hearings, and depositions.

As part of the summer law clerk program, the Office of Regional Counsel will hold weekly seminars for law clerks concerning various topics related to EPA's environmental law practice. The seminars are presented by EPA Region III staff attorneys and are designed to give our law clerks a deeper understanding of current legal environmental issues. Former summer clerks have praised the seminar program as a highlight of their clerking experience. A few of the seminars presented during the summer of 2009 were "Global Warming: Is There Any Law Out There?", "Environmental Justice Issues in EPA Region III", and "Anatomy of an Environmental Crimes Investigation and Prosecution".

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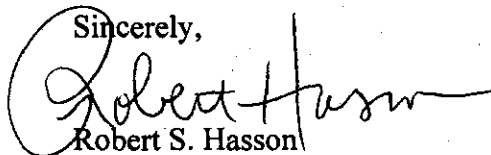
Law clerks will be assigned to one of several branches in the Office of Regional Counsel, each of which focuses on a discrete area of federal environmental law practice, including Air, Water, Toxics, RCRA, and CERCLA. We also have a small practice in Criminal and General law. Law clerks will be expected to work approximately 40 hours per week for ten (10) weeks from early June through early August. Law clerks will be required to obtain the concurrence of their law school for their participation in EPA's summer law clerk program.

Interested candidates should forward a resume, cover letter, writing sample, the names and contact information of three (3) references, and their most recent law school transcript as soon as possible, but no later than January 30, 2010, to Shirlita Nunn at the following address:

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EPA Region III's Office of Regional Counsel also has full- and part-time volunteer law clerk positions available during the academic year. Many of our academic year law clerks earn course credit from their law schools for their clerkships. The application deadlines for academic year clerkships are June 15 for the Fall semester and November 15 for the Spring semester. Interested students should send a cover letter, resume, writing sample, references, and their most recent transcript to me at hasson.robert@epa.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Robert Hasson", written over a circular stamp or seal.

Robert S. Hasson

Co-Coordinator, Law Clerk Program

cc: Mark Bolender, Esq.