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Public Defender

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through effective
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LAW OFFICE OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY PUBLIC DEFENDER



Law Clerk Program

Types of Clerkships Offered

Summer

Fall

Spring

Fall/Spring Senior Law Clerkship

Summer Program

**Dates: Early June to early August
(10 wks.)**

Apply:

2Ls: Aug 1 until filled

1Ls: Dec 1 until filled

Hours: 40 per week

Fall Program

**Dates: Mid-August to early Dec.
(16 wks.)**

Apply: April 1 until filled

Hours: 16 per week

Spring Program

**Dates: Early January to late April (16
wks.)**

Apply: August 1 until filled

Hours: 16 per week

Senior Law Clerk Program

Dates: (Post Bar)

Fall: Mid-August to early Dec.

Spring: Mid-March to early May

Hours: 16 wks./40 per week

**Apply: visit <http://hr.lacounty.gov> for
more information.**

The Los Angeles County Public Defender Law Clerk Program introduces select students to the operations of the office, the court system, and related agencies in the criminal justice system. Law Clerks are mentored by experienced criminal defense attorneys who provide them with a real-life educational experience.

Law clerks assist Deputy Public Defenders with a wide range of projects. La are given the opportunity to observe and participate in client interviews, case strategy meetings, and court proceedings. Law Clerks may complete research and writing projects including briefs, investigation requests, and motions to be filed in court. They may also accompany the attorneys to jail interviews and attend public defender training sessions.

Law clerks may be exposed to misdemeanor, felony, juvenile and appellate law practice.

Senior Law Clerks obtain certification from the state bar and appear on the record in limited circumstances under the supervision of an experienced attorney.

Application Materials

(1) Resume (2) Cover Letter

Qualified candidates will be contacted for interviews.

Please submit all materials to Jac'queline Baskerville.

Contact:

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