



# Pennsylvania Office of Attorney General Public Protection Legal Internship

The Public Protection Division safeguards the personal rights of Pennsylvanians and protects the public, intervening through policy and legal action when individuals, businesses, or organizations violate those rights. The Division handles matters ranging from individual consumer complaints to multi-million dollar antitrust and utility cases.

Public Protection Interns work closely with attorney mentors at the highest level on investigations, regulatory actions, and trials. They gain critical skills in research, legal writing, negotiations, evidence collection and analysis, trial preparation, and more. Though still law students, interns can also become certified to assist attorneys in court. Interns participate in both office-wide educational programs about ethics and public service law, and topical educational talks by professionals within the division. Interns leave with a deep appreciation for and understanding of public-interest litigation.

If selected, PPD interns are offered a position with a specific section based on the applicant's background and topic preference.

## **Possible placements include:**

*Fair Labor | Statewide*

*Antitrust Law | Harrisburg*

*Charitable Trusts & Organizations | Harrisburg*

*Health Care & Insurance | Harrisburg*

*Consumer Protection | Harrisburg, Philadelphia, Pittsburgh*

*Civil Rights Enforcement | Harrisburg*

*Tobacco Enforcement | Harrisburg*

*PPD Division Senior Team | Harrisburg, Philadelphia*

## **Specific responsibilities of Public Protection Interns may include:**

- Drafting legal pleadings, motions, petitions, responses, discovery requests, etc;
- Reviewing investigatory documents;
- Assisting attorneys with trial preparation;
- Interviewing witnesses;
- Conducting legal research;
- Observing and sometimes assisting in court proceedings;
- Other duties as may be required.

## **Qualifications:**

- Must have completed at least 1L year of law school at time of internship;
- Must be currently enrolled in and in good standing with an accredited JD program;
- Strong academic credentials, legal research, and writing skills.

## **Application Requirements:**

- Download and fill out the Internship Preferences Form from: <http://bit.ly/2IX6WzY>.
- Apply online at <http://bit.ly/2Ar4e9Z>. Attach the Preferences Form, cover letter, resume, legal writing sample, and copies of transcripts from all colleges attended to the online application.
- If selected, applicants will be required to submit to a records check.

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