Volunteer Legal Internship Opportunities

The U.S. Office of Personnel Management (OPM) Office of the Inspector General (OIG) Office of Legal and Legislative Affairs (OLLA) is seeking law students (rising 2Ls and 3Ls) to volunteer as interns to work directly with office attorneys.

OLLA supports the OIG's role in combating waste, fraud, and abuse. We advise the Inspector General on personnel, administrative, and policy issues. We also provide legal guidance and support to the other OIG components on criminal procedure, audit guidelines, procurement, and other programs administered by OPM. We work with OPM's Office of General Counsel on various matters and coordinate with the Department of Justice on both criminal and civil matters. Further, we actively interact with Congress on behalf of the OIG.

Law students will get a unique opportunity to obtain valuable and professional Federal workforce experience while supporting attorneys on actual legal and policy matters. Duties will consist of, but not be limited to, assisting attorneys with legal research, preparing memoranda of law, legal opinions, briefs, and preparing responses to correspondence.

Requirements for Consideration (summer only):

- Must be a U.S. Citizen able to pass a background investigation,
- Must be enrolled in an accredited law school and be in good academic standing, and
- Must be available to work at least 40 hours per week.

Interested students should submit a cover letter, resume, transcripts, and writing sample (no more than 10 pages) to Sarah Wahl, Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Office of Personnel Management, Room 6400, 1900 E. Street NW, Washington DC 20415-1100. She can be reached at (202) 606-1963 or sarah.wahl@opm.gov.

We accept resumes for internships year round. Therefore, students should submit their applications well in advance and designate availability for Summer 2022, Fall 2022, and/or Spring 2023.