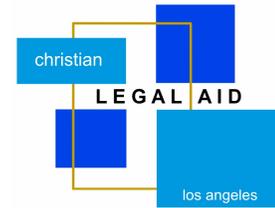


# Christian Legal Aid of Los Angeles

## 2018 Legal Internship Program



### PROGRAMS

#### **Types of Programs Offered:**

- Summer Internships
- Fall & Spring Internships\*
- Post Graduate Clerkships
- Legal Team Volunteers

#### **Summer Program:**

June – early August

- 8 – 10 weeks
- 40 hours per week
- Based in Inglewood

#### **\*Spring Program:**

- Details TBD
- Based in Inglewood
- Email [volunteer@cla-la.org](mailto:volunteer@cla-la.org) if interested

#### **Post-Graduate Program:**

Email [volunteer@cla-la.org](mailto:volunteer@cla-la.org) for more information.

#### **Legal Team Volunteers:**

Ongoing. Email [volunteer@cla-la.org](mailto:volunteer@cla-la.org) for more information.

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### MISSION STATEMENT

Christian Legal Aid of Los Angeles (“CLA-LA”) has a simple mission: pursue justice, bring hope and change lives.

In 2005, the CA State Bar estimated that there was only one legal aid attorney for every 8,361 potential clients. The staggering difference between the supply of legal aid attorneys and need for help is called the “justice gap.”

This gap means that our most vulnerable citizens have no access to justice. At CLA-LA, we believe that we must find ways to follow through on our pledge to live in a nation with “justice for all.” Indeed, the Bible tells us in over 2,000 verses to protect the rights of all who are destitute.

CLA-LA seeks to bridge this gap through legal urgent care – an emergency room for justice. Working with volunteers and local churches, CLA-LA uses a clinic model to offer free legal advice throughout LA County.

As one intern said, “to satisfy a need that is monumental, the solution must be monumental.” Matt Robinson, *Summer Class of 2012*.

### PRACTICE AREAS

CLA-LA assists clients with many legal issues including bankruptcy; employment law; expungement; family law; housing; immigration; government benefits; small business development; small claims; and wills/probate.

CLA-LA refers out matters that require ongoing representation.

### JOB DESCRIPTION

Interns must demonstrate a passion for the vision that drives CLA-LA! CLA-LA offers the following opportunities:

- Interns will be trained in the skills of a “Can-Do” attorney.
- Interns will learn the fundamentals of team building, interviewing clients, communicating with supervising attorneys, and serving clients.
- Interns will become subject matter experts in an area of law of their choosing, working under an experienced attorney, and they will train volunteer lawyers in that area.
- Interns will take field trips to learn about barriers to justice and to visit local judges and lawyers.
- Interns will learn about running a non-profit, including partnership building with our charity partners.
- Interns will learn about the business of operating a law firm and/or the spiritual development of Christian-based legal services.

### JUSTICE FOR ALL AWARD

The internship is designed to offer clinical and classroom experiences where interns learn about the barriers to justice and then devise new solutions to overcome those barriers. Interns will present solutions to their peers who then vote on the best mechanism for improving our legal services.