

# Christian Legal Aid of Los Angeles

## 2025 LEGAL INTERNSHIP PROGRAM

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**10-WEEK PRO-BONO SUMMER INTERNSHIP PROGRAM:  
(Wednesday, May 21, 2025 to Friday, July 25, 2025)**

Attention all law students who are passionate about social justice advocacy and public interest! Join Christian Legal Aid of Los Angeles (CLA-LA) for an internship experience like no other. Our full-time (30 hours a week) summer internship program is an incredible opportunity to gain substantive training and hands-on experience with clients beyond research and writing tasks. You will participate in virtual meetings three days a week and attend in-person meetings or field trips in Los Angeles once a week.

### **Why Intern at CLA-LA?**

Job Description: CLA-LA Legal Intern

As a Legal Intern with CLA-LA, you will gain hands-on experience while working under the guidance of volunteer attorneys. Your role will involve assisting clients with a range of legal issues, including expungement, family law, housing, immigration, small business matters, bankruptcy, employment law, small claims, and wills/probate.

### **Legal Internship Opportunities**

- **Mentorship:** Work closely with an experienced attorney mentor in your chosen field of law and explore how Christian values influence legal practice.
- **Client Interaction:** Learn foundational techniques in team building, client interviewing, and effective communication with supervising attorneys. Engage directly with self-represented litigants during our legal clinics.
- **Advocacy:** Advocate for the legal needs of communities impacted by systemic and structural inequities, particularly within Los Angeles County.
- **Public Interest Work:** Contribute to CLA-LA's public interest efforts by drafting policy papers, preparing legal memoranda, engaging in outreach and education, and supporting various tasks that advance the mission of CLA-LA.
- **Skill Development:** Receive comprehensive training in essential legal skills and cultivate a proactive, solution-oriented attorney mindset.
- **Field Trips:** Participate in enriching field trips to explore barriers to justice; visit local judges, legal professionals, and community service organizations for a deeper understanding of the legal system.
- **Non-Profit Operations:** Gain valuable insights into the workings of a faith-based non-profit, including partnership development, charity collaboration, and the business aspects of running a non-profit or low-bono law firm.

This internship provides a comprehensive introduction to legal practice and public interest work within a faith-based framework, offering valuable experience and professional development.

### **Requirements and Qualifications**

To qualify for this opportunity, you must demonstrate a passion for CLA-LA's mission to share the love of Jesus Christ by cultivating a passion for justice in our community and providing free legal services and hope to those in need in Los Angeles County. Prior experience in working with non-profit organizations, low-income communities, and/or direct client services is preferred. Humility and open-mindedness in working with colleagues and clients across the spectrum of diversity is expected. You must be committed to complying with all California Rules of Professional Conduct, and with all CLA-LA's organizational standards, policies, and practices. You must have a current proficiency in the use of technological equipment necessary to complete supervising attorney and class assignments. On-site attendance at least one day per week in person or as needed to serve clients is preferred. Current law school enrolment is required.

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### **Compensation and Benefits**

This is a Pro-Bono/volunteer internship opportunity. CLA-LA does not offer any remuneration or paid benefits to summer interns.

Don't miss this chance to make a difference in your community and gain valuable experience! To apply email your cover letter and resume to [info@cla-la.org](mailto:info@cla-la.org). For further information about our organization, please visit our website at CLA-LA.org. Have questions please email [info@cla-la.org](mailto:info@cla-la.org) or call Ellen Reinig at (714) 366-0635.