

## **Legal Recruitment**

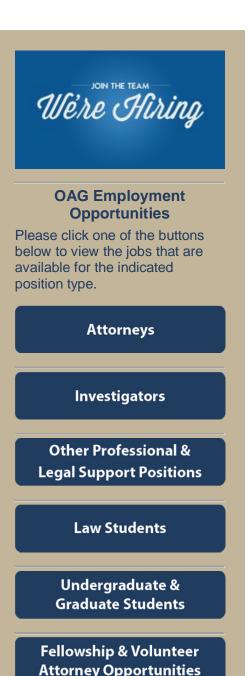
Civil Rights Bureau/Special Investigations & Prosecutions Unit Law Graduate Fellowship – New York City Reference No. CRI/SIPU\_NYC\_FEL

The New York State Office of the Attorney General is offering a **one** (1) **year law graduate fellowship with placement** in the Manhattan office to work jointly between the Civil Rights Bureau and the Special Investigations and Prosecutions Unit. This fellowship is uncompensated. Postgraduate law students with law school funding, public interest fellowships, as well as those candidates who may not have outside funding, are encouraged to apply.

The <u>Civil Rights Bureau</u> works to promote equal justice under law and seeks to enforce the civil rights of all New Yorkers. Using federal, state, and local civil rights laws, the Bureau enforces laws that protect all New Yorkers from discrimination on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age, marital status, sexual orientation, gender identity, military status, source of income or disability.

The <u>Special Investigations and Prosecutions Unit</u> is responsible for investigating and, if warranted, prosecuting all cases that fall within the scope of Executive Order 147. This Executive Order requires the AG's Office to act as a special prosecutor in incidents where a law enforcement officer causes the death of an unarmed civilian, or where there is a significant question as to whether the civilian was armed and dangerous. In instances where SIPU investigates but declines to pursue charges, it is required to publish a report explaining the outcome of the investigation and any recommendations for systemic change arising out of the investigation.

The CRB-SIPU Fellow will work jointly with both Bureaus, principally assisting in their work around policing best practices. Applicants must possess excellent research and writing skills and have a demonstrated commitment to



public interest work.

Applicants must either (1) be admitted to the New York State bar; (2) be awaiting admission to the New York State bar; (3) be awaiting New York State bar exam results; or (4) be preparing to sit for the next scheduled New York State bar exam.

A Volunteer AAG has the opportunity to function as an AAG and, therefore, is vetted and approved as if an AAG. Applicants must reside in (or intend to soon become a resident of) New York State. In addition, the Public Officers Law requires that AAGs in the Office be citizens of the United States. Accordingly, Volunteer AAG candidates who do not meet the citizenship and/or residency requirements and have yet to take the NYS Bar exam will instead be designated "Volunteer Attorneys" and will function in the office as a law clerk as opposed to an AAG or Volunteer AAG.

Candidates from diverse backgrounds are encouraged to apply. The OAG is an equal opportunity employer and is committed to workplace diversity.



## **How To Apply**

Applications are being received online. To apply, please click on the following link: CRI/SIPU NYC FEL

Applicants must be prepared to submit a complete application consisting of the following:

- Cover Letter
  - You may address to Legal Recruitment
- Resume
- List of three (3) references with contact information and email addresses
- Law school transcript if less than five (5) years post-graduate
  - o Unofficial is acceptable
- Writing Sample
  - Any piece of legal writing that demonstrates your ability to analyze legal issues in a clear and concise manner, as well as your advocacy and grammatical skills. For example, an advisory opinion, memorandum of law in support of a motion, or appellate brief would be acceptable.

Please note: Failure to submit a complete application will delay the consideration of your application.

If you have questions about a position with the OAG, the application process or need assistance with submitting your application, please contact the Legal

Recruitment via email at <a href="mailto:recruitment@ag.ny.gov">recruitment@ag.ny.gov</a> or phone at 212-416-8080.

For more information about the OAG, please visit our website: <a href="www.ag.ny.gov">www.ag.ny.gov</a>.

