



THE CARIBBEAN BAR ASSOCIATION

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2022-2023

SUMMER INTERNSHIP APPLICATION

The Caribbean Bar Association (the “CBA”) will award up to three (3) Judicial and Legal Services summer internship placements. Each award recipient will participate in either: (1) an 8-week Judicial Internship with a judge presiding in a South Florida court with a \$3,000.00 stipend or (2) an 8-week Legal Services Internship with Legal Services of Greater Miami with a \$3,000.00 stipend.

Requirements

Application: Please submit (1) this completed application, (2) cover letter, (3) resume, (4) law school transcript for all law school coursework completed (does not need to be an official transcript), and (5) essay response, by email to caribbeanbarassociation@gmail.com on or before **FRIDAY, MARCH 10, 2023**. The CBA Scholarship Committee will select a pool of candidates for a round of brief interviews and will notify the award recipients shortly thereafter. **No applications will be accepted after the deadline.**

Each candidate must demonstrate strong academic credentials, legal research and writing skills, and an interest in issues affecting the Caribbean-American or South Florida community.

Overview of Internship Opportunities

Students awarded a CBA scholarship will receive an internship placement at the sites listed below only; **the scholarship award may not be applied to a different internship:**

1. **Judicial Internship, Palm Beach, Broward and Miami-Dade Counties.** Assist a Judge and judicial staff in managing cases on the court’s docket. Depending on each Judge’s assigned court division, the Judge may preside over criminal, civil, family or probate proceedings. An intern’s duties may include:
 - attending and observing judicial proceedings;
 - reviewing documents filed by counsel;
 - researching legal issues; and
 - drafting bench memos and orders for review by the Judge.
2. **Legal Services of Greater Miami Law Clerk.** Assist Legal Services of Greater Miami attorneys and clients in state and federal court, in administrative proceedings, and in appellate courts. A law clerk’s duties may include any combination of the following:
 - interviewing clients in person and by telephone;
 - conducting factual investigations including visiting apartments and taking photographs;
 - performing legal research and writing legal memoranda;
 - drafting pleadings and discovery motions;
 - reviewing documents;
 - preparing for and observing administrative and court hearings;
 - participating in after-hours legal clinics; and
 - participating in after-hours community education events.



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APPLICATION FORM

Last Name: _____ First Name: _____

Address: _____

Mailing Address (if different from above): _____

Telephone: _____ Cell: _____

Email: _____

Law School: _____

Year: _____1L _____2L GPA: _____

Expected Graduation Date: _____

Undergraduate Degree: _____

Undergraduate School: _____

Undergraduate GPA: _____

Internship Preference: ____ Judicial Internship ____ Legal Services Internship

Other information that you feel might assist those reviewing this application:

Essay Question: Please answer – in 1,000 words or less – the following essay question:

On October 31, 2022, the Supreme Court heard oral arguments on the issue of whether using race as a factor in the college admissions process violates Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (Title VI). Title VI was enacted to prohibit institutions who receive federal funding from discriminating on the basis of race, color and national origin in programs. The Equal Protection Clause of the Fourteenth Amendment prohibits states from denying equal protection to persons within its jurisdiction.

The two cases which were consolidated are: *Students for Fair Admissions (SFFA) v. Harvard University and SFFA v. University of North Carolina*. Harvard University was accused of violating Title VI by discriminating against Asian-American applicants relative to white applicants in the undergraduate admissions process. The University of North Carolina was accused of violating Title VI and the Equal Protection Clause of the Fourteenth Amendment for using race to give significant preference to underrepresented minority applicants, which affected white and Asian-American applicants. Both institutions asserted that they have a compelling government interest in selecting a diverse student body.

While applying the strict scrutiny test, analyze whether achieving diversity in a university's student body is a compelling governmental interest which justifies using race as a factor in the evaluation process. In your essay, address whether the use of race in this manner violates the Equal Protection Clause of the Fourteenth Amendment.