



## Deferred Associate Externship Opportunities

1. Organization Name:

Brooklyn Legal Services Corporation A, affiliate of Legal Services NYC

2. Are you a 501 (c)(3)? If not, what is your tax exempt status?

Yes

3. Are you an IOLA grantee?

Yes

4. Contact information including name, telephone number and email address for applications.

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5. How many externs can your organization use?

6 externs

6. Please fill in specific job descriptions for all externships below along with minimum time frame (e.g. 4, 6, 9 or 12 months). You may use the form to list all externships you wish to offer.

Name of Externship (e.g. Family Law Project)	Job Description	Number of Months
<p><b>1. Housing/Brooklyn Legal Services Corp. A</b></p>	<p><b>Housing/Brooklyn Legal Services Corp. A</b> offers opportunities for one-year law firm deferred associates to represent individual tenants being evicted from their apartments and participate in affirmative litigation and transactional work on behalf of tenant associations and low-income coops. There are such opportunities in all three of our offices: Williamsburg, East Brooklyn and Bushwick. Williamsburg and Bushwick provide opportunities in individual and group housing; East Brooklyn specializes in individual housing. The mission of this work is to improve housing conditions and prevent already diminishing housing stock from additional encroachment. Attorneys would be appearing in both civil and supreme court and gain substantial litigation experience. They would be mentored by a senior staff attorney and gradually take over all aspects of a case, from interviewing to arguing in court to appealing decisions. Housing is the primary problem faced by most of our clients and these placements would afford an opportunity to make a significant impact on neighborhood stabilization in the communities of North and East Brooklyn.</p>	<p>Minimum time frame: 9 to 12 months</p>
<p><b>2. Foreclosure Defense/Anti-Predatory Lending Unit, Brooklyn Legal Services Corp A</b></p>	<p><b>Foreclosure Defense/Anti-Predatory Lending Unit, Brooklyn Legal Services Corp A</b> offer opportunities to 2 one-year law firm externs/deferred attorneys in our Williamsburg and East Brooklyn offices. The attorneys will work directly with clients, engage in a very high level of complex litigation, and be exposed to wide range of legal subject matter involving both procedural and substantive matters arising from mortgage foreclosure and dubious lending practices. They would help both pro se clients and co-counsel with unit attorneys on cases we accept for full representation. In addition, the attorneys would have the opportunity to accompany clients to court-supervised settlement conferences at which they could advocate for affordable loan modifications for the clients. Such experience can substantially sharpen skills involving both advocacy and negotiation. Opportunity to make a significant impact on neighborhood stabilization in Brooklyn communities.</p>	<p>Minimum time frame: 9 to 12 months</p>
<p><b>3. Unemployment Insurance Benefits/ Brooklyn Legal Services Corp. A</b></p>	<p><b>Unemployment Insurance Benefits/ Brooklyn Legal Services Corp. A</b> offers an opportunity for one extern to handle unemployment insurance cases under the supervision of an experienced senior attorney in our Williamsburg office. Brooklyn A is swamped with claimants seeking relief from denial of unemployment insurance benefits. The situation is especially compelling because of the shrinking labor market: for many of our clients, UI benefits will be their only source of income for an extended period. At the present time, we have only one attorney handling these cases. An extern would be an ideal addition to this practice. The senior attorney would provide training and supervision. The extern would gain</p>	<p>Minimum time frame: 9 to 12 months</p>

