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NOTICE OF RECRUITMENT
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BRIDGE FELLOWS PROGRAM – 2018

The Oakland City Attorney’s Office is now accepting applications from recent law school graduates for Bridge Fellow positions.

The Oakland City Attorney’s Office provides legal representation and advice to the City’s agencies, departments, Mayor, City Administrator, City Council, and City boards and commissions. The Office also defends the City in litigation, files actions on the City’s behalf and handles writ petitions and appeals. Bridge Fellows will be assigned to work on litigation, advisory and transactional matters of City-wide importance, based on their interests and experience, and the Office’s needs.

Litigation matters may include cases in State and Federal court involving civil rights claims, personal injury, land use and planning issues, contract disputes, and employment claims. Advisory and transactional matters may include labor relations, employment law, civil rights, constitutional law, land use and planning, municipal finance and taxation, real estate, copyright, election law, as well as other areas of municipal law. Graduates may also be assigned to work with the Neighborhood Law Corps, a unit in the Office’s Affirmative Litigation division that combats nuisance and blight issues through code enforcement litigation.

No prior municipal law experience is required.

The Oakland City Attorney’s Office seeks to attract graduates of exceptional ability and talent from all walks of life. The City Attorney fosters a work environment that is diverse and inclusive, where people of all backgrounds and experiences may reach their full potential.

Interested graduates should e-mail a cover letter, resume, one writing sample and three references to Shavonda Early at searly@oaklandcityattorney.org. Applications will be accepted and reviewed until all positions have been filled.

Please note that the Bridge Fellowship is an unpaid volunteer position. Our program allows recent graduates to volunteer with the Oakland City Attorney’s Office while they continue to seek permanent employment. We do not have a minimum time commitment for our Fellows, but do request reasonable notice of departure. Interested applicants are encouraged to reach out to their respective law schools about stipends available to recent graduates participating in Bridge Fellowship programs.