



**STATE BAR OF TEXAS
LITIGATION SECTION
2016-2017 INTERNSHIP PROGRAM FUNDING CRITERIA**

The Litigation Section considers applications for funding for internships that comply with following funding criteria established by the Litigation Section:

1. The Litigation Section of the State Bar of Texas will provide stipends with a value of \$4,000 each to eight Texas law students who spend the summer of 2017 working on litigation matters at a legal aid, pro bono or other non-profit legal services organization or program in Texas.
2. The Section expects law students to receive hands-on training in litigation skills while having a positive impact on the clients they serve. The internships will enable law students to earn a stipend while working with nonprofit organizations that provide access to justice for low-income Texans.
3. The Section prefers to fund internships for projects in which student interns work with staff attorneys to provide direct legal services to low-income clients.
4. The organization must develop a summer internship in which the student will work on legal issues related to litigation for a minimum of 40 hours/week for 10 weeks.
5. The intern must be a law student in good academic standing from an accredited law school in Texas. The student must be provided with the details of the internship, including the nature of the internship, the fact of Litigation Section sponsorship, amount of the stipend, minimum time commitment, and final report requirement.
6. The organization must provide the Litigation Section with the name of the student and the name of the law school the student attends.
7. The organization must provide adequate supervision for the intern by a licensed attorney in good standing with the licensing authority.
8. The organization must utilize all the funding received from the Section to provide compensation or a stipend for the student intern.
9. The organization must ensure that the student provides to the Section by October 2, 2017 a final report summarizing the internship experience.
10. In determining whether to award funding for an internship, the Litigation Section will consider whether the applicant has also applied for funding for a Litigation Section grant.

For more information or questions:

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