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INDIAN LAW FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM

BERKEY WILLIAMS LLP

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Berkey Williams Indian Law Fellowship

Our Indian Law Fellowship Program encourages recent law graduates to work in the field of American Indian law and provides the Fellow with an opportunity to pursue a wide variety of projects in Indian country. The Fellowship intends to contribute to the development of the Indian law leaders of the future, whatever their career paths in the field might be.

About Berkey Williams

This is a private law firm with a significant public interest focus. The firm has two attorneys, and two paralegals in Berkeley, California, one attorney in each of our offices in Davis, California, Washington, DC, and Syracuse, New York. The firm represents exclusively Indian tribes and tribal organizations. Natural resources protection, water and fishing rights, lands rights, cultural resources protection, tribal sovereignty, self-governance, Indian child welfare, employment, and health care are representative areas of the firm's work. Additional information may be found on the Firm's web site: www.berkeywilliams.com.

About the Fellowship

The one-year Fellowship offers a competitive salary, full benefits, training, and the opportunity to work with experienced attorneys in a firm focused exclusively on serving Indian tribes and tribal organizations. The Fellow will work in the Berkeley, California office. The Fellowship begins in September, 2018, with some flexibility depending upon the candidate's schedule. Berkey Williams is committed to recruiting attorneys who will bring a variety of experiences to the firm's clients, and to supporting them by providing the resources necessary to building a strong career in Indian law. The projects on which a Fellow might work are shaped by the creativity of the Fellow and the needs or demands of a particular client tribe or tribal organization.

Qualifications and Selection Criteria

Applications are encouraged from recent law school graduates with a demonstrated commitment to Indian law. Preference is given to candidates, both Indian and non-Indian, who demonstrate personal or professional experience with Indian communities. High academic achievements are considered, but they are weighed with other equally significant factors: personal accomplishments, professional goals, and the capacity to work conscientiously and independently as needed. Candidates with interest in specific Indian law projects are encouraged to bring their proposals to the firm. Membership in the California Bar, or willingness to obtain membership in the California Bar or Bar of another state, though not essential, is a significant factor in the firm's evaluation of candidates.

Applying for the Fellowship

Interested law school graduates or 3rd year law school students should send a cover letter, resume and a writing sample to Gloria Coronado, ICWA/Administrative Assistant, at gcoronado@berkeywilliams.com. No phone calls please. Deadline to apply is October 6, 2017.