Legal Internship Opportunities

The Victim Rights Center of Connecticut (VRCCT) offers a legal internship program to acquaint law students with victims’ rights in the state of Connecticut and how they are practically enforced in our criminal and judicial systems, as well as in private and public school systems. VRCCT provides support and legal representation to victims of crime through criminal, limited civil, employment, and Title IX proceedings. Law students will work with attorneys on cases related to adult sex assault, adult victims of childhood sex assault, adolescent abuse, elder abuse, LGBTQIA hate crimes, stalking, and homicide. The legal internship program is an important component of VRCCT to provide support to our attorneys by conducting legal research on their behalf, attending court, initial consults, police or forensic interviews, client meetings, and organizing and maintaining legal files. Law students will also help complete intakes and screenings of potential clients via phone. Law students who are bilingual are welcome to help with translation and interpretation between attorneys and clients. Law students must maintain strict confidentiality of the contents of the organization’s and attorneys’ files, and about cases they hear discussed in any office or setting related to clients.

A legal internship with VRCCT will provide a meaningful experience working with professional staff and attorneys at one of the state’s only law firms solely dedicated to working with victims of crime. Law students should have a willingness to take initiative and be an active participant in the VRCCT office.

Law students must have completed one full year at an American Bar Association-accredited law school and must be in good standing academically. Law students applying for the legal internship must be willing to commit to at least one semester (fall, spring, or summer) during which it is expected they commit to a minimum of two days a week, 12 hours per week, for 12 weeks. Law students who are seeking a for-credit internship during the academic year must comply with their law schools’ requirements for academic credit and contact the school office governing for-credit internships.

If you are interested in becoming a Legal Intern with VRCCT, please send us your resume with a cover letter discussing your interests, goals, and related experience if applicable, as well as a writing sample. Please also provide any information regarding your university’s internship requirements. The cover letter, resume, and writing sample should be sent via email to Nadya at nadya@endsexualviolencect.org or via fax to 203-745-0073.