



2026 LSNC SUMMER LAW CLERK PROGRAM

PROGRAM OVERVIEW

Legal Services of Northern California's (LSNC) Summer Law Clerk Program is a 10-week, full-time internship for law students, running from May 26 through July 31, 2026. LSNC intends to place students in person at our offices in **Auburn, Chico, Eureka, Redding, Sacramento, Ukiah, Vallejo,** and **Woodland**, as well as with the Western States Pension Assistance Project and Expanded Access Project in Sacramento.

Law clerks help advance LSNC's mission by supporting critical legal services for underserved individuals and families.

TRAINING & MENTORSHIP

LSNC's Summer Law Clerk Program begins with a multi-day orientation exposing law students to the major legal problems facing low-income individuals, as well as the advocacy skills needed to assist in these cases. Following orientation, law clerks report to their assigned offices and may receive additional training. Law clerks can engage in client interviewing, drafting memos, working with community groups, and conducting legal research for cases and community issues. Law clerks may also work on projects including designing community education seminars, in-depth research on substantive law topics, or creating legal resources for client or staff use.

Each law clerk will receive guidance from a mentor attorney in their office or project. The mentor will guide the law clerk throughout the summer. Law clerks will also have opportunities to work with other LSNC advocates and staff.

FUNDING & CREDIT

LSNC may offer a modest living expense stipend to summer law clerks accepted into the law clerk program, contingent on funding. LSNC may assist law clerks in pursuing public interest law foundation grants or work-study funds. LSNC also supports law clerks who seek externship credit in lieu of funding.

APPLICATION & SELECTION PROCESS

Law students may apply directly or through public interest career events. LSNC makes offers on a rolling basis through March 16, 2026.

To apply directly, please submit a résumé, cover letter, **including preferred office or project placements**, and an unofficial law school transcript to **probono@lsnc.net** by **January 30, 2026**, with the subject line: **2026 Summer Law Clerk Program**. Applicants may also apply online at www.lsnc.net/jobs or by mail to:

LSNC Summer Law Clerk Program
517 12th Street
Sacramento, CA 95814

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