

Seeking Applications for the Access to Justice Student Fellowship

The Volunteer Lawyers Project of CNY, Inc. seeks applications for the **Access to Justice Fellowship** position. The organization encourages law student applicants to be passionate about advancing the cause of equity and racial justice in their work. Law students who are members of a diverse population that historically has been underrepresented in the legal field profession and students who have faced adversity, and thereby may have a diverse perspective on life and the practice of law, are also strongly encouraged to apply.

Law students will be selected for the paid fellowship and will work under the close supervision of VLPCNY staff attorneys. Fellows will provide direct representation, assist with client interviews, conduct client intakes, draft court documents and conduct legal research.

The Access to Justice Fellowship recipients will provide support through all VLPCNY programming, including; Immigration Law, LGBT Rights, Family Law, Eviction Defense, Consumer Law and Elder Law.

VLPCNY acknowledges that having a team with lived experience, which aligns with the experience of our clients, improves our ability to better serve the community.

Our staff commits to:

- Providing weekly check-ins to answer questions, provide guidance and assign tasks.
- Support fellow's learning and professional development by ensuring fellow has a rewarding experience in which they are able to learn about a variety of areas of law.

Fellowship candidates can plan to gain real-world experience in the legal field and a broadened understanding of legal services and the issues facing low-income clients.

A stipend will be provided to recipients of the Access to Justice Fellowship.

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