## U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Environmental Appeals Board Washington, D.C.

## Legal Internship/Externship Program 2014 - 2015

Location: U.S. EPA East, Washington, DC (Federal Triangle metro stop)
Salary: Unpaid. Students may work as academic (for credit) interns or as unpaid law clerks or externs.
Hours: Full-time/semester-in-practice (40 hours per week) or part-time (at least 15 hours per week)
Other requirements: Must be a continuing law student and enrolled in law school for the semester following the internship. Students must have U.S. citizenship.

**Office Description**: The Environmental Appeals Board (Board) is the final EPA decision maker on administrative appeals under all major environmental statutes that EPA administers. It is an impartial body independent of all Agency components outside the immediate Office of the Administrator. The Board was created in 1992 in recognition of the growing importance of EPA adjudicatory proceedings as a mechanism for implementing and enforcing environmental laws. There are four Environmental Appeals Judges responsible for Board decisions that sit in panels of three and make decisions by majority vote.

The Board's caseload consists primarily of appeals from permit decisions and civil penalty decisions, as well as petitions for reimbursement of costs incurred in complying with cleanup orders issued under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980 (CERCLA). The Board decides these matters pursuant to a delegation of authority from the EPA Administrator. Additional information about the Board is available at www.epa.gov/eab.

**Position Description**: The Board seeks legal interns to assist both the Environmental Appeals Judges and Counsel to the Board to conduct legal research, analyze applicable law and the administrative record, draft legal memoranda, and prepare final decisions. In addition to excellent legal research, writing, and analytical skills, the Board seeks applicants with an interest in environmental law, administrative law, or appellate litigation. Experience in any of these areas is a plus. The Board will consider applications from 1L and 2L law students; rising 3L students who wish to work in the fall or winter/spring semester of their 3L year also may apply. Start and end dates are negotiable. Summer positions are full-time only and require a commitment of at least eight weeks. Fall and winter/spring positions may be full-time or part-time and require a commitment of at least ten weeks.

## How to Apply:

- Applicants should submit a cover letter, resume, writing sample, transcript, and references by the appropriate deadline:
  - o July 20, 2014 for Fall 2014 positions
  - November 20, 2014 for Winter/Spring 2014-2015 positions
  - February 20, 2015 for Summer 2015 positions
- Email transmission of application materials is preferred; please include your full name in the subject line.

## **Contact Person**:

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