



Environmental Law Section Diversity & Inclusion Fellowship Program – Summer 2019

Deadline to Apply: **October 29, 2018**

The Environmental Law Section of the California Lawyers Association is pleased to announce its Diversity & Inclusion Fellowship program for Summer 2019. The program provides law students an opportunity to spend 8 to 10 weeks over the summer practicing environmental, energy, land use, and/or natural resources law at a participating government agency or public interest organization. Each participant receives a \$5,000 stipend. The Section also matches the Fellows with mentors who practice in the field, coordinates gatherings and provides opportunities for the Fellows to meet other Section members, and invites the Fellows to attend the Section's Environmental Law Conference at Yosemite® in October following the Fellowship with free conference registration.

The Fellowship program is designed to help foster diversity within the California environmental bar, which is one of the core principles in the Environmental Law Section's Mission Statement. The Section strongly encourages applications from law students from diverse or underrepresented backgrounds (including but not limited to diversity arising from the applicant's sex, gender, gender identity, gender expression, sexual orientation, color, race, religion, ancestry, national origin, familial status, marital status, mental or physical disability, or genetic information); as well as from students from backgrounds that may have presented obstacles to accessing the legal profession, such as family financial hardship while growing up, being the first in one's family to go to college, or geographical circumstances such as coming from a rural or inner-city background that limited social interaction with lawyers. The Section will consider such information, as described in the applicant's personal statement, as part of the selection criteria. Other selection criteria include interest in environmental issues, personal and leadership qualities, and academic record.

Further information about the Diversity & Inclusion Fellowship Program, including how to apply, can be found in the [program flier](#) and on the [Environmental Law Section's website](#). The Environmental Law Section also encourages posting the flier on law-student-focused bulletin boards, such as those of law school career development offices, environmental law societies, and law student affinity organizations. Please help us spread the word about this exciting opportunity for law students interested in environmental law and related fields.

Applications for the Summer 2019 Diversity & Inclusion Fellowship Program are due October 29, 2018. For additional information contact [Kristina Robledo](#), Section Coordinator, The California Lawyers Association, 180 Howard Street, Suite 410, San Francisco, California, 94105; (415) 795-7202; environmental@calawyers.org.