The California Department of Justice, Office of the Attorney General, Criminal Law Division, Special Prosecution Section, is currently recruiting students for summer internships at our Los Angeles Office.

The Special Prosecutions Section (SPS) investigates and prosecutes complex criminal cases occurring in California, primarily related to financial, securities, and environmental fraud; public corruption, including violations of California’s Political Reform Act; “underground economy” offenses, including tax and revenue fraud and counterfeiting; transnational organized crime; officer involved shootings; and human trafficking. Vertical teams of prosecutors, investigators, auditors, and paralegals often work with federal and local authorities on cases involving multi-jurisdictional criminal activity.

The students are supervised by a Deputy Attorney General (DAG), and all student briefs are reviewed and critiqued. Student interns will have the opportunity to assist deputies by preparing written memorandum, and conducting legal research on a broad range of legal issues. Students will review and assess evidence for pending cases and assist attorneys with trial preparation. Students may draft responses to defense motions, assist in the creation of trial binders and discovery, and attend court appearances with attorneys. Students may also assist with the work of the TRUE task force. Please note that this is an unpaid volunteer position.

WHO MAY APPLY:

Law students who have completed their first or second year (i.e., rising 2Ls and 3Ls) may apply. Preference will be given to students who have completed the following classes: Criminal Law, Criminal Procedure, Evidence, and Constitutional Law. Applicants must have excellent writing, research, and analytical skills.

HOW TO APPLY:

Interested students should submit an application of the following documents: resume, cover letter, unofficial transcript, and writing sample (letters of reference is optional). The cover letter should include the student’s dates of availability.

The deadline to apply for a position in the Summer 2023 internship program is December 31, 2022. However, interested applicants are encouraged to apply as soon as possible. The positions will remain open until filled.

Send the application to:
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Or Email: nicholas.schultz@doj.ca.gov with the subject line: internship application.