

Volunteer Internship Opportunity: Office of the City Attorney Criminal and Community Justice Divisions

2025 Fall Post-Bar Positions Available:

The Office of the City Attorney, Criminal and Community Justice Divisions, is excited to offer volunteer internship opportunities for recent law school graduates (post-bar) and current third-year law students (3Ls) preparing to take the California Bar Examination in July 2025.

Post-bar interns will gain firsthand experience in legal research, writing, pretrial motion advocacy, as well as trial preparation. Interns will have opportunities to confer with witnesses and victims, first-chair motions, and evidentiary hearings, and second chair jury trials, all under the direct supervision of a Deputy City Attorney.

This is a fantastic opportunity to gain courtroom experience, mentorship from experienced prosecutors, exposure to criminal cases, trial preparation, and victim advocacy, as well as providing networking opportunities within the criminal justice system. The interns will receive comprehensive training to prepare them for a career in prosecution. This unpaid volunteer position offers a unique opportunity to gain invaluable legal experience while working alongside practicing attorneys.

To qualify for this internship position, candidates should have strong legal research, writing, and oral advocacy skills. Passion for criminal law, public service and justice, and the ability to work under pressure in a fast-paced environment is highly desired.

The post-bar internship begins on August 18, 2025, and will conclude in November on the release date of the California Bar Exam results. During this timeframe, post-bar interns should anticipate volunteering approximately 35-40 hours per week for at least 12 weeks. The internship will be conducted in-person during regular office hours from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

To apply for the post-bar position, please submit a letter of interest, a current resume, an unofficial transcript, and a short writing sample (maximum 10 pages). Applicants should submit their application materials by **March 17, 2025**, to CityAttyInternprog@sandiego.gov.

We look forward to your application!

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