Hawaiʻi Environmental Law Careers Directory 2007

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Aloha!

This is the sixth edition of the Hawai`i Environmental Law Careers Directory. This edition includes many new entries, reflecting substantial growth and diversity of environmental law practice in Hawai`i in recent years. The Directory is a publication of the Environmental Law Society and the Environmental Law Program of the William S. Richardson School of Law. The Directory is meant to be more than just a list of potential employers. We hope it is a helpful resource for Hawai`i’s environmental law community as well.

The Directory illustrates the rich diversity among environmental law practitioners in Hawai`i and should inspire students to think broadly about their future careers in this exciting area of the law. The Directory also provides a way for public interest organizations, government agencies, and private law firms assisting clients on a pro bono basis to advertise their need for volunteer help from law students. Similarly, it assists students interested in environmental externships by supplying names of organizations offering such opportunities. Additionally, the Directory provides community organizations, students, and practitioners a handy reference guide to the addresses, telephone numbers, fax numbers, and e-mail addresses that the Hawai`i environmental law community needs to access on a daily basis.

Our goal is to improve the Directory with each edition. We welcome any suggestions you have to help us achieve this goal. If you have any corrections or suggestions, please contact us.

Mahalo for your support. We hope you use and enjoy the Directory!

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Environmental Job Description: Litigation of high-profile cases involving federal environmental laws (including Endangered Species Act, Clean Water Act, and National Environmental Policy Act) and state and county laws regarding Native Hawaiian rights, water rights, preservation of Hawaiian culture and resource management.

Pro bono Opportunities: Available.
Pro bono Description: Opportunities can be tailored to students’ background, interest, and skills. Assignments might include case investigation, legal or factual research, drafting of legal documents and/or other litigation support.

Externship Opportunities: Available.
Externship Description: Same as pro bono description. Earthjustice generally requires externs to work a minimum of sixty hours.

Summer Clerkship (paid): Available

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Aarin Gross ’08 (Summer ’07)
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Environmental Job Description: Research, analysis, and advocacy for non-profit trade association that seeks rational land use planning and reasonable land use and environmental regulation on behalf of large landowners and developers.

Pro bono Opportunities: Possibly available.
Pro Bono Description: See Externship Description.

Externship Opportunities: Possibly available.
Externship Description: Tailored to students’ background, interest, and skills; assignments might include digesting and analysis of legislative bills and drafting of testimony during session, or analysis of legality and impact of proposed federal or state environmental rules and regulations.

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Hawaii’s oldest and largest non-profit law firm, with offices on O‘ahu and the neighbor islands.

Pro Bono Opportunities: Available.
Pro Bono Description: Positions available in fields such as family law, fair housing public benefits, consumer law and tax law.
Externship Opportunities: Possibly.
Externship Description: Same as pro bono.
ELP Alumni Employed by Organization: Maile Shimabukuro, ’00

KE KIA‘I dba NATIVE HAWAIIAN ADVISORY COUNCIL
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Pro Bono Opportunities: Available.
Pro Bono Description: Legal research of environmental and Native Hawaiian rights issues, factual investigation, drafting of citizen’s complaints and other pleadings, participation in community building activities, and preparing and presenting testimony on behalf of Hawaiians, in conjunction with support of attorneys who provide services to the Hawaiian community through our organization.
Externship Opportunities: Available.
Externship Description: Research of laws for the development and implementation in compliance with the (1) National Environmental Policy Act and other environmental laws and legal research to support socially responsible investing in Hawai‘i; (2) to support development of a Community Development Financial Institution with majority shareholder policies to support Native Hawaiian ownership; (3) to support the development and implementation of a mortuary method based on traditional practice of iwi kupuna; and (4) to support higher stream water levels in Waimanalo, in support of attorneys who provide services to the Hawaiian community through our organization.
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Environmental Job Description: Primary areas of practice include NEPA, Section 106 NHPA, Water Code, Ch. 205, Ch. 6E.
Pro bono Opportunities: Available.
Pro bono Description: Assisting in trial or hearing preparation, research, and writing on land use, environmental issues, quiet title, ceded lands, Hawaiian Homeland trusts, and traditional rights.
Externship Opportunities: Available.
Externship Description: Same as pro bono description. Work would possibly consist of research and writing assignments, given the limited time a student could devote to the externship per week. The focus of our work is Native Hawaiian issues, which sometimes overlaps with environmental issues.
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Environmental Job Description: Natural resource, land use, historic preservation, endangered species, hazardous substances, clean water.
Pro bono Opportunities: Possibly available.
Pro bono Description: Varies, but will deal with environmental, cultural resource, or land use issues.
Externship Opportunities: None available.
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Environmental Job Description: Prosecute and defend environmental contamination cost recovery actions; defend Endangered Species Act cases; advise clients on environmental aspects of transactions.
Pro bono Opportunities: None available.
Pro bono Description: None available.
Externship Opportunities: Some summer job opportunities.
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Environmental Job Description: All aspects related to the Federal Clean Air Act, Clean Water Act, CERCLA, RCRA, Endangered Species Act, Coastal Zone Management Act and State equivalent. Part-time work includes water quality, wastewater treatment, and CZMA.
Externship Opportunities: Available.
Externship Description: Externship opportunities are available on a limited basis. Research assignments are given to students in various areas of environmental law.
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Environmental Job Description:
Represented Sierra Club, East Hawai’i group, Hui Likai--Citizens for Protection of North Kohala Coastline and Greenpeace Foundation of Hawai’i, Inc., Protect Puako, Restore Beach Access Hawai’i.

Pro bono Opportunities: Possibly available.
Pro bono Description: In past, Pro bono work primarily comprised of lawsuits against Hawai’i County agencies for violation of State and County land use and environmental regulations.
FEDERAL GOVERNMENT OFFICES

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Environmental Job Description: Advise the District Engineer and staff on legal issues related to the Department of the Army permit program, civil works and water resources programs, military and civil project planning, and environmental restoration and formerly used military sites.
Pro bono Opportunities: Available.
Pro bono Description: Occasionally prepare and deliver talks on the Department of Army civil works and regulatory programs.
Externship Opportunities: Available.
Externship Description: Eight hour a week course credit program in regulatory/environmental law.

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY, PACIFIC ISLANDS CONTACT OFFICE (PICO)
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Job Search Notes: As a first step for job opportunities, the website above for Region 9 should be checked.
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The Department of Land and Natural
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boards, and commissions:

Divisions:

Division of Aquatic Resources
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Division of Boating and Ocean Recreation
Ed Underwood, Administrator
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Division of Conservation and Resource
Enforcement
Gary Moniz, Administrator

Division of Forestry and Wildlife
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Sam Lemmo, Administrator

Division of State Parks
Daniel Quinn, Administrator

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Commission
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Division of Forestry and Wildlife
Department of Land & Natural Resources
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Environmental Job Description:
Environmental Coordinator. Facilitates exchange of information between the University community system-wide and government or private sector entities. Implements Environmental Studies Degree and Certificate programs. Conducts and coordinates environmental research. Reviews Environmental Impact Statements and other environmental documents, and serves in multiple environmental advisory capacities.

Pro bono Opportunities: Available.
Pro bono Description: Research and writing on the above.
Potential Non-legal Positions: The Center occasionally has paid, part-time positions available to students.

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Public Utilities Commission
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Pro Bono Opportunities:  Available.
Pro Bono Description:  Issues involving
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shoreline permits.
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Counsel

Alumni Employed by Organization:
Madelyn S. D’Enbeau, ‘77

ELP Alumni Contact:
Paul Herran, ’05 (now at City and County of
Honolulu)

Internship Opportunities: 6 Week summer
intern program open to all law students.
Check the website for announcements and
more information.
CORPORATIONS AND CONSULTING FIRMS

AMEC EARTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL
3375 Koapaka St. Ste. F251
Honolulu, HI 96819

Contact Person: Eric Wetzstein, Honolulu Operations Manager
Email Address: eric.wetzstein@amec.com
Phone: (808) 545-2462, ext. 104
Fax: (808) 528-5379
www.Amec.com

Environmental Job Description: State and federal environmental engineering projects and some litigation support.
Pro bono opportunities: Possible. Federal environmental statutory research needed to assist with environmental engineering projects.
Externship opportunities: Possible.

BEI HAWAII
311B Pacific Street
Honolulu, HI 96817

Contact Person: Kevin Kennedy, President
E-mail Address: k kennedy@beihawaii.com
Phone: (808) 535-6055
Fax: (808) 535-6053
Web Address: www.beihawaii.com

Environmental Job Description:
Environmental consulting and engineering. Expert witness (environmental) and litigation expert (environmental).
Pro bono Opportunities: Possible work as summer intern.
Externship Opportunities:
Possible. Externship Description: Assist on environmental site investigations, data gathering and compilation, report preparation, fieldwork assistance.
ELP Alumni Contact:
Ranae Doser-Pascual, ‘05
CH2M HILL
1132 Bishop Street, Suite 1100
Honolulu, HI 96813

Contact Person: Paul Luersen, Hawaii Area Manager
E-mail Address: pluersen@ch2m.com
Phone: (808) 943-7135 ext. 201
Fax: (808) 954-4400
Web Address: www.ch2mhill.com

Environmental Job Description: One or two environmental scientist/engineer positions per year to support environmental site investigations, planning, permitting and remediation. Minimum experience: two to three years of environmental science/engineering related undergraduate course work.

Pro bono Opportunities: None in particular, though perhaps there may be opportunities in the future.

Externship Opportunities: Potentially available.

Externship Description: Nature of the work would be for EIS, EA, and permitting related projects.

DAWSON GROUP, INC.
3375 Koapaka Street, Suite B200
Honolulu, HI 96819

Contact Person: Beadie Kanahele Dawson, CEO/General Counsel
E-mail Address: bdl@dawson8a.com
Phone: (808) 536-5500
Fax: (808) 536-5530
Alumni Employed by Organization: Beadie Kanahele Dawson, ‘81

EARTH TECH, INC.
841 Bishop Street
Suite 500
Honolulu, HI 96813

Contact Person: Jack Bennett, Esq., Project Professional
E-mail Address: bennettj001@hawaii.rr.com
Phone: (808) 523-8874
Fax: (808) 523-8950
Web Address: www.earthtech.com

Environmental Job Description: Ensure regulatory compliance with various environmental laws (CERCLA, RCRA, SDWA, ESA) during environmental remediation projects throughout the Pacific. These projects require community involvement and frequent and close coordination with US EPA and local environmental regulators.

Pro bono Opportunities: None available.

Externship Opportunities: Available.

Externship Description: Summer and part-time externship opportunities to perform environmental restoration work may be available on a limited basis.

ELP Alumni Employed by Organization: Jack Bennett, ‘97
ENPRO
629 Kailua Road
Kailua, HI 96734

Contact Person: Randy Herold, President
E-mail Address: randy@gotoenpro.com
Phone: (808) 262-0909
Fax: (808) 262-4449
Web Address: http://www.enproenvironmental.com

Environmental Job Description:
Interdisciplinary environmental projects and consulting, including: investigation, assessment, management, recommendations and reports, laboratory analysis, and expert witness services.

Pro bono Opportunities: Available.
Pro bono Description: Case review, trademark work, internet usage, etc.
Externship Opportunities: Available.
Externship Description: Same as Pro bono Description.

INALAB
3615 Harding Avenue, Suite 308
Honolulu, HI 96816

Contact person: Dr. Mark Hagadone, President
E-mail Address: mark_hagadone@msn.com
Phone: (808) 735-0422
Fax: (808) 735-0047
Website Address: www.inalab.com

Pro bono Opportunities: Available.
Pro bono Description: Development of a non-profit foundation to perform drug efficacy testing of pharmaceuticals being provided to sick children in third world/developing countries.
Externship Opportunities: Available
Externship Description: Assistance in providing research and source documents regarding EIS for large Department of Defense development projects. There are also paid opportunities available to conduct this work.

HAWAIIAN ELECTRIC COMPANY, INC.
900 Richards Street
Honolulu, HI 96813

Contact Person: Steve Oppenheimer, Esq. (ELP Adjunct Professor)
E-mail Address: steve.oppenheimer@yahoo.com
Web Address: http://www.heco.com
Contact: Cameron Black, ’08 (Nishioka Fellowship Summer 2007)

PARSONS BRINCKERHOFF QUADE & DOUGLAS, INC.
Pacific Tower, Suite 3000
1001 Bishop Street
Honolulu, HI 96813

Contact Person: David Atkin
E-mail Address: atkin@pbworld.com
Phone: (808) 566-2205
Fax: (808) 528-2368

Environmental Job Description:
A civil engineering company with an environmental planning department, no environmental law per se.
ENVIROMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS

ALA WAI WATERSHED ASSOCIATION
2535 South King Street, #303
Honolulu, HI 96826

Contact Person: Karen Ah Mai, Executive Director
E-mail Address: awwa@alawaiwatershed.org
Phone: (808) 955-7882
Fax: (808) 955-7329
Web Address: www.alawaiwatershed.org

Pro bono Opportunities: Available.
Pro bono Description: This organization requests assistance with 1) a brief on property rights, rules, and regulations along streams; 2) status of access to public recreational areas, including liability of users and volunteers; and 3) how the Public Trust doctrine could be used in watershed restoration.

COMMUNITY CONSERVATION NETWORK
212 Merchant Street, Suite 200
Honolulu, HI 96813

Contact Person: Debbie Gowensmith
E-mail Address: info@conservationpractice.org
Phone: (808) 528-3700
Fax: (808) 528-3701
Web Address: www.conservationpractice.org

CONSERVATION COUNCIL FOR HAWAI’I
250 Ward Avenue, Suite 212
Honolulu, HI 96814

Contact Person: Marjorie Ziegler, Executive Director
Phone: (808) 593-0255
Fax: (808) 593-0255
Web Address: www.conservation-hawaii.org

HAWAI’I AUDUBON SOCIETY – PACIFIC FISHERIES COALITION
815 Pahumele Place
Kailua, HI 96734

Contact Person: Linda Paul, Esq.
Phone: (808) 262-6859
Fax: (808) 263-7728
E-mail Address: linpaul@aloha.net
Website: http://westpacfisheries.net

Environmental Job Description: Marine resource policy – advocacy and education.
ELP Alumni Employed by Organization: Linda Paul, ’90 (linpaul@aloha.net)

MAUI COASTAL LAND TRUST
P.O. Box 965
2371 Vineyard St.
Wailuku, HI 96793

Contact: Dale B. Bonar, Executive Director (dale@mauicoastallandtrust.org)

Phone: 808-244-LAND (5263)
Fax: 808-242-4741
Website: www.mauicoastallandtrust.org
KAHEA
P.O. Box 27112
Honolulu, HI 96827

Contact Person: Martha Townsend,
Interim Director
E-mail Address: kahea-alliance@hawaii.rr.com
Phone: (808) 524-8220
Fax: (808) 524-8221
Web Address: www.kahea.org

Environmental Job Description: Legal and other research, drafting reports, assessing information, implementing strategy, compiling education materials and other tasks as needed to achieve goals.

Pro bono Opportunities/ Externship Opportunities: Assist in campaign to defend protections for the Northwestern Hawaiian Islands (federal and state process). Secure regulations for cruise ships operating in Hawaii.

ELP Alumni Employed by Organization:
Martha Marie Townsend, ’05

NORTH SHORE COMMUNITY LAND TRUST
PO Box 1179
Haleiwa, HI 96712

Contact Person: Blake McElheny,
Executive Director
Phone: (808) 638-0338
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Web Address: http://www.northshoreland.org/

ELP Alumni Employed by Organization:
Blake McElheny, ‘99

Student Contact:
Grant Arnold, ’07 (Summer 2005)
(kabagrant@yahoo.com)

Environmental Job Description: Acquire and protects land on North Shore, Oahu, for its open space value, including Pupukea-Paumalu acquisition.

HAWAI‘I’S THOUSAND FRIENDS
305 Hahani Street PMB 282
Kailua, Hawai‘i 96734

Contact Person: Donna Wong,
Executive Director
E-mail Address: htf@lava.net
Phone: (808) 262-0682
Fax: (808) 262-0682
Web Address: http://www.hawaiis1000friends.org/

Environmental Job Description: Advocate for planning, management, and land use decisions that protect Hawai‘i’s environment, human health, culture and natural resources.

TRUST FOR PUBLIC LAND,
HAWAI‘I FIELD OFFICE
212 Merchant Street
Honolulu, HI 96813

Contact Person: Lea Hong, Esq., Director
(ELP Adjunct Professor)
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Web Address: www.tpl.org

ELP Student Contact:
Sunny Greer, ’09 (Summer ’07)

Environmental Job Description: TPL is a land conservation organization that helps preserve land for people. Our small Hawai‘i office works with local land trusts, the counties, the state and the federal government providing transaction expertise.

ELP Alumni Employed by Organization:
Lea Hong, ‘91
HAWAII ISLAND LAND TRUST
PO Box 976
Kealakekua, HI 96750-0976

Phone: (808) 324-4458
E-Mail: info@HawaiiLandTrust.org
Website: www.hawaiilandtrust.com

SIERRA CLUB, HAWAII CHAPTER
P.O. Box 2577
Honolulu, HI 96803

Contact Person: Jeff Mikulina,
Executive Director
E-mail Address: hawaii.chapter@sierraclub.org
Phone: (808) 538-6616
Fax: (808) 537-9019
Web Address: www.hawaii.sierraclub.org

Environmental Job Description: All aspects of environmental law.
Pro bono Opportunities: Available.
Pro bono Description: Assistance with agency contested cases. Lobbying research and assistance.
Externship Opportunities: Available.
Externship Description: Everything, particularly compliance/enforcement issues.
ELP Student Contact: Laura Edmunds, ’07
(lauraedmunds@gmail.com)

KAUAI PUBLIC LAND TRUST
PO Box 562
Kilauea, Kauai, HI 96754

Contact: Gary Blaich, President
Website: http://www.kauaipubliclandtrust.org/

THE NATURE CONSERVANCY OF HAWAII
923 Nuuanu Ave.
Honolulu, HI 96817

Contact Person: Melinda Ching, Esq.
(former ELP Adjunct Professor)
E-mail Address: mching@tnc.org
Phone: (808) 587-6228
Fax: (808) 545-2019

Environmental Job Description: Contracts, real estate transactions, and general corporate work for non-profit conservation programs in Hawaii, Indonesia, Palau, Papua New Guinea, Pohnpei, and the Solomon Islands.
Pro bono Opportunities: Available.
Pro bono Description: We are always happy to have Pro bono assistance. Our work is transactional (no litigation). Assignments focus on drafting, real estate, corporate contractual documents, and legal research. Students can be located in our Honolulu office.
Externship Opportunities: Available.
Externship Description: See Pro bono above. We generally have 1-2 law students per semester working with us on externships.
Other Contact Information: Please call (808) 537-4508, ext. 512 (employment hotline) or call (703) 247-3721, Arlington, VA

MAUI TOMMORROW
PO Box 299
Makawao, HI 96768

Contact: Irene Bowie, Executive Director
Phone: 808.268.0303
(director@maui-tomorrow.org)
Website: http://www.maui-tomorrow.org/
LIFE OF THE LAND
76 North King Street, Suite 203
Honolulu, Hawaii 96817

Executive Director: Henry Curtis,
(henry.lifeoftheland@gmail.com)
Assistant Executive Director: Kat Brady,
(katbrady@hotmail.com)

Website: http://www.lifeofthelandhawaii.org/

Description: Life of the Land is a Hawaii-based, Hawaii-focused environmental and community action group. Founded in 1970, the mission of Life of the Land is to preserve and protect the life of the land through sustainable land use and energy policies and to promote open government through research, education, advocacy and, when necessary, litigation. We believe that people are part of the environment. We are known for research, research, research. We cover complex issues such as genetic engineering, climate change, and quality of life issues.
OTHER CAREER RESOURCES

DIRECTORY OF PUBLIC INTEREST ENVIRONMENTAL LAWYERS
Land Air Water
Environmental Research Group
University of Oregon
School of Law
Eugene, OR 97403
On file in ELP Library at William S. Richardson School of Law

ENVIRONMENTAL LAW CAREERS DIRECTORY
Ecology Law Quarterly
Boalt Hall School of Law
University of California
Berkeley, CA 94720
On file in ELP Library at William S. Richardson School of Law

MALAMA HAWAI'I
To get on the mailing list for announcements on Hawaii environmental jobs, events, and news contact
webmaster@malamahawaii.org

NATURAL RESOURCES SECTION, HAWAII STATE BAR ASSOCIATION
Section holds monthly speaker meetings; no dues; open to students. Contact 2007 Chair Robert Harris (rdh@hawaiilawyer.com)
OUT-OF-STATE PUBLIC INTEREST LAW FIRMS AND LEGAL ORGANIZATIONS

INTERNATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR INDIGENOUS RESOURCE MANAGEMENT
464 South Emerson Street
Denver, CO 80209-2216

Contact Person: Mervyn L. Tano, Esq., President
Phone: (303) 733-0481
Fax: (303) 744-9808
E-mail address: mervtano@iiirm.org
Web Address: www.iiirm.org

Environmental Job Description: IIIRM is a law and policy research institute that works on environmental protection and natural resource management issues important to native peoples.

ELP Student Contact:
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Koa Kaulukukui, ’06 (koalani@hawaii.edu)

THE KEYSTONE CENTER
1628 St. John’s Road
Keystone, CO 80435

Contact Person: Peter Adler, President
E-mail Address: padler@aloha.net
Phone: (808) 941-9485

Environmental Job Description:
Mediation, facilitation, and planning on natural resource and environmental matters

Pro bono Opportunities: Available.

Pro bono Description: Sometimes available when parties cannot afford assistance

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
Environmental and Natural Resources Division
950 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20530-0001

Contact Person: Paul D. Tanaka, Trial Attorney, Environmental Defense Section
Phone: (202) 514-0995
E-mail: paul.tanaka@usdoj.gov

Pro bono Opportunities: Opportunities are available with the Department’s Management Offices, Litigation Divisions and Offices, Legal and Policy Offices, and Investigatory and Law Enforcement Offices; and at U.S. Attorneys’ Offices around the country.

Externship Opportunities: The Summer Law Intern Program (SLIP) and the Attorney General’s Honors Program (Honors Program).

Externship Description: The SLIP is highly competitive. The majority of students applying for the SLIP are in the second year of law school. The Honors Program is the Department’s recruitment program for entry-level attorneys and is the only way the Department hires graduating law students.

ELP Alumni Employed by Organization:
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Ammie Roseman-Orr, ’99 (Ammie.Roseman-Orr@usdoj.gov)