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Hastings Civil Justice Clinic Teaching Fellowship

The Hastings Civil Justice Clinic seeks applications for a new two-year clinical teaching fellowship program. The fellowship is designed for lawyers with preferably at least five years of outstanding legal practice experience, who are interested in preparing for a career in law school clinical teaching. One fellow will be selected for a full-time position beginning June 1, 2007 and ending June 30, 2009.

The Civil Justice Clinic consists of four different clinics with accompanying seminars. The permanent staff includes six full-time clinical faculty members. The clinical fellow's responsibility will be as a co-teacher and supervising attorney in the Individual Representation Clinic. In this one-semester clinic, which is offered each term, students act as lead counsel, under careful faculty supervision, to take cases start-to-finish from the planning of an initial client interview to their culmination in a trial, administrative hearing, or settlement. The Individual Representation Clinic practices in three different subject fields: wage & hour law, social security disability law, and San Francisco rent control law. The other clinics within the Civil Justice Clinic are the Group Advocacy and Systemic Reform Clinic, the Community Economic Development Clinic, and the Mediation Clinic. The Hastings Civil Justice Clinic is widely respected for its high quality representation of clients and its pedagogy, which closely integrates hands-on legal practice experiences and extensive readings, written assignments, and classroom discussions on legal skills development and professional role conceptions.

Hastings College of the Law is part of the University of California. It has a large and vibrant clinical education program that takes advantage of its location in San Francisco's Civic Center and abutting the Tenderloin, a diverse, low-income neighborhood. In addition to the Civil Justice Clinic, Hastings has a separate in-house Refugee and Human Rights Clinic; out-placement clinics in Criminal Practice, Environmental Law, Immigrants' Rights, Local Government Law, Workers' Rights, and State Legislation; an extensive judicial externship program; and a large number of simulation skills courses in negotiation, mediation, roles and ethics, problem solving and professional judgment, contract drafting, trial advocacy, trial objections, and appellate advocacy. Altogether 19 members of Hastings full-time faculty and numerous adjuncts teach real-client clinics or simulation-based clinical courses.

Fellowship requirements: At least five years of legal experience in client counseling, advocacy, and litigation, as well as experience in or aptitude for supervising and teaching law students (or, if less than five years lawyering experience, exceptional training and experience in supervising or teaching students or other colleagues); California Bar admission; strong written and oral skills; considerable initiative; a collegial disposition; and a demonstrated commitment to public interest or pro bono lawyering.

Fellowship salary and benefits: Salary range of \$50,000 to \$60,000 annually depending on experience; excellent University of California medical, vacation, and other fringe benefits; and full access to all law school facilities.

Application procedure and materials: Please send to Professor Mark Aaronson, the Director of the Hastings Civil Justice Clinic, a cover letter describing your prior legal, teaching, and other relevant experience; your aspirations regarding clinical teaching; and any other information relevant for assessing your potential as a clinical teacher and supervising attorney. In addition, you must include a detailed resume and a sample of your advocacy writing of up to 10 pages.

The deadline for submitting applications is February 28, 2007. The address for hard copies is Hastings Civil Justice Clinic, 100 McAllister St., Suite 300, San Francisco, CA 94102. Electronic copies should be sent c/o Karen Amaya at <amayak@uchastings.edu> with “CJC Clinical Teaching Fellowship” on the subject line.

UC Hastings is an Equal Opportunity Employer. All qualified persons including people of color, women, individuals with disabilities, and LGBTQ persons are encouraged to apply. The Hastings Civil Justice Clinic is committed to diversity in the workplace.