

## FELLOWSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

### Recent Law-School Graduates and Third-Year Law Students

American Civil Liberties Union Foundation, NY

The American Civil Liberties Union Foundation (ACLU) invites applications for the Marvin M. Karpatkin Fellowship in Civil Liberties beginning in September 2007.

The Fellowship was established by the ACLU Board of Directors in memory of Marvin M. Karpatkin, the late General Counsel of the American Civil Liberties Union, who died in January 1975, at the age of 48. Mr. Karpatkin was one of the ACLU's most active attorneys during the 1960s and early 1970s. He left his special mark in the areas of selective service and military law. His interest in those areas grew out of his own strong opposition to the Vietnam War and his desire to help those who, younger than himself, were faced with performing military service in a war they would not support.

### JOB DESCRIPTION:

The Karpatkin Fellow will work full time for one year in the Racial Justice Program of the national office of the American Civil Liberties Union in New York City. The Fellow will work on a range of civil liberties issues with a primary focus on racial justice. Among other issues, the docket of the ACLU's Racial Justice Program includes civil challenges to the inadequate provision of indigent criminal defense, racial profiling, disparate educational opportunities and disproportionate imposition of school discipline, juvenile justice, and healthcare. The ACLU is also deeply engaged in issues of civil liberties and security after 9/11, and the Fellow may be involved in these issues, particularly as they intersect with racial justice initiatives.

The Karpatkin Fellow functions as part of the ACLU's litigation team and, depending on need, may be asked to: provide legal research and analysis; develop theories to support new litigation projects; draft pleadings, affidavits, motions, and briefs; interview witnesses and potential plaintiffs; participate in discovery and trial practice; provide support and assistance to ACLU affiliates and cooperating attorneys; and supervise student interns. The Fellow also may be asked to do some public speaking and attend meetings or conferences.

### QUALIFICATIONS:

Applicants must have a demonstrated commitment to public interest law, and excellent research, writing and communication skills. Applicants should be self-motivated, hard working, and have the proven ability to work with a wide range of people. Third-year law students and recent graduates are

invited to apply.

**SALARY AND BENEFITS:**

Salary is based on the ACLU salary scale; salaries begin in the low \$50's. Excellent medical and dental benefits are provided.

**APPLICATIONS:**

Applicants should send a letter, resume, two letters of recommendation and at least one legal writing sample to:

Human Resources  
RE: Karpatkin Fellowship  
American Civil Liberties Union  
125 Broad Street, 18th Floor  
New York, N.Y. 10004

Applications will be accepted beginning on October 2, 2006, and reviewed on a rolling basis until the position is filled, but no later than November 30, 2006. Please indicate in your cover letter where you found this opportunity posted.

The ACLU is an equal opportunity/affirmative action employer and encourages applications from women, people of color, persons with disabilities, and lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender individuals.

The ACLU comprises two separate corporate entities, the American Civil Liberties Union and the ACLU Foundation. Both the American Civil Liberties Union and the ACLU Foundation are national organizations with the same overall mission, and share office space and employees. The ACLU has two separate corporate entities in order to do a broad range of work to protect civil liberties. This job posting refers collectively to the two organizations under the name "ACLU."