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Summer 2014 Legal Internship Opportunity at the Office of Consumer Counsel

The Office of Consumer Counsel (OCC) is offering an exciting opportunity for a law student to intern this summer at our dynamic and fast-paced office, working on timely and exciting energy and utility issues. OCC is an independent state agency with statutory responsibility to represent customers of Connecticut's five regulated utilities – electric, gas, water, telephone, and to some extent, cable television, primarily in matters that go before the Public Utilities Regulatory Authority (PURA). The OCC is authorized to participate on behalf of consumer interests in all administrative and judicial forums and in any matters in which the interests of consumers with respect to public utility matters may be involved. The Office consists of attorneys, accountants, financial analysts, and support staff.

The OCC Summer Legal Intern will be expected to conduct legal research and writing assignments to support OCC's attorneys in their preparation for administrative hearings before PURA and administrative appeals at all court levels. The OCC Summer Legal Intern will also be expected to support OCC staff in their participation on state boards, other regional initiatives, in other policy work on energy and utility matters, and in OCC's outreach and social media efforts. In addition, the OCC Summer Legal Intern will have the opportunity to attend administrative hearings before PURA, court proceedings, and other meetings that OCC staff may attend.

The internship, which can be either part-time or full-time, is an unpaid, volunteer position open to law students who have not yet passed a state bar examination. The accepted intern may arrange for an externship with his or her law school for course credit for work at OCC. Applicants should demonstrate an interest in administrative law and energy and utility law, be able to communicate clearly, and have strong research and writing skills. Applicants must submit, via e-mail or mail, (1) a cover letter, (2) resume, and (3) writing sample of five pages (an excerpt is acceptable). References may be requested at the time of interview. Applications will be accepted until March 31, 2014. Please submit applications and direct questions to:

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