



Brooklyn Legal Services Corporation A  
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**Brooklyn Legal Services Corporation A (BROOKLYN A)  
2018 Summer Law Student Internship Opportunities:  
Community & Economic Development Program**

**BROOKLYN A's mission is to advance social and economic justice by empowering communities through innovative, collaborative, neighborhood-based legal representation and advocacy.** For over 49 years, we have provided high-quality legal assistance to individuals, families, not-for-profit community-based organizations (CBOs), community development corporations (CDCs), and coalitions interested in developing and sustaining vibrant, healthy communities.

The Community & Economic Development (CED) Program seeks law student interns who are interested in working with us during the Summer of 2018 to provide critical transactional legal support to nonprofit community based organizations (CBOs) and small businesses serving low-income communities primarily based in Brooklyn, but also throughout New York City.

Through our CED Program, BROOKLYN A partners with and provides transactional legal services to dozens of effective CBOs each year that have a demonstrated commitment to our common goal of social and economic justice. Providing consistent legal counsel is a critical element to the neighborhood-based and controlled community economic development process. BROOKLYN A's nonprofit clients have over the years developed thousands of units of affordable housing, provided hundreds of thousands of low-income individuals with essential primary and specialty health and dental care, provided child care and youth development services to children from infancy through college, and generally advocate for the rights of the communities they serve. CED Program attorneys work both as in-house and special project counsel, offering CBO clients ongoing, long-term representation. The CED Program also represents small businesses in transactional legal matters connected to commercial leases through its Small Business Support Project.

The CED Program's legal work involves, but is not limited to:

- Corporate formation and governance
- Real estate, including pre-development coordination, title and loan closings and commercial leases
- The drafting and negotiation of contracts
- Financing (public and private)
- Representation and negotiations with governmental authorities
- Employee relations

Applications will be accepted and processed on a rolling basis. Summer 2018 internships will likely begin in late May. Interns will be expected to work 40 hours per week for a minimum of ten weeks. Positions are not paid.

Applications will be accepted by e-mail only, directed to [internships@bka.org](mailto:internships@bka.org), and should include a cover letter, resume, unofficial law school transcript, and brief writing sample. Please write "Summer 2018 CED Application" in the subject line of the e-mail. Due to the volume of applications we receive, we are not able to respond to every application submitted. Applicants who are selected for an interview will be notified by e-mail.

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