



*Make a difference...*

# Legal Aid of North Carolina

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*Martin Luther King, Jr.*

# Summer Internships



## What Interns Are Saying....



*"I cannot say enough good things about my MLK experience. My supervisors were great, and I learned the law and litigation skills by representing clients in a number and variety of hearings. The best part of the internship was the camaraderie with colleagues and the level of client interaction, both of which most likely surpassed anything my school mates experienced in their internships or even their first years of practice."*

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*"Having the opportunity to serve at LANC as an MLK Intern was extremely rewarding. I was given the opportunity to represent clients in administrative hearings; to prepare pleadings; to interact with both clients and opposing counsel; and to receive thoughtful feedback and guidance from my future colleagues."*

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*"Prior to my MLK experience I was convinced that I did not want to practice law, but the MLK experience changed all of that. The experience not only showed me that I could make a difference by practicing law, but started me on an exceptionally rewarding career path as a LANC attorney. The training, personal fulfillment, and experience I gained as an MLK could not have been matched anywhere else."*

## Martin Luther King, Jr. Summer Internships

**Martin Luther King, Jr. Summer Internships** are awarded to current law students who want to gain experience working in a public interest setting and do more than just legal research. MLK Summer Interns typically experience client contact, courtroom participation and legal research and writing on actual cases under the supervision of seasoned legal aid attorneys. Law students selected for the internship will work in designated LANC offices for ten (10) weeks during the summer.

Each year, Legal Aid of North Carolina (LANC) awards 22-26 paid internships. MLK Summer Interns are typically placed in each of the following field offices: Ahoskie, Charlotte, Concord, Durham, Fayetteville, Gastonia, Greensboro, Greenville, Morganton, New Bern, Pembroke, Pittsboro, Raleigh, Sylva, Wilmington, Wilson and Winston-Salem; local medical-legal partnerships in Durham, Greensboro and Winston-Salem; and in LANC's statewide projects: Advocates for Children's Services (Durham), Senior Law Project (Asheville), Mortgage Foreclosure Project (Raleigh); Battered Immigrant Project (Charlotte and Raleigh), and the Farmworker Unit (Raleigh). Fluency in Spanish is preferred for interns placed with the Battered Immigrant Project and the Farmworker Unit.

The MLK Summer Internships offer unique situations through which one might better understand the special legal issues facing people who live in poverty and low-income communities. MLK interns are challenged to put classroom training and talent to work on behalf of the many needy individuals that LANC serves and to work creatively to reduce the barriers to a more just society. Each MLK intern is treated as a valuable member of the legal staff and is expected to participate in case strategy and contribute to overall case management. MLK Summer Interns also receive general hiring preference when Legal Aid of North Carolina recruits new attorneys.

## About the Application Process

### *MLK Summer Internships*

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LANC conducts on-campus interviews (OCI) at a limited number of law schools and resume collection in the Fall. Second-year law students (2L's) interested in applying for one of the MLK Internship positions should upload a resume, a cover letter (expressing interest and location preference) and a writing sample (no more than 10 pages) in accordance with their school's OCI or resume collection protocol.

LANC also typically attends the Equal Justice Work Career (EJW) Fair in October. Students attending the career fair should follow the EJW protocol.

Applicants may apply at their school's career services office, at the career fair or directly to LANC; however applications will be accepted as positions remain (open until filled).

Send a cover letter (expressing your interest and location preferences), your resume and a writing sample (10 pages or less) by **October 30** to:

MLK Summer Internships  
Legal Aid of North Carolina  
P.O. Box 26087  
Raleigh, NC 27611

Regrettably, LANC is unable to acknowledge receipt of applications for any of the MLK Summer Internship Program and will not consider applications without all requested materials. LANC will contact only those applicants selected for an interview. Please no phone calls.

*Legal Aid of North Carolina is an equal opportunity employer.  
Minorities, women, the elderly and the disabled are encouraged to apply.*