

Seeking Applicants for 2025-2027 Equal Justice Works Fellowship!

The Northwest Consumer Law Center seeks applicants to work with us to develop an application for a 2025-2027 Equal Justice Works Fellowship. Because of the time needed to develop a strong application, you are strongly encouraged to apply as soon as possible. *Applications will be reviewed as received.*

What is the Northwest Consumer Law Center?

We envision a world where there is justice for all, regardless of income.

To achieve that vision, we are committed to fighting corporate abuse and civil inequities in Washington's legal system. Through direct representation and litigation, NWCLC helps thousands of families avoid financial devastation. We also advise consumer lawyers, write amicus briefs, host a pro-se bankruptcy clinic, offer webinars, and serve as consumer justice advocates.

Why join our team?

We're a young and nimble organization that has an impact larger than our size – reaching a population that often falls through the justice gap. Our staff and board have the opportunity to help shape the direction of the organization, the issues we tackle, and the way we grow.

We are on the front lines of legislative advocacy, teaming up with legislators and political leaders at the local, state, and national levels. Our victories and hard work continue to help Washingtonians. We already had an exciting and impactful victory when Governor Inslee signed SB 5408 into law, raising the homestead exemption to the county median sale price and helping keep people in their homes during tough times.

What is an Equal Justice Works Fellowship?

It is a 24-month, full-time attorney position for early-career public service attorneys. Equal Justice Works fellowships address unmet legal needs in their communities by developing innovative legal projects. You are hosted by a nonprofit organization to carry out the work of the project. Equal Justice Works selects fellows for funding, not NWCLC. You can learn more about [Equal Justice Works fellowships here](#).

The Opportunity

We are looking for one applicant to work with us to develop a fellowship application focus on the unmet consumer needs of **veterans, service members, and their families in Washington**. We envision a project that:

- Represents members of the military and veteran community in consumer law cases across Washington, in partnership with legal aid, government, and nonprofit partners across the state
- Provides educational programming regarding consumer law issues to potential clients, attorneys, and community partners to improve access to justice for under-served veteran and military populations, including (but not limited to) rural veterans, veterans of color, homeless veterans, and active duty military service members
- Build a strong pro bono program in partnership with your fellowship sponsors and law firms in Washington

- Engages in policy advocacy efforts to improve the consumer rights of veterans, service members, and their families in Washington

However, we want to hear from you about what you see as the needs of veterans, service members, and their families in Washington and what project **you** would want to work on. Please email amanda@nwclc.org with a cover letter describing your background and history with the military and veteran community and/or consumer law (including lived experience, and any ideas you have for a project. Please review the [Equal Justice Works applicant guide](#) prior to reaching out.

Qualifications:

Equal Justice Works is for early-career public service attorneys. Eligibility:

- You must have graduated from an Equal Justice Works Member Law School before September 2025 with a J.D. or LL.M.
- You must not have previously held a full-time (more than 30 hours/ week), permanent, public interest lawyer position, though applicants coming from bridge/gap fellowships or clerkships are eligible.
 - o Experienced private sector lawyers who have demonstrated a commitment to public interest law and have the relevant skills and initiative to carry out the goals of the project are encouraged to apply.
- Candidates may not have participated previously in any major fellowship program such as the Skadden Fellowship Program, Echoing Green Fellowship, Soros Justice Fellowship, Justice Catalyst Fellowship and Immigrant Justice Corps Fellowship

Additionally, NWCLC attorneys are required to be barred in Washington; please confirm that you are planning to be barred in WA in your cover letter.

NWCLC pays on a competitive salary scale, commensurate with years of experience. Compensation based on experience for this position will range between \$72,500 and \$83,000 annually. This position is based in Seattle with a flex remote/in-office policy. Benefits include 15 days of PTO, paid sick leave, paid federal holidays, and paid medical/dental insurance after a 60 day probation period.

Equal Justice Works provides assistance with loan repayment, as well as significant opportunities for professional development.

Equal Opportunity Employer:

All qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, gender, gender identity or expression, sexual orientation, national origin, genetics, disability, age, or veteran status.