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# Job Description – 1L Law Student Intern

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A 1L Law Intern will work with Deputy District Attorneys who handle traffic offenses, misdemeanor crimes, petitions to seal records, and appeals.

## Key Responsibilities:

- > Participate in plea negotiations on cases with attorneys and pro se defendants.
- $\succ$  Legal research.
- $\succ$  Writing memos.
- Drafting motions and motion responses.
- > Drafting appellate briefs.
- File maintenance.

### **Qualifications:**

- ➢ Be a currently enrolled law student.
- > Basic knowledge of the criminal justice system and a genuine interest in criminal law.
- Good communication skills.
- ➢ Motivated to work and learn.
- > Be able to work quickly and pay attention to detail.
- ▶ Familiarity and skill in legal research using Westlaw.

### Supervision: Chief Deputy District Attorney

### **Training and Support:**

- New hire orientation.
- On-the-job training and on-going support is done by Deputy District Attorneys and the direct supervisor.
- County Court Manual.

### **Time Commitment:**

- > **During the fall and spring semesters**, Full or Part time hours are acceptable. Interns who work part time are asked to commit to working half days with a consistent schedule.
- During the summer semester, interns typically work Full time (40 hours per week). Part time hours can be accommodated with a commitment to work <u>FULL</u> days and with a consistent schedule.

### **Benefits:**

- ▶ Will study the actual practice of law under the supervision of a licensed attorney.
- ▶ Will gain a greater understanding of the internal workings of the criminal justice system.
- > Will have further refined valuable research and legal skills that can be carried into the future.
- ▶ Will gain experience in legal writing and argument in the context of actual criminal cases.