



Legal Internship/Externship

Government Accountability Project is the nation's leading whistleblower protection and advocacy organization. Our mission is to promote corporate and government accountability by protecting whistleblowers, advancing free speech, and empowering citizen activists. Located in Washington, D.C., Government Accountability Project is a nonpartisan, nonprofit organization.

Government Accountability Project consistently works with high-profile whistleblowers, with its recent and former clients including:

- NSA contractor Edward Snowden who disclosed illegal domestic surveillance programs that were implemented under the guise of national security.
- Robert MacLean, a former DHS Air Marshal, who was fired for revealing a plan to remove Marshals from international flights despite heightened security concerns.
- Dr. Dean Wyatt, a USDA veterinarian who exposed the horrific mistreatment of animals in two slaughterhouses, indicating a systemic problem in the national food safety system.
- Several anonymous World Bank whistleblowers whose disclosures (among others) Government Accountability Project released, eventually leading to the resignation of Bank President Paul Wolfowitz.

Government Accountability Project offers rolling legal internships to qualified individuals at its Washington, D.C. office. This position is open to graduate students who will take on varying levels of responsibility depending on their background in law, policy and general experience.

Primary job responsibilities for this position include:

- Drafting affidavits, complaints, and FOIA requests;
- Conducting whistleblower intake interviews;
- Researching and writing blogs for Government Accountability Project's website;
- Observing hearings and legal proceedings;
- Performing administrative tasks on an as-needed basis.

Applicants should have strong legal research and analysis skills and experience with legal writing. Applicants should also be able to prosper in an independent work environment and require minimal supervision.

Students must have a laptop computer to work from for the entire duration of the internship. The exact dates and hours for this internship are flexible. Please submit a cover letter and resume to Katrina Meyer, Intern Coordinator, at KatrinaM@whistleblower.org with the internship title in the subject line.