NYU PUBLIC INTEREST LAW FOUNDATION APPLICATION FOR STUDENT GRANTS

APPLICATION DEADLINE: FRIDAY, MARCH 7, 2014 AT 5 PM

The NYU Public Interest Law Foundation (PILF) is pleased to invite you to apply for a \$500-\$750 grant to support your not-for-credit, public interest term-time internship. PILF is an independent, student-run nonprofit organization that provides funding to students working in public interest during the semester.

REQUIREMENTS AND SELECTION CRITERIA

- 1. PILF is a wholly student-run nonprofit organization. All grantees are expected to serve on the PILF Board during the remainder of their law school careers. Capacity to serve on the Board will be taken into account in the funding decisions.
- 2. All J.D. and L.L.M candidates who are not recipients of major NYU public service scholarships (e.g. Root-Tilden-Kern) are eligible to receive funding. Academic record is not considered as part of the selection criteria.
- 3. Grant recipients must work at least 100 hours for a public-interest organization (nonprofit, government etc.) over the course of the semester. Grants are dispersed in two equal installments at the beginning and end of the internship. Before receiving the second installment, each recipient must complete a brief report.
- 4. All forms of law-related public interest work are eligible for funding, including direct services, research and writing, community education, policy advocacy, and the like. Internships that address the needs of underserved individuals or groups are especially welcomed. Also explicitly encouraged are internships with smaller organizations where student involvement has the potential for great impact.
- 5. PILF does not discriminate on the basis of race, creed, national origin, gender, handicap, or sexual orientation.

APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

The student grant application consists of two parts:

- 1. A written proposal that includes the following (no more than three pages, double-spaced):
 - a. A **project description**, including: the name of the organization; the name and title of your supervisor; a specific statement of project significance, objectives, legal issues, and work plan; and your interest in the project. Also briefly discuss your commitment to public interest work and career goals.
 - b. A short statement on how you **expect to contribute** to PILF as a future Board Member. Please refer to the PILF website for more information on what PILF does.
 - c. Any **additional information** you would like the PILF Board to consider.
- 2. A one-page **resume**. Please list any scholarships you are receiving to attend law school.

Please email PDFs of each document, saved in the format LASTNAME.Document (ie. SMITH.Resume), to nyupilf@gmail.com by **Friday, March 7 at 5 pm**. We will notify you if you have been selected for an interview. Interviews are expected to take place the week of March 10.

Contact PILF Chair Shira Burton (shira.burton@nyu.edu) with any questions. Thank you for your interest in PILF and public interest work.