



Did you know?

An October 22, 2021 article in the *New York Times* reported that first-generation law students experience significant disadvantages in their earning power and careers.

ACTL's new mentoring initiative is a timely effort to address this inequality of opportunity. This is your chance to be part of the solution.

ACTL Mentorship Opportunity

What it's about:

ACTL is partnering with *Just The Beginning-A Pipeline Organization* (JTB-APO) which has a track record of recruiting first generation law students and those from underserved communities to serve as summer judicial interns. Until now, summer judicial interns have been largely unpaid.

ACTL Foundation and College have awarded \$100,000 to JTB-APO to offer stipends to summer judicial interns.

The Mentoring Committee has initiated an effort to engage ACTL Fellows in state and regional programs that will supplement the mentoring that the interns will receive directly from the participating judges.

What we are looking for:

The Mentoring Committee is looking for Fellows to create and implement mentoring programs for summer judicial interns working in federal judges' chambers.

Fellows can participate in a variety of ways:

- liaising with the Mentoring Committee to devise training and mentoring programs;
- liaising with participating federal judges to enrich the interns' summer experience;
- interacting with the interns as their mentors.

What is expected from participating Fellows?

To borrow from a military recruitment campaign, the Mentoring Committee is looking for a few good Fellows who are willing to do whatever it takes to make this initiative successful. We expect participating fellows to:

- create workable programs that are acceptable to participating judges
- conduct bi-weekly calls with the interns
- engage in career building guidance and goal setting with the interns
- train interns about ACTL standards of best practices (e.g. Professionalism)
- attend an ACTL sponsored social event and an ACTL sponsored program
- Introduce interns to local bar and support organizations.

If you are interested or have any questions, ask Vice Chair, Mentoring Committee Suzie Price at susan.price@da.org or (714) 86-7268.