

# BONNEY SUMMER LEGAL FELLOWSHIP SEPTEMBER 6, 2018

## ABOUT THE ACLU OF KANSAS

The American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU) of Kansas is a non-profit and non-partisan organization dedicated to preserving and advancing the civil rights and legal freedoms guaranteed by the United States Constitution and the Bill of Rights. The ACLU of Kansas works in the state legislature, the courts, and local communities to protect the rights of all people living in Kansas. The organization's work includes efforts to strengthen and defend First Amendment rights, voting rights, reproductive rights, racial justice, LGBT rights, immigrants' rights, stopping government surveillance, and reforming the criminal justice system. The ACLU of Kansas often works in broad-based coalitions made up of individuals and organizations from across the political, partisan, and ideological spectrum. The ACLU of Kansas is an affiliate of the national American Civil Liberties Union, has an annual budget of approximately \$850,000, and has more than 20,000 supporters across the state. The headquarters of the ACLU of Kansas is in Overland Park, Kansas, and there is also an office in Wichita.

The ACLU of Kansas comprises two separate corporate entities, the American Civil Liberties Union of Kansas and the ACLU Foundation of Kansas. Both entities have the same overall mission, and share office space and employees. The ACLU has two separate corporate entities in order to do a broad range of work to protect civil liberties. The ACLU Foundation of Kansas is a 501(c)(3) non-profit corporation that primarily engages in litigation and public education. The ACLU of Kansas is a 501(c)(4) non-profit corporation that primarily engages in lobbying and advocacy.

More information about the ACLU of Kansas is available at <u>www.aclukansas.org</u>.

## **POSITION OVERVIEW**

The Bonney Legal Fellowship is a paid summer internship in the ACLU of Kansas Legal Department. Bonney fellows will be a critical part of the Legal Department. Fellows will assist attorneys with every aspect of their work, including investigating potential cases, crafting strategic advocacy plans, and assisting with discovery.

## **QUALIFICATIONS**

Open to outstanding 2L students committed to pursuing a career in public interest law.

## **COMPENSATION**

Fellows are paid a \$3,000 stipend in two installments. The first installment is paid during the first week of the fellowship and the second installment is paid during the fourth week of the fellowship.

#### **DURATION**

The fellowship lasts 8 weeks, starting in early June and ending in August.

#### APPLICATION PROCEDURE

Please submit a detailed letter of interest, a current resume, a legal writing sample of no longer than 10 pages, and two professional references (identifying each reference's relationship to you and each reference's email address and phone number). Email your application to:

Lauren Bonds Legal Director, ACLU of Kansas <u>lbonds@aclukansas.org</u>

Please include "Summer Fellow" in the subject line. Applications accepted until position is filled. No calls or in-person applications, please.

#### DEADLINE

Applications will be reviewed beginning the week of September 24, 2018 and will be accepted until the position is filled, at which time the job announcement will be removed from our <u>website</u>.

The ACLU of Kansas is an equal opportunity employer. We value a diverse workforce and an inclusive culture. The ACLU of Kansas encourages applications from all qualified individuals without regard to race, color, religion, gender, gender identity or expression, sexual orientation, age, national origin, marital status, citizenship, disability, and veteran status.