NEW ORLEANS WORKERS' CENTER FOR RACIAL JUSTICE

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The New Orleans Workers' Center for Racial Justice is seeking 1L and 2L law students for its summer 2016 law clerk program.

The Center is a multi-racial organization dedicated to building the power and participation of poor people in order to expand democracy and transform the economy. We organize directly affected people, and couple their courage with strategic legal, policy, and communications work to build campaigns that advance racial justice, immigrant rights, and a fair economy.

The Center anchors three grassroots membership organizations: the Congress of Day Laborers, Stand With Dignity, and the National Guestworker Alliance, as well as a strategic legal department that innovates law and policy strategies that build grassroots power. Our members are African American and immigrant workers and families in the South, as well as guestworkers across the country.

The Center's legal department provides legal representation and strategic support to our grassroots organizing projects and members. Practice areas include workers' rights, housing, civil rights, and immigration. Our current work includes federal impact litigation, law reform cases, strategic immigration and detention work, administrative advocacy, policy analysis and advocacy reports, and campaign research and support.

In the last five years, the Center's victories have been highlighted in the New York Times, Time Magazine, and Newsweek. Recent news articles highlighting our work include: Editorial, "Wrongly Profiled and Deported," N.Y. TIMES, October 23, 2015; Nathan Martin, "Building Homes and a Multi-Racial Construction Industry in New Orleans," Next City, Mar. 31, 2014; Michelle Chen, "She Came to the US, Was Forced Into Indentured Servitude, and Now Faces Deportation," The Nation, October 21, 2015.

Law clerks should have an interest in the Center's practice areas and in using legal tools in the context of community-led justice campaigns. Applicants with language skill in Spanish are especially encouraged.

APPLICATION PROCESS:

The Center is a host organization for the <u>Ella Baker Summer Internship Program</u> and Peggy Browning Fellowship Program.

Unless applying exclusively to the Peggy Browning, all interested applicants should apply through the Ella Baker Program by uploading your cover letter, resume, and 3 references at https://ccrjustice.wufoo.com/forms/2016-ella-baker-summer-internship-application/.

<u>Please note</u>: the Application Deadline for Ella Baker is **December 18, 2015** for 1Ls (the 2L deadline has lapsed), and for Peggy Browning is **January 15, 2016** for 1L's and 2L's. If you have any questions, please email legal@nowcrj.org.