The Washington State Attorney General’s Office (AGO) is currently seeking law students who are also veterans as defined by RCW 41.04.007 to apply to serve as a volunteer law clerk or legal extern for academic credit.

The Opportunity:
The selected candidate will serve the AGO’s Administrative Division in Seattle. Duties performed by the selected candidate will include, but are not limited to: researching and preparing memoranda on legal issues involving or faced by veterans and military families; researching and summarizing changes to federal and state laws offering protections and benefits to veterans and military families in order to update the AGO Military & Veteran Legal Resource Guide; assisting the AGO’s Office of Military and Veteran Legal Assistance with promoting and facilitating civil legal assistance for Washington’s military service members and veterans; participating in the AG’s outreach efforts to the veteran and military communities, and meeting with stakeholders; understanding the consumer complaint process and assisting in analyzing complaints for trends and possible enforcement actions; and working on possible subjects for veteran or military-related CLE subjects.

Qualifications:
We are looking for a law student who:
• Served in any branch of the Armed Forces, including the National Guard and Reserves;
• Fulfilled his or her initial military service obligation OR, as a member of the armed forces reserves, national guard, or coast guard, has been called into federal service by a presidential select reserve call up for at least one hundred eighty cumulative days; and
• Received an honorable discharge or a discharge for medical reasons with an honorable record.

Candidates must also be currently enrolled in an ABA accredited law school and must maintain that status during the duration of the clerkship/externship. The AGO seeks applicants who are committed to public service and who possess a diverse background in education, previous work experience, law school activities, extracurricular activities, community service, and areas of interest that enhance our office.

Required Application Materials/Deadline:
Qualified candidates can apply by going to www.careers.wa.gov and searching for “2020 Veteran Law Clerk”. Complete the on-line application and upload a resume, letter of interest and law school transcript (official/unofficial) by January 20, 2020. In addition, all applicants, with the exception of first-year law students, MUST submit one letter of recommendation. That letter can be sent directly to Letrice Tobin by the recommender via email (Letrice.Tobin@atg.wa.gov); mail (800 5th Avenue, Suite 2000, Seattle, WA 98104) or fax (206-389-2058) and must be received by the deadline. First-year law students must submit a list of three professional references. For questions about this opportunity, please contact Travis Alley, AAG and Manager of the AGO’s Office of Military & Veteran Legal Assistance at Travis.Alley@atg.wa.gov or (206) 464-6431.

Recruitment Process:
Applications of qualified candidates will be assessed and interviews will be conducted to identify the selected candidate. Any qualified candidate not selected can then participate in the AGO’s spring law clerk process for volunteer law clerks, the process for which will immediately follow this recruitment.

The Attorney General’s Office respects and encourages diversity in the work force. The Office of the Attorney General is an equal opportunity employer and does not discriminate on the basis of race, creed, color, national origin, sex, marital status, sexual orientation, gender identity diversity, age, honorably discharged veteran, veteran status, or the presence of any sensory, mental or physical disability or the use of a trained dog guide or service animal by a person with a disability. Persons requiring reasonable accommodation in the application process or requiring any information in an alternative format may contact me or the Washington Relay Service at 1-800-676-3777 or www.washingtonrelay.com.