



National Association of Consumer Advocates

NACA 2-Year Fellowship FAQs

- **What is the purpose of the fellowship?** *To introduce newly graduating law school students to the practice of consumer law in both a public interest and private law firm setting.*
- **How is the fellowship structured?** *The first year of your fellowship will be spent working as a consumer lawyer at the host legal aid organization. In your second year, you will be working with private NACA member consumer lawyers.*
- **How many fellowships are being awarded?** *NACA will be providing **two** fellowships.*
- **Who is eligible to apply?** *All 2026 law graduates.*
- **When will the fellowship begin?** *In fall 2026. Exact start dates can be worked out with your employer.*
- **Who will be my employer?** *For both years of your fellowship, you will be an employee of the host legal aid organization. Your salary and benefits will be based on that organization's pay and benefit structure.*
- **What are the approved legal aid organization and private law firm projects?** *The approved projects and their location can be found [here](#).*
- **Will there be additional approved projects?** *NACA is open to approving additional projects. We only ask that the legal organization is a NACA member and that they have a plan to partner with private NACA member consumer attorneys.*
- **How do I apply?** *The application can be found [here](#). All material should be sent to fellowships@consumeradvocates.org.*

- **Can I apply to more than one program?** *Yes, just indicate the program(s) that you're applying for on the application form.*
- **What is the application deadline?** *January 15, 2026*
- **How will the fellowship selection process work?** *All applications submitted to NACA will be provided to the project(s) of your choice and they will select candidates to interview and recommend to a committee of NACA members to make the final fellowship selections.*
- **When will a decision be announced?** *We hope to inform applicants of decisions by February 28, 2026.*