



National Association of Consumer Advocates

NACA Summer Fellowship FAQs

- **What is the purpose of the summer fellowship?** *To introduce law students to the practice of consumer law in either a public interest or private law firm setting.*
- **How many fellowships are being awarded?** *NACA will be providing at least ten (10) summer fellowships.*
- **Who is eligible to apply?** *All 1L and 2L students at an accredited law school.*
- **When are the fellowships available?** *For work as a law clerk in summer 2026. Exact start and end dates can be worked out with your employer.*
- **How much is the fellowship for?** *\$8,000. Fellows will also receive NACA student memberships, free access to our full consumer training library and free registration to our Spring and Fall conferences.*
- **How will the fellowship be paid?** *Fellows will receive \$6,000 at the beginning of the summer. The remaining \$2,000 will be paid upon completion of the clerkship and submission of an essay describing your work.*
- **Who are eligible employers?** *Fellowships are available for summer clerkships at any NACA member public interest organization or private law firm. The fellowship is **not** available for work at government agencies. NACA members expressly interested in hosting summer fellows can be found here: [*Potential Hosts*](#). Other NACA members who qualify as summer fellow hosts can be found here in our [*Find an Attorney Directory*](#).*

- **How do I apply?** Please submit a resume, a [**completed application form**](#), and a prospective organization or consumer law firm's supporting statement to fellowship@consumeradvocates.org.
- **What is a "supporting statement?"** It is a letter from a NACA member law firm or organization explaining that they will hire you as a summer law clerk if you receive the fellowship. The letter should briefly explain the type of work you will be doing.
- **When is the application deadline?** February 15, 2026
- **How will the fellowship selection process work?** All applications submitted to NACA will be reviewed by a committee of NACA members and who decide on the fellowship recipients.
- **When will a decision be announced?** We hope to make decisions on a rolling basis. Final decisions on all summer fellowships will be made no later than March 31, 2026.