

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 2025. 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: <u>Potential Hosts</u>. Other NACA members who qualify as summer fellow hosts can be found here in our <u>Find an</u> <u>Attorney Directory</u>.

- How do I apply? Please submit a resume, a <u>completed application form</u>, and a prospective organization or consumer law firm's supporting statement to <u>fellowship@consumeradvocates.org</u>.
- 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 1, 2025
- 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 15, 2025.