

Employment Opportunity

Position: Natural Resources Law Teaching Fellow

Employer: Appalachian School of Law, Grundy, VA

The Appalachian School of Law (ASL) is hiring a Natural Resources Law Teaching Fellow to begin in the fall of 2019. This is a unique opportunity for a recent law school graduate or transitioning attorney with an interest in energy, environmental and/or natural resources law. The Natural Resources Law Teaching Fellow will have primary administrative responsibility within ASL's Natural Resources Law Center; will have the opportunity to conduct scholarship and engage in networking; will be expected to teach or assist in teaching at least one natural resources law related course in the spring or fall of 2020; and will have significant responsibility coordinating events sponsored by the ASL Natural Resources Law Center. ASL has developed a recognized natural resources law program, and the Fellow will be an integral part of growing and implementing the components of that program. The position offers flexible hours and the opportunity to perform many job duties remotely.

Job Description: The Fellow will perform a wide variety of tasks under the broad supervision of the Director of the Natural Resources Law Center. The Fellow will have the opportunity to assist in charting the direction of the Natural Resources Law Center and to shape this position accordingly. The responsibilities of, and opportunities for, the Fellow position include the following:

- Design and create marketing materials for use on the ASL web site, and recruitment and promotional efforts;
- Assist in the instruction of natural resources law related courses, including leading the design and instruction of a course in the spring or fall of 2020;
- Develop relationships with strategic partners in the energy, environmental and natural resources fields;
- Coordinate seminars, speakers, events and field trips sponsored by the Center;
- Maintain, identify and develop externship and competitive internship sites for law students in the summers, as well as scholarship opportunities;
- Generate interest in energy, environmental and natural resources law among the student body, and coordinate with related student organizations;
- Participate in the strategic planning efforts of the Natural Resources Law Center, including attending committee meetings;
- Prepare reports for the ASL Board of Trustees and press releases on events and achievements within the ASL Natural Resources Law community;
- Have the opportunity to contribute to the academic scholarship of Natural Resources Law professors, and to assist with class presentations and moot court teams; and
- Have the opportunity to create one's own academic scholarship, to attend and/or audit courses, and to attend conferences, field trips and other events (travel expenses to certain conferences are paid at the discretion of the Dean).

Candidate Requirements:

The ideal candidate will have a J.D. degree with a demonstrated interest in energy, environmental and/or natural resources law. The candidate should be creative, passionate and

disciplined, with the ability to strategically formulate program components, complete tasks with minimal supervision, and follow through on networking and administrative aspects of projects. The candidate should have the maturity to be able to coordinate with business and academic leaders, and to work independently. The candidate must also be approachable by students and law school applicants. Finally, the ideal candidate should have the desire and drive to carve out a niche for himself or herself in the law school and larger community, to shape the Fellow position, and to assume greater responsibility over time.

Salary and Hour Commitments: The Fellow is a 12 month position with an annual salary rate of \$62,000.00. This position is open until filled, with an expected start date in the fall of 2019. This is a full-time position with benefits, and the Fellow is expected to spend at least two days per week working out of the Natural Resources Law office on campus, in Grundy, Virginia.

About ASL and the Natural Resources Law Program:

ASL exists to provide opportunity for people from Appalachia and beyond to realize their dreams of practicing law and bettering their communities. We attract a qualified, diverse and dedicated student body, many of whom will remain in the region after graduation and serve as legal counselors, advocates, judges, mediators, community leaders, and public officials. We offer a nationally recruited, diverse, and well-qualified faculty, a rigorous program for the professional training of lawyers and a comprehensive law library. The program emphasizes professional responsibility, dispute resolution, and practice skills. The ASL community is an exciting, student-centered environment that emphasizes honesty, integrity, fairness, and respect for others. We also emphasize community service and provide a resource for people, the bar, courts and other institutions of the region.

ASL has developed an emphasis in Natural Resources and Energy Law, due in part to ASL's location in southwestern Virginia, the heart of the Appalachian oil and gas and coal-producing region. The ASL Natural Resources Law Program's mission is to train attorneys to navigate the increasingly complex world of natural resources law in terms of energy production, conservation, and improving sustainability. At the center of this mission is ASL's commitment to offer a place for rational discussion, intelligent debate, and collaboration to foster cutting-edge programs and innovative scholarship with the ultimate goal to make students more effective and scientifically grounded policymakers and advocates.

This institution does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, gender, gender identity, sexual orientation, genetic information, disability, religion, national and ethnic origin, age, veteran status or political affiliation.

To apply: Please send cover letter, resume and list of references to the Office of Personnel by email at personnel@asl.edu. Please, reference "NR Fellow Position" in your communications. For questions about this position, please contact Professor Mark (Buzz) Belleville at mbelleville@asl.edu.