

Eligibility Requirements

Before beginning your application, please review the eligibility requirements below carefully.

All applications are due by 11:59pm on Monday, August 31 Pacific Time.

Requirements:

- *Applicant is a final-year law student, LL.M. student, judicial clerk, or recent law graduate (within approximately two years of graduation)*
- *Applicant has (or will have) a Juris Doctor (J.D.) or equivalent law degree at the time the fellowship begins (Fall 2027)*
- *Applicant has a defined public interest law project that addresses the unmet civil legal needs of people living in poverty.*
- *The project will be hosted by a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization*
- *Applicant is able to work full-time on the proposed fellowship project for the two-year fellowship term*
- *For additional eligibility requirements, please review the "Eligibility" section on our [website](#).*

Do you meet all of the above listed criteria?

☒ Yes

☐ No

Great! Click next to proceed with your application.

In addition to information about your educational background and project proposal, you'll be asked to upload the following documents:

1. Resume
2. Law School Transcript
3. Letter of Support from your Host Organization
4. (2) Recommendation Letters
5. Applicant and Host Organization Certification

You can read more about required documentation [here](#).

For the best experience, we recommend completing this application on a desktop or laptop computer using a current version of Google Chrome, Microsoft Edge, Safari, or Firefox. Your progress will be saved automatically, allowing you to return and continue your application, provided you are using the same browser and device. Please avoid completing the application in a private or incognito browser window, as progress may not be saved.

When completing the essays, we recommend drafting and saving your responses in a separate document before pasting into this application (note that any direct formatting - bold, italics, underline - will not carry over). This will help prevent the accidental loss of work due to browser, device, or connectivity issues.

The Skadden Foundation prohibits discrimination against applicants and Fellows on any basis prohibited by applicable law. We encourage applications from individuals who are members of groups that historically have been underrepresented in the legal profession, as well as from those whose personal or professional experiences have yielded deep connections with or insights into the marginalized client communities they seek to serve.

Any applicants who may need assistance or accommodations in the application process should contact Skadden.Foundation@Skadden.com.

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Personal Information

First Name *

Middle Name

Last Name *

Preferred Name

Pronouns

Phonetic Pronunciation

(e.g., THUR - good MAR - shul)

Current Address *

City *

State *

Zip Code *

Phone number *

Personal Email *

Work or School Email *

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Education

Law School

School Name *

Graduation Month *

Graduation Year *

GPA

(if applicable)

Class Rank / Percentile

(if applicable)

Law Review / Law Journal

(if applicable)

Law Review / Journal Position

(if applicable)

Bar Exam

Bar status? *

☐

I am currently barred.

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I will take the bar exam.

Jurisdiction *

Month *

Year *

Undergraduate Degree

Undergraduate School *

Degree Awarded *

Major(s) *

Year Graduated *

Education

Do you have other advanced degrees? *

☒ Yes

☐ No

Other Advanced Degree(s)

Add a line for multiple advanced degrees.

School	Degree Awarded	Subject Matter	Year Graduated
			Select... ▼

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Have you served, or will you serve, as a judicial clerk? *

☒ Yes

☐ No

Post Graduate Judicial Clerkship(s)

Add a line for multiple clerkships

Jurisdiction	Court	Judge	Year(s)
Select... ▼			

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Project Proposal

Project Title *

50 characters max

Synopsis of Proposed Project *

Up to 50 words

Primary Issue Area *

Secondary Issue Area

(if applicable)

Have you applied to the Skadden
Fellowship before? *

☐ Yes

☐ No

Host Organization *

Host Organization URL *

Host Organization City *

Host Organization State *

Total Number of Staff *

Total Number of Attorneys *

City and state where you will be based during your fellowship

Proposed Project City *

Proposed Project State *

Your work will be: *

☐ Primarily in-person

☐ Primarily remote

Additional Information on
Work Location

(e.g. multi-city project, frequent travel)

Project Proposal

Supervising Attorney(s) *
The supervisor should be the daily supervisor of the person and their work product. If there are multiple supervising attorneys please add a line for each.

Name	Title

+ Add

Do you speak any other languages that may be relevant to your project? *

☒ Yes

☐ No

Languages Spoken

Language	Proficiency	Expect to use at your Fellowship?
Select... v	Select... v	Select... v

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Please respond to the following statements.

Essay 1. Describe briefly (up to 400 words) your proposed public interest project. Please specify what legal rights you will advance and how you think your project will work. *

Essay 2. Select one or two of your previous public interest experiences and state briefly (up to 400 words) their significance. *

Essay 3. State briefly (up to 400 words) what called you to public interest work and your proposed project *

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Additional Materials

Please click [here](#) for further instructions, including an explanation of each required document, accepted formats and file naming conventions.

Transcript & Resume

Upload your Law School Transcript here.

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Drag & drop a file or [browse](#)

Upload a current Resume here. *



Drag & drop a file or [browse](#)

Host Organization Commitment Letter

Upload your Host Organization Commitment Letter. *



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Recommendations

Provide the names and titles of the two individuals writing your Academic and Supervisor Recommendations.

Academic Recommender Name *

Academic Recommender Title *

Supervisor Recommender Name *

Supervisor Recommender Title *

And upload a PDF of their written recommendations here.

[If your academic recommender would prefer to keep the recommendation confidential, they can email a PDF to Skadden.Foundation@skadden.com. Please have them include your full name in the subject line.]

Academic Recommendation



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Supervisor Recommendation *



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Additional Materials

Applicant and Host Certifications

Applicant should fill out and sign the certification form at [this link](#) and upload the completed PDF below. *



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Host Organization should fill out and sign the certification form at [this link](#); applicant should upload the completed PDF below. *



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Supplemental Materials

Optional. Use this field to attach any supplemental materials you'd like to share with us.



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