

Technology and Press Freedom Project Legal Fellowship

The Technology and Press Freedom Project Legal Fellowship is a one-year fellowship that focuses on technology law and related issues. The fellow is an integral part of the Technology and Press Freedom Project at the Reporters Committee, which combines law, policy analysis and public education to advocate for the First Amendment rights and freedom of information interests of the news media and the public. The project works on an array of issues at the intersection of the First Amendment, media law and technology, including reporter-source confidentiality protections, content moderation and regulation, and the impact of complex regulatory regimes, such as antitrust or telecommunications regulations, on the news media.

Key Responsibilities Include:

- Working with RCFP staff attorneys to litigate impact cases involving access to court records/proceedings and issues arising under state and federal freedom of information laws – particularly cases with a technology component – including conducting legal research and drafting pleadings, motions and briefs;
- Drafting amicus briefs on behalf of media coalitions in state and federal appeals presenting important media and technology law issues;
- Responding to hotline inquiries under the supervision of RCFP staff attorneys;
- Assisting in client representations of various kinds, including pre-publication vetting for independent and freelance journalists and documentary filmmakers; and
- Co-authoring legal guides, blog posts, special analyses and other online resources available for free on our website.

Required Qualifications:

- J.D. from accredited law school; must be admitted to practice law in at least one U.S. jurisdiction or awaiting bar exam results/admission in at least one U.S. jurisdiction at the start of employment;
- Excellent written and oral communication skills;
- Good judgment and the highest level of professional integrity.

Please provide a resume, law school transcript and cover letter explaining how your experience relates to the anticipated responsibilities for the position. Applications may be submitted to kpoole@rcfp.org. We will consider applications immediately, and on a rolling basis until the position is filled.

The salary for this position is \$65,000 per year, with fully paid health insurance, paid time off, 401k and other benefits.

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