

THE CONSTITUTION PROJECT SEEKS POLICY COUNSEL FOR ITS RULE OF LAW PROGRAM

The Constitution Project, a nonprofit public policy organization based in Washington, DC, seeks a Policy Counsel to work on a variety of issues relating to the rule of law.

About Us

The Constitution Project promotes and defends constitutional safeguards. Through its Rule of Law and Criminal Justice Programs, the Project promotes dialogue across ideological and partisan lines, bringing together prominent individuals from a variety of experiences to achieve long-term consensus. Working with these influential and unlikely allies, the Project conducts strategic public education campaigns and helps create the political majorities needed to transform this consensus into sound public policy.

The Rule of Law Program addresses threats to the rule of law and to our constitutional safeguards, including national security polices developed after September 11 that reduce transparency and undermine fundamental principles of fairness and due process. Current issues include government secrecy, including the state secrets doctrine; preventive detention for accused terrorists; the closure of Guantanamo Bay and the continuing operation of detention facilities in Iraq and Afghanistan; the fair and proper treatment of suspected terrorists, including interrogation techniques; the legal process for bringing terrorist suspects to justice; a nonpartisan commission to investigate the treatment of detainees; the abuse of immigration laws as a counter-terrorism tool; and due process protections and access to counsel for immigrants in removal proceedings.

About the Job

The Policy Counsel will work with high-level experts to develop consensus reports and recommendations for policy reforms, and promote the reforms through advocacy and public education campaigns. The Policy Counsel will also work with major law firms on amicus briefs supporting the Project's policy goals in the courts, and with Members of Congress and congressional staff in support of those goals. A competitive salary and benefits are available.

Qualifications

The position presents the opportunity to work on issues in the headlines in a challenging, fast-paced environment. Applicants should have:

- * A law degree from an accredited law school
- * Experience with policymaking or policy analysis
- * Outstanding research and writing skills
- * A proven ability to work as a member of a team
- * The ability to manage competing demands

Ideal candidates will have some combination of:

- * Experience working on constitutional issues
- * Experience in bipartisan environments
- * Experience on Capitol Hill or as a public policy advocate
- * Experience with public speaking

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Please submit a resume, references, and a writing sample to the attention of Tara Beech via email at tbeech@constitutionproject.org (including "Rule of Law Application" in the subject line) or via mail at 1200 18th Street, NW, 10th Floor, Washington, DC 20036. *no phone calls please.

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