U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE OFFICE OF THE CHIEF COUNSEL FOR INTERNATIONAL COMMERCE FULL -TIME VOLUNTEER LAW INTERN, SUMMER 2012

The Office of the Chief Counsel for International Commerce (OCC-IC), U.S. Department of Commerce, Washington, DC, seeks two full-time volunteer law interns for Summer 2012.

OCC-IC provides legal advice and support to the International Trade Administration (ITA) on international trade, investment, export promotion and antitrust matters. International Commerce attorneys work closely with the Office of the U.S. Trade Representative, the State Department, other government agencies, and the private sector. Our twelve attorneys primarily focus on:

Multilateral and Bilateral Trade and Investment Agreements: Providing advice on interpretation, application and enforcement of the World Trade Organization agreements, as well as regional and bilateral free trade agreements like the NAFTA; and supporting and participating in multilateral and bilateral negotiations related to international trade, intellectual property rights, and cross-border investment.

Bringing Down Trade Barriers: Advising ITA on addressing barriers to U.S. exports and foreign investment, including foreign infringement of U.S. intellectual property rights. We work with ITA to determine the nature of the barrier, the international legal requirements applicable, and the legal and policy tools available to address the barrier.

Promoting U.S. Exports: Providing legal support to the U.S. & Foreign Commercial Service and other parts of ITA in promoting U.S. exports through trade missions and other activities.

OCC-IC works to ensure that interns have meaningful and interesting assignments that include client contact and participating in interagency meetings. Each intern will each be assigned a supervisor, who will meet with the intern on a regular basis to discuss progress. The Summer Internship is a full-time volunteer position: 40 hours a week for at least eight weeks.

Candidates who are interested in a unique international law experience, and who have a background or demonstrated interest in international trade and investment law, are encouraged to apply. Candidates must have completed at least one year of law school before commencing the internship. Since this is an unpaid position, candidates should inquire of their law school as to whether funding or financial aid would be available to them while working as an intern in OCC-IC. An applicant must be a U.S. citizen to be considered.

If interested, please fax or e-mail (do not send by regular mail) your cover letter, resume, a fiveto-ten page writing sample (preferably on an international law subject), and law school transcript to: <u>occic@doc.gov</u>; fax (202) 482-4076. To expedite the handling of your application, please indicate "**Summer 2012 Internship**" in the subject matter area of your correspondence.

Application deadline for Summer 2012 Internships: December 30, 2011.

For further information about OCC-IC, please visit: http://www.commerce.gov/os/ogc/international-commerce

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