## **PUBLIC CITIZEN LITIGATION GROUP**

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## PUBLIC INTEREST LITIGATOR

**Public Citizen Litigation Group** is seeking a staff attorney to develop and litigate a broad range of public interest cases. The Litigation Group is a 9-lawyer public interest law firm that serves as the litigating arm of the consumer advocacy organization Public Citizen. Located in Washington, DC, the Litigation Group litigates at all levels of the federal and state judiciaries. Since its founding in 1972, its lawyers have argued 63 cases before the U.S. Supreme Court.

The Litigation Group's docket addresses a variety of topics, including

- health and safety regulation,
- access to the civil justice system, including issues involving class actions, federal preemption, forced arbitration, and attorney fees,
- consumer protection, under statutes such as the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act and the Truth in Lending Act,
- government transparency, including cases involving the Freedom of Information Act and Federal Advisory Committee Act,
- the First Amendment, including cases involving speech on the Internet, tobacco regulation, and campaign finance reform, and
- separation of powers and due process.

In addition to handling its own cases, the Litigation Group frequently files amicus curiae briefs in Supreme Court and appellate cases that raise issues within our areas of practice. Litigation Group lawyers also assist other Public Citizen groups and public interest organizations on legislative and regulatory matters. The Group's lawyers frequently teach, write articles, speak publicly on legal issues, work on bar committees, and participate fully in the life of the legal community.

For more information on the Litigation Group and Public Citizen, go to <a href="www.citizen.org/litigation">www.citizen.org/litigation</a> and <a href="www.citizen.org">www.citizen.org</a>. The Litigation Group's website includes information about current and former cases, and provides a comprehensive overview of our docket.

**Qualifications** include a minimum of 5 years of post-law-school experience, excellent analytical and research skills, excellent writing ability, creativity, and dedication to public interest work. Interest in consumer law and in government transparency a plus. Applicants must be admitted to a state bar and, if not already admitted to practice in DC, be eligible for admission to the DC Bar.

**To apply**, send a cover letter, resume, list of references, law-school transcript, and writing sample by email to <a href="litapplicant@citizen.org">litapplicant@citizen.org</a>. The writing sample can be of any length; *please do not send an excerpt*. Applications will be accepted until the position is filled.

Salary depends on experience and is set by union contract. Benefits include fully paid medical and dental insurance, a retirement plan, and generous annual leave. Public Citizen is an equal opportunity employer.