

Role: Internship
Location: London
Department: International Dispute Resolution Group
Type of role: 3 or 6 Months Fixed Term Contract
Start date: 2021

Debevoise & Plimpton invites applications from lawyers in the early stages of their legal careers who wish to explore the practice of international dispute resolution and public international law. The internship programme offers a rare opportunity to operate as part of the team recognized as the World's best, and experience the day-to-day practicalities of representing Sovereigns, businesses and individuals before international courts and tribunals across a wide range of industries.

Our International Dispute Resolution Practice is uniquely diverse and combines expertise in public international law, commercial and treaty arbitration, human rights, as well as ancillary litigation before domestic courts. We have been involved in some of the largest and most significant disputes of our time, employing knowledge, strategic thinking and advocacy techniques that enable us identify efficient legal solutions even in the most challenging circumstances.

Our interns undertake a variety of tasks supporting the team with fact investigation, merits assessment and case analysis, as well as legal research and preparation for oral hearings. Interns also play an important role in implementing the Firm's business development and marketing initiatives assisting with presentations, speeches and client briefings. In addition, as part of a vibrant team that values innovation, you will have the opportunity to contribute to the continued development of our thought leadership initiatives, including in the areas of gender diversity, climate change and improving the quality of international arbitral process.

We welcome applications from candidates of all nationalities and legal backgrounds with strong academic credentials and demonstrable interest in international dispute settlement and/or public international law. Postgraduate degree or prior work experience in these areas is an advantage. Fluency in written and oral English is a prerequisite. Proficiency in other languages, especially Arabic, Mandarin, Spanish, Portuguese or Russian, would be an asset.

If you wish to apply, please send your cover letter and resume, each not exceeding two pages, and a writing sample that demonstrates your analytical skills and strong command of English, when the application process reopens. Our internship program runs throughout the year and candidates are required to specify their availability when making an application. Further information on the application cycle is available on our careers page.