

Public Interest Attorney Loan Repayment Program Application

The Public Interest Attorney Loan Repayment (PIALR) Program allows the Commission to repay up to \$11,000 in law school loans for licensed attorneys who agree to practice in Public Interest Areas of the Law in California over four years.

<p>“Public Interest Areas of the Law” means the following areas of the law that serve the public interest:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Legal Services Organization (a legal services provider in California that serves a clientele over 70 percent of whom are low-income persons according to applicable federal income guidelines) Prosecuting Attorney’s Office Child Support Agency Office Criminal Public Defender’s Office Qualified Support Center (as defined in BPC § 6213) 	<p>Who is Eligible to Apply California State Bar licensed attorneys who practice or agree to practice in Public Interest Areas of the Law in California.</p> <p>How to Apply Submit completed form(s) to: Email: pialr@csac.ca.gov Please direct questions to the same email: pialr@csac.ca.gov.</p>		
Section 1: Applicant Demographic Information (Required)			
Last Name:	First Name:	Middle Initial:	Social Security Number ⁱ :
Street Address:	City and Zip Code:		California State Bar Number:
Email:	Phone:	Date of Birth ⁱⁱ :	
Section 2: Law School Information (Required)			
School Name:			State:
Street Address:	City and Zip Code:		Law School Graduation Date:
During the duration of your time in law school, input any academic achievements you earned with the corresponding academic term. This includes, but is not limited to, earning graduation with honors, being part of your law school’s Law Review or being part of the Dean’s List. If you earned the same honor over multiple years, include each time you earned the honor.	Achievement:		Academic Term or Date Earned:
Loan Servicer Name:	Total value of outstanding law school loan debt, at time of application: If you had student loans from your undergraduate or other degrees, do not include those loans in the total value of outstanding law school loan debt.		
Section 3: Current Employment and Financial Information (Required)			
If you are not currently employed, please check here, complete “Total Household Value of Assets” portion of Section 3, and move on to Section 4: <input type="checkbox"/>			
Employer Name:			Employer County:
Street Address:	City:	Zip Code:	
Type of Employment: <input type="checkbox"/> Legal Services Organization <input type="checkbox"/> Prosecuting Attorney’s Office <input type="checkbox"/> Child Support Agency Office <input type="checkbox"/> Criminal Public Defender’s Office <input type="checkbox"/> Qualified Support Center (as defined in BPC § 6213)	Job Title: Please briefly explain your job duties in this position as it relates to public interest law (enter “N/A” if you are not currently practicing in a Public Interest Area of the Law).		
Annual Gross Salary:	Total Household Value of Assets ⁱⁱⁱ :		
Supervisor Name:	Supervisor Email:	Supervisor Phone:	

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Section 4: Commitment to Public Interest Areas of the Law (Required)		
<p>For this section, public service is as defined by the federal government’s Public Service Loan Forgiveness (PSLF) Program: be employed by a U.S. federal, state, local, or tribal government or qualifying not-for-profit organization (federal service includes U.S. military service).</p> <p>If you need additional space to answer the questions in this section, please attach an addendum with your completed application.</p>		
Employment in public service <i>prior to</i> law school:		
Employer:	Job Title:	Starting Date and Final Date:
<p>Please briefly explain your job duties in each position as they relate to public service.</p>		
Work experience <i>during</i> law school:		
<p>This is not limited to law or Public Interest Areas of the Law related work experience. Employment in unrelated fields should be included.</p>		
Employer:	Job Title:	Starting Date and Final Date:
<p>Volunteer Experience in Public Interest Areas of the Law, both during and after law school:</p> <p>This can include experience in experiential learning in law school (law school’s clinic or externships in public service as defined by the PSLF Program), as well as volunteer experience after law school.</p>		
Organization, Employer or Project:	Job Title:	Starting Date and Final Date:
<p>Please briefly explain your job duties in each volunteer position as they relate to a Public Interest Area of the Law.</p>		

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Section 5: Employment in Public Interest Areas of the Law as an Attorney (Required)	
Number of years of employment in Public Interest Areas of the Law as an attorney at time of application.	If you plan or are interested in Public Interest Area of the Law work in a county where you are not currently employed, please input the county you are interested in.
Section 6: Prior Application to Loan Repayment Assistance Program (Required)	
Have you applied to your law school's Loan Repayment Assistance Program (LRAP)? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes. <input type="checkbox"/> No. Please note: if "No" is selected, you would be required to apply for your law school's LRAP prior to being awarded for this program. <input type="checkbox"/> My school does not offer a Loan Repayment Assistance Program or any other educational loan assistance programs for which I qualify.	
Section 7: Applicant Agreement (Required)	
By signing this form, I agree to the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> I commit to working at least four years in public interest law if selected for the Public Interest Attorney Loan Repayment Program. Public interest law is defined in California Code of Regulations 30928(j) as the following: Legal Services Organization (a legal services provider in California that serves a clientele over 70 percent of whom are low-income persons according to applicable federal income guidelines), Prosecuting Attorney's Office, Child Support Agency Office, Criminal Public Defender's Office, or a Qualified Support Center (as defined in BPC § 6213). <input type="checkbox"/> I agree to respond to all communications and comply with all requests from CSAC in a timely manner. <input type="checkbox"/> I certify that any loan repayment received through this program is to repay law school loans used to pay for reasonable expenses associated with the costs of acquiring an education, such as tuition, books, equipment, fees, room and board. <input type="checkbox"/> I agree under penalty of perjury, under the laws of the State of California, all statements contained in the application and any accompanying documents are true and correct, with full knowledge that all statements made in the application are subject to investigation. Any false or dishonest answer to any question may be grounds for denial to participate in the Program and subject to prosecution under applicable state law. I authorize the exchange of any records and any application information between the Commission and my law school, employer or loan servicer. I shall provide documentation to verify all information provided, if requested. 	
Applicant Signature:	Date:

ⁱ If you do not have a social security number, please input all zeroes: 000000000.

ⁱⁱ For all questions that require dates, please input the dates using MM/DD/YYYY formatting.

ⁱⁱⁱ "Total Household Value of Assets" includes any jointly-owned assets of the applicant and the applicant's spouse, as of today, such as:

- (A) The value of all cash and savings held in bank, or other financial institution, checking and savings accounts;
- (B) The estimated cash value of any investments in real estate or property other than the applicant's primary residence minus debts related to those same investments.
- (C) Any business and farm assets of the applicant minus debts related to those same businesses and/or investment farms.

When calculating Total Household Value of Assets, use 0 for investments or properties with a negative value.