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**FCC TO ACCEPT APPLICATIONS FOR FALL 2017 HONORS PROGRAM**

*Application Window for Entry-Level Attorney Honors Program Opens 8/5*

WASHINGTON August 4, 2016 – The Federal Communications Commission today announced that it will begin accepting applications from graduating law students and current judicial clerks for its Fall 2017 Attorney Honors Program. The application window opens on August 5, 2016 and closes on September 16, 2016. The Attorney Honors Program is the FCC’s primary vehicle for hiring entry-level attorneys.

Attorneys at the FCC work on cutting-edge legal and policy issues in the communications and technology arenas. They promote the deployment of high-speed broadband communications; protect the rights of consumers; promote access to communications services for all Americans, including Americans with disabilities; review major mergers and acquisitions; and promote public safety and homeland security.

Attorney Honors Program participants serve in a two-year employment and training program designed to introduce them to field of communications law and policy and to provide a wide variety of learning experiences. The FCC encourages law students in their final year of study and judicial clerks with superior academic credentials and an interest in public service and communications law to apply for the Fall 2017 class. Applications must be received by midnight September 16, 2016; incomplete or late applications will not be considered.

Interested persons should submit a cover letter, resume, official or unofficial law school transcript, writing sample and list of three references via email to Honors.Program@fcc.gov.

For further information, please visit the Honors Program webpage at [www.fcc.gov/attorneyhonorsprogram](http://www.fcc.gov/attorneyhonorsprogram). You may also contact Darren Fernandez, Office of General Counsel, at (202) 418-1700.

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