MCRC FROST CALL 018-21 DATED 25 JAN 2021

- From: Commanding General, Marine Corps Recruiting Command
- Subj: FISCAL YEAR 2021 PLATOON LEADERS CLASS-LAW SUMMER INTERNSHIP INITIATIVE
- Ref: (a) MCRCO 1131.1
 - (b) Volume II: Guidebook for Officer Selection Officers, 2016 Edition
 - (c) 10 U.S.C. 1074
 - (d) MCO 1001.59A
 - (e) MCO 6100.13A
- Encl: (1) Template for Summer Internship Request
 - (2) Template for Officer Selection Officer (OSO) Endorsement
- 1. $\underline{\text{Purpose}}$. To establish procedures for requesting Platoon Leaders Class-Law (PLC-Law) Summer Internships for Fiscal Year 2021 (FY21).

2. Background

- a. Reference (a) establishes the PLC-Law Summer Internship Initiative, under which PLC-Law Student Judge Advocates may be selected for a summer internship between law school academic years. Reference (b) establishes the Deputy Staff Judge Advocate (Deputy SJA), Marine Corps Recruiting Command (MCRC) as the PLC-Law Program Manager.
- b. The PLC-Law Summer Internship Initiative provides PLC-Law Student Judge Advocates with practical legal experience and on-the-job training with the intent of supporting the ongoing PLC-Law recruiting mission.

3. Information

a. <u>Eligibility</u>. Reference (a) contains the eligibility requirements for summer internships. PLC-Law Student Judge Advocates must have successfully completed at least one year of law school and maintained the academic standards prescribed by their law school.

b. Procedures

- (1) PLC-Law Student Judge Advocates must submit a summer internship request no later than 45 days prior to the requested or anticipated internship start date. See enclosure (1). Any application submitted within 45 days of the requested start date may be subject to denial or delay. For example, if a Student Judge Advocate is requesting to start an internship on 1 June 2021, they must submit an application to the PLC-Law Program Manager by 17 April 2021.
- (2) Student Judge Advocates must receive OSO endorsement on any summer internship request. See enclosure (2). Officer Selection Team (OST) staff shall forward completed request packets through the Marine Corps Recruiting Command SharePoint site at:

https://mcrcportal.marines.usmc.mil/HQG3/op/oa admin/RAN/Lists/ARN/LAWYERS.aspx

It is also recommended that OST staff notify the PLC-Law Program Manager of any submission.

c. Funding and Other Considerations

(1) The summer internship selection process is competitive. Selection for a summer internship will be based on law school grade point

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average (GPA), current physical fitness test (PFT) and combat fitness test (CFT) scores, participation in OST activities, and personal statement.

- (2) MCRC will assign select PLC-Law Student Judge Advocates to one of several Marine Corps bases or stations within the United States. Geographic assignment will depend on available funding and the needs of the Marine Corps. MCRC will consider other factors when determining assignment locations, to include geographic proximity to an officer's law school or home of record.
- (3) Summer internships are temporary, the orders will not exceed sixty days, and there is no entitlement, contractual or implied, for continued assignments, active duty retirement, or other career incentives.

d. Medical

- (1) Pursuant to reference (c), PLC-Law Student Judge Advocates in the Individual Ready Reserve (IRR) rate full TRICARE coverage for themselves, but not for their dependents prior to their first period of active duty over thirty days. PLC-Law Student Judge Advocates on summer internship orders over thirty days will rate full TRICARE coverage for themselves and their dependents during the duration of the orders. Upon completion of summer internship orders, PLC-Law Student Judge Advocates may lose individual TRICARE coverage while in the Individual Ready Reserve under Department of Defense guidance interpreting reference (c).
- (2) In accordance with reference (d), if not otherwise complete, within ten days of the commencement of orders PLC-Law Student Judge Advocates must complete a Preliminary Health Assessment or another acceptable form of approved medical documentation.
- e. <u>Physical Fitness</u>. In accordance with reference (e), PLC-Law Student Judge Advocates activated on orders for a summer internship are required to comply with the active component annual PFT and CFT requirements.
- f. <u>Transportation</u>. PLC-Law Student Judge Advocates are not to begin traveling to their expected summer internship location in advance of receipt of their summer internship orders. Additionally, MCRC will not reimburse the use of rental cars for the duration of summer internships.

4. Action

a. G-3 Officer Programs, MCRC

- (1) Maintain cognizance of the summer internship requests and program.
- (2) Ensure that all PLC-Law Student Judge Advocates authorized for summer internships have accurate component codes, and that transfer entries are run to the correct Reporting Unit Code (RUC).
- (3) Upon completion of summer internships, assist with returning officers to the correct RUC.
 - (4) Assist with orders and travel claims as needed.

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b. PLC-Law Program Manager

- (1) Manage PLC-Law Student Judge Advocate summer internship application packages.
- (2) Select participants and assign them to summer internship locations.
- (3) Notify G-3 OP, MCRC of the PLC-Law Student Judge Advocates selected for summer internships.
- (4) Coordinate with MCRC G-1 to issue orders for the PLC-Law Student Judge Advocates' summer internship assignments, and ensure their receipt.
 - (5) Assist G-3 OP, MCRC in the completion of its specified tasks.
- c. <u>Eastern and Western Recruiting Regions</u>. Ensure that all eligible PLC-Law Student Judge Advocates are notified of the contents of this Fast Response on Short Transmission (FROST) Call.
- d. <u>District Commanders</u>. Ensure that all OSOs notify PLC-Law Student Judge Advocates of the information contained in this FROST Call, and provide assistance to eligible PLC-Law Student Judge Advocates applying for a summer internship.

e. OSOs

- (1) Ensure PLC-Law Student Judge Advocates are notified of the information contained in this FROST call, and provide assistance to eligible PLC-Law Student Judge Advocates applying for a summer internship.
- (2) Ensure requesting PLC-Law Student Judge Advocates properly complete their application, and submit it to PLC Law Program Manager, G-3 OP, MCRC via their respective OSO.
- (3) Endorse the summer internship request and forward it to G-3 OP, MCRC no later than 45 days prior to the requested internship start date.

f. PLC-Law Student Judge Advocates

- (1) If desired, submit a summer internship request, enclosure (1), to the PLC Law Program Manager, G-3 OP, MCRC with OSO endorsement. Officers must make all necessary changes to enclosure (1) before submitting the request, including providing all required information and removing all highlighting. Submissions should be made in .pdf document format.
- (a) Provide a current law school transcript. First-year law students must provide a law school transcript once first semester grades are released.
- (b) Provide a personal statement explaining reasons for requesting a summer internship and any other factors believed important to selection and subsequent assignment to a particular duty station, if one is requested.
- (2) If selected for a summer internship, acknowledge receipt of orders and advise your OSO prior to reporting to your summer internship base or station.

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- 5. The point of contact for the PLC-Law Summer Internship Initiative is the PLC-Law Program Manager, MCRC, Captain Geoffrey L. Irving, USMC. Captain Irving can be reached by telephone at (703) 432-9262, or by e-mail at Geoffrey.irving@marines.usmc.mil.
- 6. This FROST Call will terminate on 30 September 2021.