Organization: Van Ness Feldman
Sponsor: Adam Gravley ’84 Major: History
City, State, Country: Seattle, WA, United States
Website: www.vn.com
Externship Title: Water Lawyer Shadow
Duration: 2 weeks (June or July)
Position Description: Adam Gravley practices water resources law at a 14-lawyer private firm in downtown Seattle. Extern will shadow Adam for 2 weeks, including client and office conferences, public meetings, and whatever happens to arise. Adam’s practice involves some litigation, but he does not appear in court often. Instead, the legal practice involves counseling, strategic advising, permitting, transactional work, policy and legislative analysis, negotiations, and dispute resolution. He spends significant time at the office analyzing issues, drafting documents, conferring with clients, brainstorming and strategizing with colleagues, and organizing for out-of-office activities. The office environment is business casual, collegial, and collaborative, where work and fun are both valued. In addition to observing Adam, the Extern will have own work station and will be a functioning member of the office team. In addition, there will likely be opportunities to attend court hearings or higher profile events with Adam and other lawyers at the firm. As explained in more detail on our website, our firm has announced a merger with another law firm that will be implemented during 2012. There is a possibility that we may be in different offices than the above address. However, we are excited about the merger, and the combined law firm will offer expanded opportunities for the Extern.
Requirements: Extern should be interested in law and/or environmental policy. Extern should have good oral and written communication skills, and should be motivated to improve both. Extern must comply with strict confidentiality rules and practices.
Min. GPA required: 2.0000

Other IMPORTANT Information

STIPEND:
Extern receives $15/day from the CCPD to help cover a small portion of actual expenses incurred during externship.

TRAVEL FUNDS:
Available when externship is at least 100 miles from campus or extern’s home.

• CCPD provides 50% cost for Plane/Train/Bus Travel
• CCPD provides small travel stipend for driving expenses to and from externship (does not include commuting to and from externship)

For more information, visit: http://reason.kzoo.edu/ccd/programs/externships/financial/
**HOMESTAY Information**

**FAMILY MEMBER(s):**
Catherine Adams '83, daughter Alexandra '13, (may or may not be around); daughter Ryan (18 yrs)

**LIFESTYLE:**
Busy and active, but seeking summertime joys and relaxation. Adam’s workdays vary in length, with some long days at the office, evening meetings, or leaving early in nice weather. Catherine teaches school and is finishing a graduate degree. Daughter Ryan has many activities. Most nights, the family will eat dinner together at home. Our home is located about 12 miles north of Seattle in a residential neighborhood, a pleasant but hilly 1-mile walk to shopping and bus transportation. In the summer, the Seattle day is long, with sunlight well into the evening; leisure time generally involves outdoor activities and exercise.

**PETS:**
Ella (9 yrs, world’s friendliest black lab)

**MEALS:**
Breakfast and dinner will be provided. Lunch on your own most days.

**DAILY TRANSPORTATION:**
Provided

**ACCOMMODATIONS AND HOME ENVIRONMENT:**
Extern will have own bedroom with a (mostly) private bathroom, on a floor downstairs from other family members.