

ADL NEW YORK/NEW JERSEY'S LAWYERS DIVISION

ADL New York/New Jersey's Lawyers Division works to unite members of the legal community who are committed to supporting ADL's mission. Comprised of prominent individual practitioners and attorneys from leading firms and corporations, the Lawyers Division provides invaluable support for ADL's legal positions and initiatives. Engaging with and empowering the broader legal community, the Lawyers Division provides a range of meaningful educational and service opportunities and advances ADL's mission through philanthropic leadership and community outreach.



SUMMER ASSOCIATE RESEARCH PROGRAM

ADL NY/NJ's Edward Brodsky Summer Associate Research Program is a memo writing competition that exposes emerging attorneys to ADL's mission and the importance of pro bono work. It also provides participants the opportunity to assist ADL with legal research on important civil rights issues.



SUPREME COURT REVIEW

ADL's Annual Supreme Court Review is held in partnership with the National Constitution Center. Every year, renowned legal scholars discuss the Supreme Court's recent decisions and preview Supreme Court activity for the coming year. ADL NY/NJ hosts a live stream of the event and provides CLE credits to attendees.



NEVER IS NOW

Never Is Now is ADL's Annual Summit on Antisemitism and Hate. This virtual, multi-day conference focuses on understanding the contemporary drivers and dynamics of antisemitism. The Edward Brodsky CLE track provides an opportunity to earn CLE credits while hearing from experts on hate crimes legislation and online hate and harassment.



AMICUS BRIEFS

Amicus curiae briefs have proven to be one of the most effective means of addressing both antisemitism and discrimination against Jews and to eradicate bias and bigotry against all people. Members of the Division will have the opportunity to draft and review amicus briefs in support of furthering ADL's mission.



LEGAL RESEARCH

Each year, ADL NY/NJ's Lawyers Division will participate in a unique ADL research project designed for the Division. Additionally, members of the Division have the opportunity to assist ADL's policy team by conducting legal research for ADL on various issues.

ADL / AT A GLANCE

Founded in 1913, our timeless mission remains the same: "To stop the defamation of the Jewish people and secure justice and fair treatment to all."

What We Fight

~~ANTI-SEMITISM~~

In 1913 we stepped forward and spoke out against widespread attacks against Jews in the media, in the courts and in society. Today, we continue our unyielding support of Jews worldwide. We speak out and stand up against antisemitism in classrooms, online and on the streets. Our vigilance knows no bounds.

~~EXTREMISM~~

We fight extremism and abject hate with extensive reach and resources. We vigilantly monitor and investigate individuals and organizations that actively promote hate-filled ideological beliefs and a need for action. We are a global authority on extremism and our efforts are unrelenting.

~~BIGOTRY, BIAS & DISCRIMINATION~~

We confront hate in all its forms to keep it from escalating. We deliver on this issue with authority and discipline—for example, we helped craft the first model hate crime legislation in the United States. We will work to stand up for those who are vulnerable in order to help create a world free from hate.

~~CYBERHATE~~

Hate lives out in the open and hides in the far corners of the web. And so, we search, investigate, monitor and analyze its online presence around the clock. We work with companies whose platforms may disseminate hate speech to prevent that hate from coming to life. From bullying to religious discrimination to civil rights abuses, we root out and remove hatred from screens everywhere.

How We Work

INVESTIGATE AND RESEARCH

ADL tracks extremism of all kinds and releases original research on trends in hate both offline and online – from the role of misogyny in white supremacy to the potential for artificial intelligence to identify hateful comments.

EDUCATE AND TRAIN

ADL is one of the largest providers in the U.S. of anti-bias and bullying prevention education in schools, with our trainers and curriculum reaching 2.8 million school children annually. We are also the largest trainer of law enforcement in the U.S. on hate crimes and bias, training an estimated 15,000 officers every year, including all first-year FBI agents and NYPD officers.

ADVOCATE AND ASSIST

ADL works with elected officials and policy makers at the federal, state and local levels to ensure they protect the civil rights of all Americans. We have spearheaded victories including the creation of hate crime laws in 45 states and filed legal briefs in some of the nation's most important civil rights cases. We also work with social media platforms to advocate for changes that reduce cyberhate. Finally, we engage diverse coalitions, companies and individuals to amplify our message and join others in the fight against hate and bias.

How We Defend Civil Rights

ADL has historically been on the front lines when it comes to fighting for equality and justice. This challenge is part of our own story. ADL's founding coincided with vicious antisemitic incidents which dramatized the hate and demonization of the "other" in the first half of the 20th century.

Our values inspire our efforts to stand with and fight on behalf of all groups who experience discrimination. ADL pursues fair treatment for all through legislatures, the courts and the public square - both federally and at the grassroots level.

We imagine a world characterized by justice and respect for all people. Every time you stand with ADL, you get us one step closer to ensuring justice and fair treatment for all.

