



**PUBLIC SERVICE
COMMISSION**

District of Columbia

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SUMMER INTERNSHIP PROGRAM

SUMMER 2021



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Greetings from the **Public Service Commission of the District of Columbia!** We invite you to apply to our Summer Internship Program and learn more about the exciting work of clean energy regulation.

The Commission's mission is to serve the public interest by ensuring the financially healthy utility companies provide safe, reliable and quality utility services at reasonable rates for District of Columbia customers, while fostering grid modernization, conservation of natural resources, preservation of environmental quality, and advancement of the District's climate policy commitments.

Residing in one of the nation's leading cities in clean energy and energy conservation, the Commission realizes the significance of our regulatory role in the District. We strive to uphold the mission by:

- Conserving natural resources and preserving environmental quality
- Protecting consumers to ensure public safety, reliability, and quality services
- Regulating monopoly services to ensure their rates are just and reasonable
- Fostering fair and open competition among service providers
- Resolving disputes among consumers and service providers
- Educating consumers and informing the public

The Commission is seeking student interns with an interest in the environment and energy regulation. The selected intern(s) will have the opportunity to work in various areas of energy regulation, including law, engineering, economics, environmental studies, communications, human resources, and information technology.

This invitation accompanies our internship announcement and students attending accredited universities in the District of Columbia are strongly encouraged to apply.

For initial consideration, please email a cover letter, resume, three references, and an unofficial transcript to Natalie Taylor at ntaylor@psc.dc.gov by close of business on April 16, 2021.

Should you have any questions or would like more information about the Commission's Internship Program, email Management Liaison Specialist Sophia Pryce at spryce@psc.dc.gov.

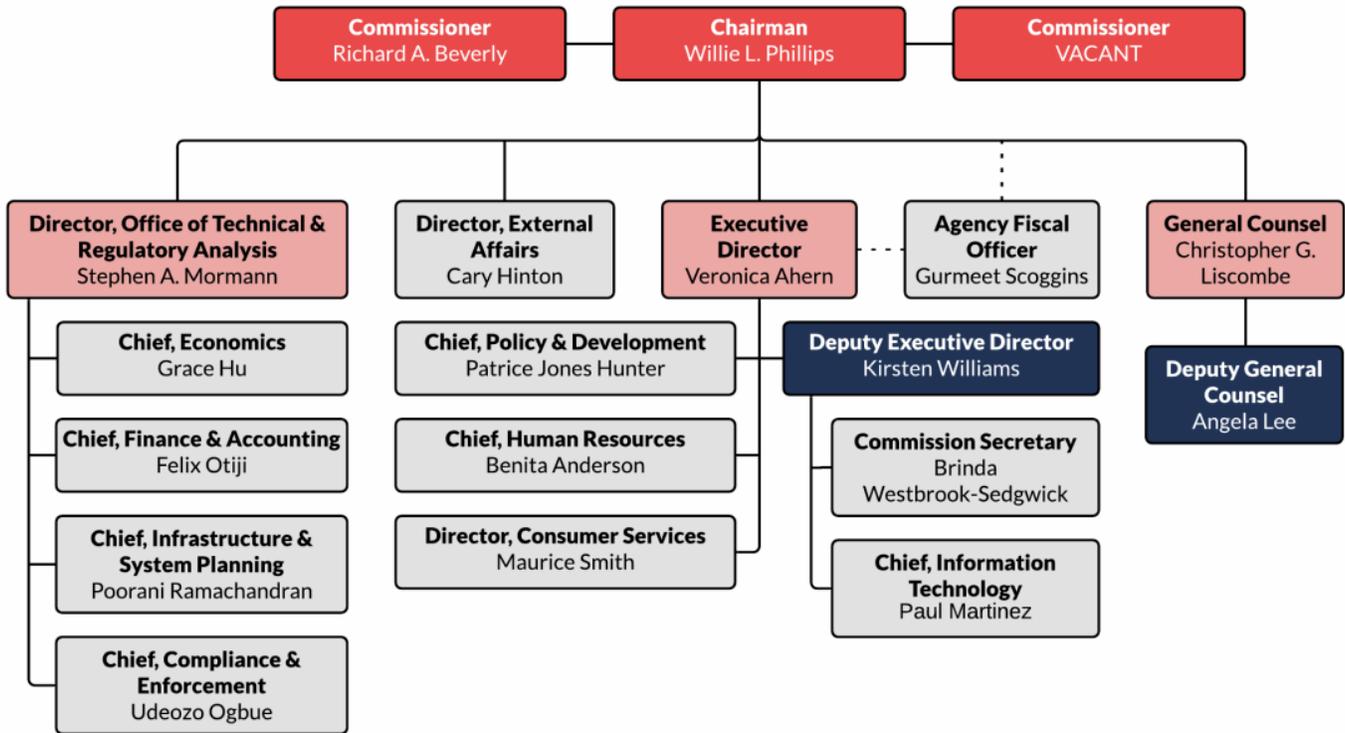
The Commission looks forward to welcoming you to our team!

Sincerely,

Veronica Ahern
Executive Director
Public Service Commission of the District of Columbia

Commission structure and key offices

The DCPSC has 85.6 full-time positions organized into 10 offices, all headed by a Chairperson and two Commissioners.



Office of the General Counsel

The Office of the General Counsel (OGC) is responsible for all legal issues involving the day-to-day operations of the Commission, as well as a broad spectrum of issues that relate to the Commission's regulatory responsibilities. OGC represents and advises the Commission on all actions and proceedings set forth in the enabling statute or any other legislation. The staff of attorneys prepare orders, advisory memoranda, and assist the Commissioners in conducting all proceedings of the Commission.

Office of Technical and Regulatory Analysis

The Director of the Office of Technical & Regulatory Analysis (OTRA) advises the Commissioners on accounting, economic, engineering and financial issues in formal cases that are before the Commission. OTRA staff also monitor electric, natural gas and local telecommunications markets at the retail and wholesale levels. Additionally, OTRA conducts compliance reviews and audits and manages formal cases and investigations. Staff conduct annual surveys to gauge the status of local competition in the District.

Office of Policy & Development

Responsible for identifying emerging trends in regulated industries and developing resources and processes to enable successful implementation of Commission initiatives, OPAD is the Commission's "innovation champion," both substantively and organizationally.



Working at the Commission



Poorani Ramachandran, P.E.
*Chief, Office of Infrastructure
and System Planning*

The DCPSC takes pride in having a diversified team of skilled individuals. I have great pleasure in working with my fellow Commission staff who are not only very knowledgeable in economics, engineering, finance, policy and legal matters, but more than willing to share that knowledge. I always have the opportunity to express my views and to bring new ideas to facilitate the continued growth of our organization. I am very happy and proud to be part of the DCPSC.



Patrice Jones Hunter
Chief, Policy & Development

The thought of working for an agency that directly impacts our energy future really appealed to me. It quickly became clear that this is not the typical government agency. I enjoy working beside the brightest minds in the industry and supporting clean energy policy decisions. I have been with the DCPSC for six years and am able to utilize my experience while gaining new insights from my colleagues. I know my ideas are taken into consideration which has allowed me to grow and develop professionally.





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CLOSING DATE: April 16, 2021

The Public Service Commission of the District of Columbia is seeking interns to work in various areas of energy regulation, including the fields of law, environmental studies, engineering, economics, communications, and information technology.

The Commission is an independent, quasi-judicial agency in the District of Columbia Government. The mission of the Commission is to serve the public interest by ensuring that financially healthy utility companies provide safe, reliable, and quality utility services at reasonable rates for District of Columbia customers while fostering grid modernization, conservation of natural resources, preservation of environmental quality, and advancement of the District's climate policy commitments.

The interns will have the opportunity to work on groundbreaking matters such as grid modernization, transportation electrification, environmental economics, infrastructure projects, and community engagement. Throughout the summer, interns will also contribute to Commission initiatives, such as the diversity and inclusion project and public awareness campaigns like [#Here2HelpDC](#).

Individual responsibilities could include attending community hearings, providing communications support for various events, reviewing environment and energy-related policies and procedures, providing input on Commission webpages and social media, offering recommendations to various Commission offices, and communicating with stakeholders from Washington Gas, Pepco, and DC Government agencies.

[Learn more about the DCPSC organizational structure and offices.](#)

Qualifications

The internship is open to students currently enrolled in an undergraduate/graduate-level program or recently graduated (in the past 12 months) from a local university or college within the District of Columbia. Interns majoring in law, communications, economics, engineering, environmental studies, finance, and/or business administration will be considered.

Apply

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