Legal Internship/Externship with Mérieux NutriSciences (Chicago, Illinois)

Mérieux NutriSciences (“MXNS”) is the leading multinational food safety and quality service provider. It is a private, US-company, operating more than 100 accredited laboratories in 27 countries. MXNS provides analytical testing, consulting, auditing, research, and training solutions to companies in the international food sector, and it has over 8,000 employees globally.

The Legal Affairs Department manages and supports the business on a variety of matters, including commercial transactions, corporate governance, compliance, risk management, insurance, and mergers and acquisitions. The Legal Affairs Department is composed of ten full-time attorneys, two part-time attorneys, and two paralegal globally.

MXNS has a long-standing legal internship/externship program. Since its inception in 2010, the program has had over 20 interns/externs in the U.S. The program is modeled after a law firm summer associate program, but redefined to fit the unique rigors of an in-house legal department. The program is highly collaborative, and interns/externs will work directly with all members of the Legal Affairs Department, including our attorneys and interns that are outside of the U.S, on any or all of the following:

- Drafting, analyzing, and providing counsel on a wide variety of commercial agreements;
- Providing advice to senior management on legal implications of business decisions and a range of employment-related matters;
- Researching corporate governed issues impacting global operations;
- Developing and implementing processes and digital tools to promote accountability for legal and regulatory compliance;
- Providing as-needed guidance to other functions, including Finance, Operations, and Information Technology;
- Assisting in several aspects of our mergers and acquisitions program, including participating in deal structuring calls, due diligence review, and drafting sessions of definitive acquisition documentation; and
- Assisting in the management of outside law firms and legal resources.

MXNS’s Associate General Counsel and Corporate Counsel co-manage the program and actively oversee, assign, and support the interns/externs with assignments. Interns/externs will be expected to work in the corporate office part of the time.

Qualifications:

Applicants should be 2Ls or 3Ls.

To Apply:

Applicants should submit a cover letter, resume, and transcript (unofficial on-line transcript is acceptable) to:

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