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UNIVERSITY OF BALTIMORE LAW STUDENT AWARDED PRESTIGIOUS PEGGY BROWNING FELLOWSHIP

Philadelphia, PA, June 15, 2017 - The Peggy Browning Fund has awarded a 10-week summer fellowship to William Suggs, a second-year student at University of Baltimore School of Law. William will spend the fellowship working at UFCW International Union in Washington, DC. The application process is highly competitive, and the award is a tribute to his outstanding qualifications.

In 2017, the Peggy Browning Fund will support over 80 public interest labor law fellowships nationwide. Securing a Peggy Browning Fellowship is not an easy task, with nearly 400 applicants this year competing for the honor. Peggy Browning Fellows are distinguished students who have not only excelled in law school but who have also demonstrated their commitment to workers' rights through their previous educational, work, volunteer and personal experiences. William certainly fits this description.

Will grew up in the city of St. Louis but spent the past eight years on the east coast pursuing an education and career. Before entering law school, he worked as a researcher and union organizer with the American Federation of Teachers. As an organizer, he assisted a successful campaign to defeat legislation that would have stripped collective bargaining rights away from charter school teachers in Baltimore. He was also a part of a campaign in Pittsburgh which earned union recognition for adjunct faculty at a local community college. Last summer, Will interned at the regional office of the National Labor Relations Board in Baltimore. At school, he is an active member of the National Lawyers Guild chapter, through which he volunteers as a legal observer to help local groups express their political views with the fewest possible consequences from the criminal justice system.

The Peggy Browning Fund is a not for-profit organization established in memory of Margaret A. Browning, a prominent union-side attorney who was a member of the National Labor Relations Board (NLRB) from 1994 until 1997. Peggy Browning Fellowships provide law students with unique, diverse and challenging work experiences fighting for social and economic justice. These experiences encourage and inspire students to pursue careers in public interest labor law.

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