



**Employer Name:** Federal Trade Commission – Bureau of Communications

**Position Title:** Paralegal

**Location - City, State:** Washington, D.C.

**Industry:** Government – Local, State and Federal

### **Job Description**

The Bureau of Competition protects the public from monopolistic or other unfair and anticompetitive behavior by investigating suspected violations of antitrust laws. Paralegals within the Bureau of Competition work closely with attorneys investigating and litigating anticompetitive effects of proposed mergers as well as monopolistic conduct by dominant corporations. Paralegals have the opportunity to become familiar with the legal and economic methodology used by attorneys in the Bureau of Competition during the course of various antitrust investigations and litigation. Paralegals may also acquire, as a beneficial by-product of Commission investigations, extensive knowledge of a wide range of industries and business practices during the course of their legal and business research.

The Bureau of Consumer Protection safeguards America's consumers from unfair, deceptive and fraudulent practices. The Bureau investigates law violations, litigates enforcement actions, conducts rulemaking proceedings, gathers information through public events, and disseminates consumer and business education. The Bureau's work includes halting large-scale internet and telemarketing fraud, enforcing the nation's truth-in-advertising laws, safeguarding consumers' privacy, investigating data security practices, and stopping abusive financial practices. Paralegals within the Bureau of Consumer Protection are teamed up with attorneys to conduct investigations, and may, among other assignments, review consumer complaints, interview potential witnesses, assess fraud trends, gather evidence online or from mobile devices, conduct research, assist in litigation preparation, analyze financial data, review comments on proposed rules, and assist with workshops and other public events.

**Duration:** Permanent

**Job Functions:** Legal

**Employer Description:** One of the "Best Places to Work in the Federal Government," the Federal Trade Commission is the place to be for talented attorneys, law students, and honors paralegals who are passionate about antitrust law, preserving competitive markets, and protecting American consumers. Bureau of Competition attorneys are among the best in the antitrust world and their work ensures that our markets are open and free, allowing for lower prices and better quality goods and services. The FTC is an independent agency, and the Bureau of Competition is dedicated to preventing anticompetitive mergers and business conduct that can lead to higher prices, reduced service, less innovation, and fewer choices for consumers. Our attorneys, paralegals, and interns work with economists in collaborative teams to investigate unlawful business practices and, when necessary, bring cases through the Commission's administrative process or in federal court. Our collegial and inclusive work environment, early opportunities to take on meaningful assignments, commitment to training and professional development, and



excellent federal benefits package are among the key reasons why we have been consistently named a “Top 10 Agency” by the Partnership for Public Service.

**Employer Locations:** Washington, D.C.

**Allowed School Years:** Senior

**Allowed Majors:** All majors allowed

**Work Authorization Requirements:** US Work Authorization Required