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[Now accepting internship applications](#) April 14, 2015 release date

SCOTUSblog is now accepting applications from current law students interested in interning with us. Details about the position's qualifications and responsibilities, as well as how to apply, are below the jump.

The principal focus of the internship (which is a paid one) will be assisting Tom with the "Petition of the day" and "Petitions to watch" features on the blog and maintaining the case pages. This will require roughly ten to twenty hours of work a week on a generally flexible work schedule, which can be accomplished remotely. The position will begin in mid-May, and the expected commitment would be through May 2016.

To qualify for the position, you must:

- * Have a strong academic record
- * Be currently enrolled in a J.D. or LL.M program (undergraduates are not eligible)
- * Have a strong interest in learning about the U.S. Supreme Court and its workings
- * Have some experience working with (or at least interest in) blog or website technology
- * Have demonstrated excellent writing and editing skills
- * Have excellent organizational skills and attention to detail

To apply, please send us the following materials:

- * Cover letter
- * Resume
- * Contact information for two references
- * A writing sample of no more than five double-spaced pages that has not been edited by anyone other than you
- * An official or unofficial law school transcript.

Application materials should be sent to Kali Borkoski at kborkoski@scotusblog.com and Andrew Hamm (ahamm@scotusblog.com). Materials must be received by April 21 for consideration.

UABA BLOG

Andriy J. Semotiuk [The Ukraine Crisis: A Humanitarian Response Through Immigration](#)

The Russian invasion of Ukraine continues to escalate, with rising military, economic and social costs. In the last year, thousands of people have been killed in the fighting in Eastern Ukraine, with over ten thousand injured and almost one million Ukrainians displaced. Indeed, the conflict marked its one year anniversary with reports of more Ukrainian soldiers being killed.

The harshness of the conflict and the fear it instills in civilians was brought home to me last week when I got a call from a woman named Iryna. She has two small children in Mariupol, Ukraine. She complained that, not far away, Russian soldiers were gathering for what she believed was an upcoming invasion heading towards her home in Mariupol, a city that has been in the news a lot lately:

The crisis has now reached stalemate. The ceasefire brokered by Ukraine, Russia, Germany and France in mid-February is still in force, though deaths are reported almost daily among Ukrainian soldiers, civilians and rebels. Large swaths of the industrial east, including and Luhansk, are under the control of the rebels and Kiev fears they could be preparing to try to

take Mariupol, a city of 500,000 people. Iryna asked me if there was anything I could do to help her family escape any upcoming attacks. The sad reality was that there was nothing practical that I could offer to her.

[General Wesley Clark: Exclusive Briefing from Ukraine's Front Lines](#)

[Watch the full webcast here.](#)

ABA LAW JOURNAL

[Making the Bible the official book of Tennessee would violate Constitution, state AG says](#)

A legal opinion by Tennessee Attorney General Herbert Slatery says a proposal to make the Bible the official book of Tennessee would violate the state constitution.

[A 10,000-lawyer law firm? There is 'no logical end' to Dentons' expansion, its global CEO says](#)

The world's largest law firm aims to get bigger as it seeks to replicate the Big Four accounting firm model.

KYIV POST NEWS FEED

[International Business Times: Scared by Russia, Eastern European countries rush to spend on defense](#)

Within the next three weeks, Poland will make one of the largest defense purchases in the history of Eastern Europe, ordering an anti-missile defense system that may cost up to \$10 billion. The order, which is likely to be awarded to U.S. company Raytheon or a European manufacturer, is one of the major steps in the country's 10-year, \$42 billion defense overhaul plan - and it highlights a rush to pour money into defense by the formerly communist nations of Eastern Europe, whose fear of a newly aggressive Russia is driving a rearmament push not seen on the continent since the Cold War.

[Wall Street Journal: New fighting threatens Ukraine truce](#) A sharp uptick in fighting between government troops and Russia-backed rebels in eastern Ukraine claimed at least seven lives in the last 24 hours, highlighting the continued volatility despite a two-month-old truce.

[Russian Court Starts Hearings Against Dzhemilev's Son](#)

A court in the Russian city of Krasnodar has started hearings into the case against a son of veteran Crimean Tatar leader Mustafa Dzhemilev.

[Six Ukrainian Soldiers Killed In Attacks](#)

April 14, 2015 Six soldiers have been killed and 12 injured as fighting has flared in eastern Ukraine in the past 24 hours, despite a cease-fire.

UKRAINIAN LAW JOURNAL NEWS FEED

[КСУ визнав безпелеяційні рішення місцевих судів неконституційними](#)

Конституційний суд рекомендував Верховній Раді врегулювати це питання.

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[Глава ВСУ пройшов люстраційну перевірку](#)

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