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**Position Summary:**
This is a two-year fellowship that will focus on projects designed to address global warming, improve air and water quality, and promote clean energy through litigation and advocacy in the Midwest. She or he will work primarily on state and federal litigation to encourage the retirement or clean up of existing coal-fired power plants, along with challenging proposed new coal facilities, and advocacy on legislative and regulatory proposals regarding air, water, and climate protection.

**Essential Functions:**
The fellow will work with NRDC’s lawyers in the Midwest Program and Litigation Team, along with allied organizations, to engage in all phases of litigation, from case development through trial and appeals. The fellow may also engage in some administrative advocacy and policy and legislative analysis. The fellow will also have some responsibility for building and maintaining relationships with advocates at other environmental organizations working on coal, climate, and air and water quality issues.

**Skills and Knowledge Requirements:**
The successful candidate will have graduated from law school within the past three years and must be licensed to practice law. Exceptional legal writing and analytical skills are required. Relevant litigation experience, such as a federal court clerkship, is a plus, as is a demonstrated commitment to public service or public-interest lawyering.

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