

Intern Position  
Gano & Associates  
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### **The Position**

Gano and Associates, a lobbying firm in Olympia, is seeking an intern to assist them for the 2009 legislative session.

Specifically, we would like to develop a new tracking program that would score legislators based on the bills they introduce and their ability to get them through the legislative process. This will require a review of all the legislation introduced in the House and Senate, score the bill based on its positive or negative impact on business and provide a relative ranking of all 98 members of the House and 49 members of the Senate.

### **Duties and responsibilities**

The individual would work with me daily to review bills and discuss their merits or harmful effects on business. He or she would also need to solicit input from a variety of other business lobbyists and trade associations on subject matters I may not be knowledgeable of.

I will also need assistance in the day to day maintenance of client bill tracking lists.

The successful candidate will also be given the opportunity to join us in coalition strategy meetings as well as meetings with legislators and staff. He or She will also be asked to attend legislative hearings to observe and report back what occurred at the hearing.

He or she will also have the opportunity to join us in social functions where there will be interactions with other lobbyists and legislators.

### **Minimum Requirements**

The successful candidate will need to be a self starter able to operate in a professional environment with good direction but not constant supervision. Good computer, writing, and legal/legislative analytical skills are a must. Some experience in Web design would be helpful. The candidate must also have the ability to interact with others both professionally and socially with individuals and groups with diverse opinions. The ability to maintain confidentiality is critical.

### **Time Frame and Pay**

The job would start the second week of January and run until the end April. A small stipend of \$1,000 per month will be provided.

Upon the completion of the legislative session the intern will have a thorough understanding of the legislative process and an opportunity to help create a new tool to rate the effectiveness of individual members of the legislature.

### **A Little About Us**

Gano & Associates is a contract lobbying firm that specializes in representing business clients before the Washington State Legislature. We have been in business for 18 years and 2009 will be our 19<sup>th</sup> session. The firm consists of Steve and Kathy Gano, a husband and wife team. Our current client list includes Accenture, AT&T, Baxter Health Care, Glacier Northwest, Goodrich Aviation, Longview Fibre, Aviation and Technical Services, Key Bank, Miller Brewing, Coors Brewing, Premera Blue Cross, Shell Oil, Suncadia Resorts, Wal-Mart and Wells Fargo Bank.

### **Contact Information**

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