



Deputy Research Director/Research Associate

End Citizens United's Mission: To combat Big Money in politics and dismantle our rigged political system by electing campaign finance reform champions and passing state ballot measures. These champions will work toward overturning Citizens United, ending unlimited money in politics, and ending Dark Money. We'll work towards the mission by: electing pro-reform candidates, raising the issue of money in politics as a national priority, and using grassroots membership to demonstrate political power on the issue of money in politics.

Reports to: Research Director

Job Summary: The Deputy Research Director or Research Associate reports to the Research Director, and is responsible for assisting in executing original research efforts for the organization. Position title will depend on level of experience. These efforts will include but not be limited to: creating campaign finance centric research on targeted candidates, daily candidate monitoring, and creatively conducting campaign finance related research as needed. This position will work independently on projects with editing and oversight from the Research Director. Level of autonomy will depend on experience level, but position will have lots of room to grow and contribute to original research ideas.

Primary Responsibilities:

- **Research projects needed for ECU's priority races (Senate and House)**
 - Conduct research on our candidates:
 - Build out and continually update research on our candidates' policy positions, accomplishments, and overall record related to money in politics
 - Conduct research on our targets:
 - Build out research on our targets' policy positions and overall record related to money in politics, execute targeted research projects that have hard deadlines
 - Devise opposition research projects on targets related to campaign finance, ethics, transparency, and other similar issues
 - Conduct daily monitoring of candidates:
 - Write daily bullets on target candidates and issues
 - Maintain running documents with campaign finance reform background, including votes and bill co-sponsorships
- **Research on money in politics**
 - Support ECU's goal of raising the issue of money in politics as a national priority
 - Devise and conduct research on super PACs and dark money groups as needed
 - Highlight the negative effects of unlimited and undisclosed spending
 - Draw connections between the influence of super PACs / dark money groups and the actions of elected officials or candidates
 - Expose improprieties related to campaign finance, ethics, transparency, and other similar issues
- **Overall responsibilities:**
 - Conduct condensed research projects on targeted candidates' campaign finance reform positions and record, go through editing and finalization process with Research Director
 - Daily candidate bullets
 - Remain aware of news and legislative priorities that effect organization's core issues
 - Work with other departments as needed on ad-hoc projects
 - Help supervise any research interns

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