We are a Washington, D.C. agricultural consulting firm looking for a student research assistant from University of Maryland MD that would be interested in a summer program researching broad spectrum soil alternatives to methyl bromide and other soil fumigants. We are looking for a temporary assistant to investigate the work done to explore past and current research into non-chemical alternatives to methyl bromide that specialty crop growers can take advantage of. Interested students should be studying plant science and be able to work in-person at our Washington, D.C. office located at 512 C St NE on Capitol Hill.

The project would last approximately ten weeks and the program would start immediately upon hiring. The focus of research would be studies found in works published by USDA agencies, international organizations, and previous farm bills. The compensation would be $20.00 per hour, seven hours a day.

Interested applicants should send their resume to rschramm@swaconsult.com by May 31. The firm’s background information can be found on the following pages.
Schramm, Williams & Associates, Inc. is involved in representing members of the agricultural community, food industry, and other clients at the federal, state and international government levels. The firm was established in 1984.

Schramm & Williams has worked on a wide variety of issues which affect agriculture and food products, including: international trade, water supply and quality, natural resources, federal appropriations, sanitary and phytosanitary problems, pesticides, food safety, crop insurance, intellectual property rights, energy, Endangered Species Act, taxes, tax-exempt matters, marketing orders, federal export programs, labor, government purchasing programs, U.S. Customs issues, and others.

Robert (Bob) Schramm - Bob has several decades of international agricultural experience in Washington, D.C. He came to Washington to work for his state's U.S. Senator, Herman E. Talmadge, as a legislative assistant. The Senator served on the Committees of Agriculture, Finance and Joint Economic. Senator Talmadge was one of four U.S. Senate delegates for the Kennedy Round and Bob served as his staff assistant for the Round. Following his tenure on Capitol Hill, Bob was involved in agri-business in Washington, D.C.

In 1984, Bob founded Schramm, Williams & Associates, Inc., where he developed a focus on agricultural issues. He oversees work involving domestic and international agricultural programs impacting the firm’s clients. He holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Agricultural Economics and a law degree from the University of Georgia. He served on the USDA/USTR Agricultural Policy Advisory Committee 1976-1989, and has served on the USDA/USTR Agricultural Technical Advisory Committee for Trade in Fruits and Vegetables. He served on EPA’s FQPA Implementation Advisory Committee 1996-1997.


Nancy Williams - Nancy has 34 years of experience in Washington. At Schramm & Williams, Nancy has focused on sanitary and phytosanitary matters for specialty crops, issues affecting water supplies for agriculture, natural resources, energy issues impacting agriculture, federal commodity programs, food safety and nutritional issues, U.S. Customs issues, and others. Nancy’s government experience included service in the General Counsel’s office for the Federal Energy Administration (FEA) and the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC), and as majority counsel to the House Energy and Commerce Committee’s Subcommittee on Energy and Power. Nancy holds undergraduate and law degrees from the University of Denver.
**Caley White Crawford**—Caley is responsible for legislative and regulatory projects including the Farm Bills, food safety, and tax matters to name a few. Additionally, she has worked on an international import project in coordinating logistics. She served in the U.S. House Representatives as a staff assistant to Congressmen from the States of Georgia and California, respectively. Caley has been a member of Schramm, Williams & Associates, Inc. since 2006. She holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Agricultural Economics from the University of Georgia.

**Associates** - The firm has several university graduates who are utilized as support staff for the senior associates. The Associates conduct research, attend congressional and federal agency hearings, and perform other tasks needed to accomplish the clients’ goals.

April 2023