

PUBLIC BENEFITS STAFF ATTORNEY-White Plains, NY

LEGAL SERVICES OF THE HUDSON VALLEY

<http://www.lshv.org>

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Job Type: STAFF ATTORNEY

Schedule Type: Full-Time

Overview

Legal Services of the Hudson Valley is a not-for-profit law firm which provides civil legal services to low-income clients in a seven-county region of the lower Hudson Valley in New York State. The White Plains office provides representation to residents of Westchester County, primarily in the areas of housing, domestic violence related legal matters, government benefits, elder law, education, children's law and foreclosure matters.

Founded in 1967, LSHV is the primary provider of free civil legal services to 580,000 eligible poor and low-income individuals in Westchester, Putnam, Dutchess, Orange, Rockland, Sullivan and Ulster counties. LSHV has eight offices, a staff of 130, including 83 attorneys and 19 paralegals. Along with experienced and dedicated volunteer lawyers, LSHV last year handled over 14,200 cases benefiting over 26,170 people including over 9,600 children, and more than 2,500 senior citizens.

Job Description

LSHV has an immediate opening in our White Plains office for a full time staff attorney to work on public benefits and other matters. The attorney will serve low-income individuals and families living in Westchester County in matters including Medicaid, Food Stamps, Family Assistance, Safety Net Assistance, and unemployment benefits.

Duties of the Position: individual case work, litigation in state and federal courts, and education and outreach efforts directed at community members, advocates and services providers. The person hired will also be expected to adhere to program and case handling standards, funder requirements, the highest professional standards, and be available as a resource to LSHV staff and access to justice communities.

Qualifications

- 0-3 years' experience; member in good standing of the New York State Bar, preferred;
- Demonstrated commitment to serving low-income persons with prior experience in legal services or similar program preferred;
- Excellent people skills;
- Excellent written and verbal communication skills;
- Ability to work effectively with a diverse group of stakeholders; and
- English/Spanish bilingual preferred.

Salary: DOE, union scale, with excellent benefits.

Please apply for the position through our career center by following this link, and include a résumé, cover letter, and writing sample:

https://workforcenow.adp.com/jobs/apply/posting.html?client=LSHVADP&jobId=54015&lang=en_US&source=CC3

Legal Services of the Hudson Valley is proud to be an equal opportunity employer that celebrates our employees' differences. Applicants of diverse race, color, religion, gender, sexual orientation, gender identity, national origin, age, disability and veteran status, are strongly encouraged to apply. Our differences make us better.