

## **FAMILY ATTORNEY POSITION AVAILABLE (Waterbury)**

Connecticut Legal Services, Inc. (CLS) seeks skilled and committed attorney to fill a staff attorney position in its Family Unit initially providing holistic, client-centered legal advocacy for domestic violence survivors seeking restraining orders. The position is covering the family courts in Litchfield & Danbury from CLS's Waterbury office.

Attorneys are expected to:

- maintain an active caseload of representation and advice cases, including regular court and/or administrative hearing appearances
- conduct community outreach remotely and in-person and coordinate with other social service agencies working with our clients
- help identify larger trends and issues for our clients, and work to develop strategies to respond to those trends and issues.

### **QUALIFICATIONS**

- Deep and demonstrated commitment to advocacy on behalf of low-income, vulnerable, and marginalized communities, and to CLS' mission, vision, goals, and values;
- Excellent interpersonal and communication skills, including the ability to write persuasively and clearly and the ability to communicate effectively with diverse populations;
- Demonstrated ability both to collaborate closely with colleagues and also to work independently when necessary;
- Creativity and flexibility in solving problems and meeting challenges;
- Connecticut bar admission or ability to be sworn in to the Connecticut bar.
- Experience in, or connections to, low-income communities and communities of color;
- Knowledge of relevant substantive and procedural law, including courtroom practice and family law.

### **START DATE**

As soon as possible

### **COMPENSATION**

Salary \$61,362-\$120,584, depending on experience; excellent vacation/leave, health, and other benefits.

### **APPLICATION**

Applicants should send a cover letter clearly describing their qualifications, resume, a brief original writing sample, and the names and contact information for three references to [applications@ctlegal.org](mailto:applications@ctlegal.org). CLS invites all applicants to include in their cover letter a statement about how your unique background and/or experiences might contribute to the diversity, cultural vitality, and perspective of our staff and legal services practice.

Applications will be reviewed on a rolling basis and will be accepted until the position is filled. In order to expedite the internal sorting and reviewing process, please type your name (Last, First) and “Family Attorney Application” as the only contents in the subject line of your e-mail.

**ORGANIZATION DESCRIPTION**

CLS is Connecticut’s largest non-profit law firm, providing free legal help to low-income people in areas of law including housing, consumer, elder, family, public benefits, education, immigration, employment, and disability. With a staff of 75 in seven offices across Connecticut, CLS fights for equal justice and improved life opportunities for more than 12,000 people every year.

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