



Neighborhood Legal Services
of Los Angeles County

JOB ANNOUNCEMENT:
Staff Attorney- Shriver Housing Project
December 2021

Join the Neighborhood Legal Services of Los Angeles County (NLSLA) and become part of an energetic team of advocates that provide a wide-range of legal services aimed to address issues that disproportionately impact the poor. These services include litigation, providing training and technical assistance, and community education.

NLSLA is seeking a Shriver Staff Attorney to represent tenants in eviction and/or post judgment proceedings. The Staff Attorney will be an integral part of a dynamic team of advocates at four public interest law offices working on a pilot project examining the impact of legal services on individuals, the court and the community in the Unlawful Detainer system.

The ideal candidate will be a skillful attorney who can excel in a fast-paced, dynamic anti-poverty law practice and is capable of fiercely advocating on behalf of NLSLA clients. The candidate must have a demonstrated passion and commitment to public interest law. Prior experience serving low-income individuals and client groups on housing and eviction matters, with a sensitivity to those in crisis is preferred. The ideal candidate must possess strong research and organizational skills; the ability to effectively communicate verbally and in writing; and well-developed analytical skills. The candidate must be self-motivated with the ability to work independently. Bilingual verbal, reading, and writing proficiency in Spanish is preferred.

Position: Staff Attorney
Work Site: Glendale Office/Stanley Mosk Courthouse

Availability: Availability is Immediate.

Salary: Salary starting at \$68,000 - commensurate with experience. Excellent benefits which include: choice of medical, dental, vision; life and disability insurance plans; 125 plan; 403(b) with employer contribution, loan reimbursement, bilingual pay supplement, sick and vacation pay, and 14 employer-paid holidays.

Duties and Responsibilities: Advocate duties include but not limited to representation of clients at all levels of a housing case such as intake, negotiations, administrative hearings, trial, and appeal; Addressing systemic issues through impact litigation in state and federal court; Working with community partners to develop resources and strategies for protecting homeowners and tenants; providing outreach and education to tenant and community groups; and assist with some training of support staff. This position may also include some work on policy issues related to housing/evictions and affirmative litigation when appropriate. Some travel to other NLSLA branch offices, courts, government agencies, shelters and community-based organizations in Los Angeles County may be required.

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Administrative Offices
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Glendale, CA 91205

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#109
El Monte, CA 91731

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Historic General Hospital
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Qualifications:

Must be licensed and eligible to practice law in California with one to three years of experience in housing law. COVID-19 vaccination is required, which is a condition of employment. Reasonable accommodations will be considered. If you need assistance and/or a reasonable accommodation due to a disability during the application or the recruiting process, please send a request via email to employment@nlsla.org.

About NLSLA:

Neighborhood Legal Services of Los Angeles County (NLSLA) is a steadfast advocate for individuals, families, and communities throughout Los Angeles County. Through a combination of direct representation, impact litigation, policy advocacy, and community education, NLSLA works to reduce the effects of poverty in Los Angeles' low-income communities, support the development of opportunities for individuals and families to move themselves out of poverty, and protect and enforce the legal rights of poor people by ensuring access to our health and justice systems.

Founded in 1965 as part of our nation's War on Poverty, NLSLA is now one of the largest and most comprehensive public interest law firms in California, with a staff of 160+, including 75+ attorneys. NLSLA staff are based in four program offices (Glendale, Pacoima, El Monte and Boyle Heights), courthouses and healthcare centers throughout Los Angeles County. The program's operating budget for 2022 is projected to surpass \$23 million.

Each year NLSLA provides free legal assistance to more than 100,000 individuals through innovative projects that expand access to justice. NLSLA attorneys specialize in areas of the law that disproportionately impact low-income people, including affordable housing and eviction defense, access to public benefits, support for domestic violence victims, access to healthcare, worker and consumer rights, services for justice involved adults and youth, education rights, and employment and training.

To apply:

Forward resume and cover letter to (no phone calls):

Applicants should send a cover letter, resume, and writing sample to:

Lambreni Waddell, Chief of Staff & Interim Director of Human Resources

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