

JOB DESCRIPTION: PROBATE LITIGATION STAFF ATTORNEY

Organization overview

LLA strives to serve its clients in a holistic manner to address clients' legal issues and improve our communities. LLA provides free legal assistance in 17 counties in Michigan through our offices located in Detroit, Pontiac, Southfield, Clinton Township, Warren, Port Huron, and Caro. Our work includes housing, family, consumer, elder, and public benefits law.

Position Overview

LLA is seeking a dedicated lawyer who will advocate and litigate on behalf of low-income clients on probate issues. In addition to individual client representation, staff attorneys are expected to be active in the community through participation in outreach and community organizations. Staff attorneys will treat clients, co-workers, and others with dignity and respect. Attorney will be based in one of our Detroit offices.

Responsibilities

- Provide high quality legal representation to clients in accordance with LLA's Advocacy Manual and Rules of Professional Conduct
- Represent clients on probate and probate related issues, including decedent estates, guardianships, and conservatorships
- Identify, develop, and implement advocacy strategies to address systemic legal problems
- Provide counselling, advice, and other brief services and referrals
- Participate in client outreach and community organizations
- Ensure compliance with funding requirements
- Other duties as assigned

Qualifications

- Juris Doctor
- Three or more years of experience in practice, preferably in Probate Law
- Admission to Michigan Bar (or ability to be admitted through reciprocity)
- Demonstrated commitment to public interest or pro bono work
- Excellent writing and oral communication skills
- Ability to organize, plan, prioritize, meet deadlines, and work under pressure
- Flexibility

Salary

Salary is commensurate with qualifications and includes excellent benefits

To apply, send resume and writing sample to cpeltier@lakeshorelegalaid.org

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