JOB DESCRIPTION: FREE LEGAL AID CLINIC (FLAC) STAFF ATTORNEY

Organization overview:

Lakeshore Legal Aid (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 46 counties in Michigan through our offices located in Detroit, Pontiac, Southfield, Mt. Clemens, Riverview, Dearborn, Warren, Port Huron, and Caro. Our work includes housing, family, and consumer, and public benefits law.

LLA partners with Wayne State Law School in staffing its Free Legal Aid Clinic. The clinic, which is run by a Wayne State law student board, provides family law services to low-income people in Wayne County. FLAC gives priority to clients who are survivors of domestic violence or have been denied access to the legal system.

Position Overview:

LLA is seeking a dedicated lawyer who will supervise students as they advocate and litigate on behalf of low-income clients in Family law cases. In addition to student supervision and 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, students and others with dignity and respect.

Job Responsibilities:

- Provide high quality legal representation to clients in accordance with LLA's Advocacy Manual and Rules of Professional Conduct.
- Supervise students' legal work, including litigation.
- 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 Family 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, including medical, dental, vision, retirement plan, short-term and long-term disability, life insurance and AD&D.

To apply, send cover letter, resume and writing sample to resumes@lakeshorelegalaid.org.

LLA values diversity and is an equal opportunity employer.