

Queens Legal Services (QLS) seeks interns for Summer 2024. Queens Legal Services (QLS) fights poverty and seeks racial, social, and economic justice for low-income New Yorkers through the provision of civil legal services and other advocacy. We are a part of Legal Services NYC, the nation's largest civil legal aid provider. We are currently accepting intern applications for Summer 2024 in the following programs:

- **The Access to Education Project** provides legal support to children and their families with special education matters, including the administrative hearing process, and in disciplinary matters.
- **The Family Law Advocacy Project** provides legal and support services to survivors of intimate partner violence with family legal matters pending in Queens courts.
- **The Government Benefits Project** provides advice and legal representation to clients applying for or continuing to receive many types of public benefits, including SNAP, Medicaid & Medicare, Social Security Disability, and Supplemental Security Income (SSI).
- **The Homeowner & Consumer Rights Project** represents homeowners in foreclosure proceedings and in matters arising from predatory lending, tax liens, and reverse mortgages, as well as assisting homeowners with estate planning to secure intergenerational wealth. We also assist consumers with debt collection issues such as student loans, nursing home debt, and credit card collection lawsuits.
- **The Housing Rights Project** fights to preserve affordable housing and advocates on behalf of low-income tenants facing eviction. We also represent tenants in affirmative litigation seeking repairs and administrative proceedings to challenge rent increases or reduced services in rent-regulated buildings.
- **The Immigration Advocacy Project** assists immigrants with humanitarian-based immigration applications (e.g. VAWA, U & T visas, SIJS, asylum) as well as with naturalization, family-based petitions, and removal defense.
- **The LGBTQ/HIV Project** provides advice and direct legal representation to members of the LGBTQ+ community and people living with HIV/AIDS in a wide range of civil practice areas, including public benefits, anti-discrimination, housing, family law, and access to medical care.

Interns will assist with activities such as: conducting client interviews, investigating cases, appearing in court and administrative proceedings with attorneys, legal research, and writing memoranda of law. Interns may also work closely with community partners and provide Know Your Rights clinics, workshops, and legal education programs.

QLS is an equal-opportunity employer with a strong commitment to Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, and Belonging (DEIB) for our staff and the people we serve. We welcome and encourage applications

from candidates of color, women, people with disabilities, and members of the LGBTQ+ community. Interested candidates should email a resume, cover letter, and writing sample (if you have one), to [jobpostingsqls@lsnyc.org](mailto:jobpostingsqls@lsnyc.org). Please indicate in your cover letter the practice areas for which you'd like to be considered. Decisions are made on a rolling basis, and we recommend that you apply early.

All employees are strongly encouraged to continue to receive and maintain up-to-date COVID vaccinations unless they are unable to for medical or religious reasons.