Brooklyn Legal Services seeks a Staff Attorney for its Elder Law Unit.

About Us

Brooklyn Legal Services, part of Legal Services NYC, provides high-quality, innovative representation to address the pressing legal needs of Brooklyn’s diverse low-income population. BLS focuses on the problems that have the greatest impact on our clients’ preserving affordable and decent housing, maintaining income support, redressing abusive lending and consumer practices, promoting family stability and mitigating the effects of domestic violence, and advocating for the disabled.

The Elder Law Unit assists elderly people maintain independence through representation, collaboration with community based organizations, and affirmative litigation. The staff attorney will conduct outreach, intake and case advocacy with a focus on special needs populations in the Brighton Beach and Coney Island communities. The attorney would primarily focus on eviction defense, affirmative litigation to preserve affordable housing, and benefits advocacy. The attorney would also work in close collaboration with community based organizations.

Experience & Qualifications:

We seek an attorney admitted to the New York State Bar with:

- A demonstrated passion for social justice and a commitment to working with low-income communities and communities of color to advance equity;
- Experience with, and a commitment to, working with the elderly and empathy for the particular legal and social issues that occur in that population;
- Excellent analytical, writing, and communication skills;
- Strong interest in working with clients in crisis;
- Strong grounding in housing law and practice;
- Strong organization skills and ability to handle diverse, fast paced, and high volume case load;
- Litigation experience (preferred); and
- Fluency or strong proficiency in Yiddish.

How to Apply

Applicants should send a cover letter, resume, and two writing samples to bkhiring@lsnyc.org. Please write “EL Atty” in the subject line of the email.

Please, no telephone calls.

Salary is commensurate with experience and in accordance with the Legal Services NYC Collective Bargaining Agreement. Benefits include excellent health and dental insurance, an employer contribution to a pre-tax 403(b) pension plan, and generous leave time. LSNYC is an equal opportunity employer. It is an organization committed to race, gender and economic justice in our work and within our workplace. Staff at LSNYC are members of the LSSA/NOLSW UAW Local 2320. People of color, women, people with disabilities, gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgender people, and people over the age of 40 are welcome and encouraged to apply.