



JOB ANNOUNCEMENT

Staff Attorney Benefits Advocacy Project (Full-Time Position)

Inner City Law Center (ICLC) is a nonprofit law firm on Skid Row. We are looking for extraordinary people to help us end homelessness in Los Angeles. Founded on the fundamental principle that every person should always be treated with dignity and respect, ICLC fights for justice for low-income tenants, working-poor families, people who are disabled or homeless, people living with HIV/AIDS, and homeless veterans. Over the next six months, we will add 30 talented and diverse lawyers, paralegals, and other staff to our team so that we can serve far more people.

Position Description: ICLC seeks a talented full-time Attorney with prior SSI, SSDI or other disability benefits experience for a ground-breaking new project that will help homeless individuals with disabilities gain access to critical income-support benefits. This Project will provide technical assistance, training, and other support on disability benefits applications for homeless individuals throughout Los Angeles County.

This is a unique opportunity for an attorney to join an exciting new project that will positively impact thousands of individuals' lives in Los Angeles. The Attorney will focus on providing technical assistance to our partner agencies and their case managers on SSI, SSDI and CAPI (Cash Assistance Program for Immigrants) applications. The Attorney will also lead trainings for case managers and other advocates on SSI, SSDI and CAPI and review completed applications.

The Attorney will work as part of a team and will share team responsibilities related to the Project, such as identifying systematic problems within the SSI/SSDI or CAPI application process and developing strategies to resolve them. This will likely include working directly with staff and leadership at the Social Security Administration and Department of Public Social Services in Los Angeles County. The Attorney may also represent clients in administrative hearings to challenge incorrect denials of SSI, SSDI or CAPI benefits. The Attorney may also participate in other projects related to improving these systems and may perform other duties as needed. The Attorney may also work closely with pro bono attorneys volunteering on this project.

Hiring Criteria: Commitment to ICLC's mission and values. Excellent oral and written communication skills. Organized and detail oriented. Ability to assume responsibility quickly and independently manage varied responsibilities. Ability to use good judgment, multitask and meet deadlines. Past experience developing and leading trainings and a proven ability to effectively work with non-attorney advocates. Membership in the California Bar or another State Bar is required.

Compensation: Salary commensurate with qualifications and experience. Excellent benefits. This position is funded for three years, with a possibility for extension based on future funding.

How to Apply: Cover letters and resumes are reviewed upon receipt and well-qualified applicants will be invited to interview right away. Applications will be accepted until the position is filled, at which time, the job announcement will be removed from our website at www.innercitylaw.org. To apply, please email your resume, cover letter detailing interest in the position, and three references to Juliet Arganaraz, Director of Administration at careers@innercitylaw.org.

ICLC is an equal opportunity employer and all qualified applicants will receive consideration without regard to their race, religion, ancestry, national origin, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, transgender status, age, disability, marital status, or medical condition. All qualified applicants with criminal histories shall be considered in a manner consistent with the requirements of the Los Angeles Fair Chance Initiative for Hiring.