



**JOB ANNOUNCEMENT – STAFF ATTORNEY (INTERNAL and EXTERNAL)**  
**Public Benefits Practice Group**  
**Ombudsman Project**

For over 50 years, Legal Aid Chicago has provided free civil legal assistance to people living in poverty in metropolitan Chicago. Each year our attorneys, volunteers, and staff help resolve civil legal problems, including domestic violence, consumer fraud, and unfair evictions.

**Job Description:**

Legal Aid Chicago is seeking a staff attorney for the Long-Term Care Ombudsman Project within our Public Benefits Practice Group.

**Responsibilities:**

Provide full and effective legal representation to individuals

- Co-counsel with other attorneys and paralegals
- Achieve and maintain knowledge of the various areas of law, including state and federal laws regulating long term care facilities, Medicare and Medicaid laws, regulations and rules, and other issues facing elderly and disabled clients.
- Represent clients in administrative hearings, including involuntary discharge hearings and Medicaid appeal hearings.
- Conduct outreach regarding legal issues affecting residents of long term care and the Ombudsman program.
- Maintain proficiency with all equipment, computer hardware and software necessary to perform the duties of the position

**Qualifications:** Applicants must have a J.D. degree and be a member of the Illinois Bar or taking the next bar exam. In addition the successful candidate will have:

- Excellent research, writing, and litigation skills.
- Strong organization skills.
- Ability to use technology creatively.
- Familiarity with long-term care issues and/or public benefits is not required but is a plus.

**Salary:**

Dependent on qualifications and experience level. Legal Aid Chicago offers generous fringe benefits.

**Applications:** Send resume, cover letter, and the names and contact information for two professional references, by e-mail, to: [resume@legalaidchicago.org](mailto:resume@legalaidchicago.org). Put the phrase “Staff Attorney, Ombudsman Project” on the subject line of the e-mail. **No phone calls, please.**

The deadline for applications is **May 8, 2020**. The position will remain open until filled.

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