

JOB POSTING – STAFF ATTORNEY

Do you want to use your law degree and your legal skills to protect the legal rights of some of Connecticut's most marginalized residents? If so, we hope you will consider joining our team at Connecticut Legal Rights Project.

The Connecticut Legal Rights Project currently has one opening available for a Connecticut-licensed attorney with a demonstrated interest in public interest law. The position involves representation of patients at Connecticut Valley Hospital in Middletown and requires presence in our Middletown office 5 days per week. The job assignment is subject to change according to the needs of the organization and requires travel statewide.

CLRP is a statewide non-profit organization that provides legal assistance to low-income adults with mental health conditions on matters related to their treatment and civil rights. CLRP represents its clients in accordance with their expressed preferences. You will be representing clients on locked units at state-operated psychiatric hospitals. In addition to providing zealous advocacy for our clients, this position requires attention to detail, efficient data entry to document legal work, and effective communication.

You will also participate in case analysis, litigation, decision-making, and strategizing. You will be responsible for prioritizing your workload and will work with the legal director on litigation in state and federal court.

Your work will involve collaborating with persons in recovery as well as with community organizations to identify systemic issues.

At least two years of experience in litigation, housing law and/or disability rights is preferred. You will need to be licensed to practice law in Connecticut in both state and federal court. Bilingual skills strongly preferred. Salary is commensurate with experience (\$64,800 for an attorney with two years' relevant experience) and is competitive with other Connecticut nonprofit legal services organizations. We offer a benefits package that includes generous paid leave, a high-deductible HSA plan, reimbursement for health insurance obtained elsewhere, the option to purchase dental insurance, a 403(b) with employer match, and loan repayment assistance.

CLRP is an equal opportunity employer that does not discriminate on the basis of race, age, ancestry, color, disability, marital status, national origin, religious creed, sex, gender identity or expression, sexual orientation, or status as a veteran. People with disabilities are strongly encouraged to apply. Resume review to begin upon receipt.

E-mail resumes to <u>resumes@clrp.org</u>.

If you need accommodations during the application process, please contact Rosemary Marino, CLRP business manager, at rmarino@clrp.org.