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STAFF ATTORNEY POSITION – LONG TERM TEMPORARY HOUSING UNIT

Greater Boston Legal Services (GBLS) is an Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity/Accessible Employer and strives to ensure that our staff members reflect the diversity of the communities we serve.

Greater Boston Legal Services (GBLS) seeks an attorney with 0-5 years of experience for a long-term temporary position for 1 year, possibly renewable, depending on the receipt of continued funding. The attorney will work in the Housing Unit in litigation representing tenants who are facing eviction. The position may also include some of the full range of activities of the Housing Unit, including support for tenants who live in public and subsidized housing, helping tenant organizations preserve affordable housing, shelter advocacy, and any other work of the Housing Unit. In addition to a substantial trial caseload (including jury trials), the work may include participation in legislative and administrative advocacy projects and impact litigation. Evening meetings at community organizations (currently done online) are required.

Should funding for this position change, the attorney may be required to assume work in a different area of law within GBLS. The position involves responsibility for client cases including interviews, factual investigation, research and analysis of law, development of written and oral legal arguments, negotiation with agency officials and staff, preparation for and handling of administrative, and court hearings. The position may also include legislative advocacy, policy advocacy, and supervising law students and volunteer interns.

Qualifications:

Qualifications include 0-5 years of experience preferred and applicant must be admitted attorneys and able to appear in court immediately. Experience in representing homeless families, housing law and/or negotiation experience preferred. Written and oral fluency in Spanish, Haitian Creole or another language spoken by GBLS's clients is helpful, but not required. Admission to the Massachusetts Bar is required

Salary is based on a union scale, with a starting annual salary of \$60,000 depending on experience. Potential salary increase in the future will be determined by the Collective Bargaining Agreement. GBLS offers a generous benefits package and paid time off policy. A hybrid work schedule is possible.

Candidates should submit a cover letter, resume and brief writing sample to the GBLS Human Resources Team by email to <u>jobs@gbls.org</u>. Please refer to Job Code: **HU-LTT-ATT** when applying for this position. Applications will be accepted until the position is filled but applicants are encouraged to submit applications by **May 31, 2022**.

GBLS values diversity and encourages applicants from a broad range of backgrounds and experiences.