
POSITION ANNOUNCEMENT (September 2017)

STAFF ATTORNEY POSITION (OLEAN, NY)

The Olean office of Legal Assistance of Western New York, Inc.® (LawNY®) has an immediate opening for a full time Staff Attorney to provide legal advice and representation to low income clients needing representation in Cattaraugus County Family Court cases. LawNY® is under contract to provide representation in Family Court Cases where the Public Defender's Office has a conflict of interest. The types of cases include custody and visitation, neglect, support, family offense and paternity.

LawNY® is a not-for-profit organization which provides civil legal services to low-income clients in a fourteen-county region in western New York State. The Olean office serves Cattaraugus County. The office provides legal advice and representation in the areas of housing, public benefits, family, employment, consumer, and health law. LawNY® practices in a wide variety of courts, including justice court, state and county court, bankruptcy court and federal court, as well as administrative agency proceedings. Program staff include attorneys and paralegals who work across areas of specialization to bring a holistic approach to addressing issues affecting our clients and communities. LawNY® focuses on meeting the legal needs of individual clients, as well as addressing systemic problems that create barriers for clients living in poverty.

Requirements: Applicants must be admitted to the New York State Bar. A practice order may be obtained for up to 18 months for law school graduates or attorneys admitted to practice in another state. Applicants should have relevant legal experience, demonstrated excellent oral and written communication skills, and a commitment to working with low-income families and individuals.

Salary: Dependent on experience. The entry level annual salary for a newly admitted attorney with no practice experience is \$46,500. LawNY® provides an excellent health, disability and benefits package.

Application Procedure: Applicants should submit a cover letter describing qualifications, resume, writing sample and the name and contact information for three references by **September 22, 2017** in order to ensure full consideration. Applications will be accepted beyond that date until the position is filled. The position will begin as soon as the hiring

process is complete. Applications should be addressed to: Jeffrey Reed, Managing Attorney, and sent to the following e-mail address: lawnyapplications@lawny.org.

Legal Assistance of Western New York, Inc.® (LawNY) is an equal opportunity employer. LawNY encourages applications from diverse candidates. LawNY welcomes applications regardless of race, color, religion, sex, gender identity, sexual orientation, pregnancy, national origin, age, disability, genetic information or any other consideration protected by law. This position is considered exempt pursuant to the Fair Labor Standards Act.