



## **Notice of Immediate Job Opening**

### **STAFF ATTORNEY, ECONOMIC JUSTICE UNIT**

Bronx Legal Services is a part of Legal Services NYC (LSNYC), the largest provider of free civil legal services in the country. For 50 years LSNYC has provided civil legal services to help our clients meet their essential needs and to challenge the systemic injustices that bar equal access to the legal system.

We are seeking a staff attorney to join our Economic Justice Unit. The economic justice unit is unusual in that its lawyers handle a wide variety of cases. The work of the unit includes employment law and unemployment insurance benefits, consumer law, combatting elder abuse, financial fraud, disability law, and representation of community groups in land use and environmental justice issues. We also assist taxpayers in tax disputes with the IRS and in advocacy efforts to resolve systemic tax problems.

The attorney will assist clients with a wide range of civil legal problems with a particular focus on consumer law, financial fraud, and access to disability benefits. The attorney will litigate cases in State and Federal courts, and administrative forums. The attorney will bring cases challenging agencies and actors who use abusive practices targeted at low-income or vulnerable Bronx residents.

The attorney will engage directly with the Bronx community, and provide legal information, advice, and counsel, both in clinical and informal settings. The attorney is also expected to work closely with other advocates, community members, and community groups. We are looking for candidates who are excited to work in a fast-paced environment and to use creative strategies in the pursuit of justice.

#### **Experience and Qualifications:**

The successful candidate will have:

- A commitment to public service and an understanding of the legal problems and needs of the poor;
- The ability to communicate effectively with a low-income client community;
- The ability to work collaboratively and treat clients and colleagues respectfully;
- Excellent analytical, writing, and communication skills;
- Strong organizational skills and ability to handle a diverse, fast-paced, case load;

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- Fluency in Spanish or another language commonly spoken in the communities we serve is preferred;
- J.D. from an accredited law school, with litigation experience preferred; and
- Admission to the New York State bar or eligibility for admission is required.

Salary is determined by a collective bargaining agreement.

To apply, send a cover letter, resume, at least one recent writing sample and the names of three references **via e-mail** to Sandra Sanchez, [ssanchez@lsnyc.org](mailto:ssanchez@lsnyc.org).

The e-mail should include “**Staff Attorney, Economic Justice Unit**” in the subject line.

**Only candidates selected for interviews will be contacted. No telephone calls.**

Bronx Legal Services is an equal opportunity employer. People of color, women, people with disabilities, gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgender people, and people over the age of 40 are welcome and encouraged to apply. Bronx Legal Services is an organization committed to race, gender and economic justice in our work and within our workplace. Bronx Legal Services is a part of the Legal Services NYC network and provides competitive salary and benefits in accordance with the Legal Services NYC Collective Bargaining Agreement.

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