



BOOKLYN LEGAL SERVICES SEEKS FORECLOSURE PREVENTION ATTORNEY

Brooklyn Legal Services seeks a Staff Attorney for its Foreclosure Prevention Project.

The nationally prominent Foreclosure Prevention Project, the first of its kind in New York City, uses federal and state litigation, policy advocacy, and community education to assist low-income homeowners at risk of foreclosure due to predatory lending or abusive loan servicing practices. The Project is actively litigating cases challenging discriminatory and abusive lending practices, abusive servicing practices by the nation's largest banks and loan servicers, and deed theft scams. The Project is also a statewide leader in policy advocacy around fair lending, responsible lending, and financial justice issues. In addition, the Project handles consumer debt and community economic development cases and initiatives.

Brooklyn Legal Services, part of Legal Services NYC, provides high-quality, innovative representation to address the pressing legal needs of Brooklyn's diverse low-income population. BLS focuses on the problems that have the greatest impact on our clients — preserving affordable and decent housing, maintaining income support, redressing abusive lending and consumer practices, assisting immigrants and immigrant communities, promoting family stability and mitigating the effects of domestic violence, and advocating for the disabled.

Roles and Responsibilities

This litigation position offers opportunities to engage in a broad range of creative advocacy. The staff attorney will represent homeowners in affirmative litigation in federal and state court, foreclosure defense litigation, administrative complaints, and foreclosure settlement conferences. Other responsibilities include client intake, community education and outreach, legal trainings, and policy advocacy. The position will be located in our new office at 27 Albany Avenue, Brooklyn, NY.

Experience and Qualifications

We seek an attorney admitted to the New York State Bar with:

- A demonstrated passion for social justice and a commitment to working with low-income communities and communities of color to advance equity;
- Excellent analytical, writing, and communication skills;
- Strong interests in litigation and working with clients;
- Effective organizational skills;

- Four or more years relevant litigation experience;
- Ability to handle diverse, fast paced, and high volume case load;
- Proficiency in Spanish or another language commonly spoken in the communities we serve is preferred; and
- Strong ties to Brooklyn low-income communities is preferred.
- Bankruptcy experience is a plus.

How to Apply

Applicants should send a cover letter, resume, and two writing samples to bkhiring@lsnyc.org. Please write “Foreclosure Attorney” in the subject line of the email.

Salary and benefits are determined by the LS-NYC Collective Bargaining Agreement.

Legal Services NYC is an equal opportunity employer. People of color, women, people with disabilities, gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgender people are strongly encouraged to apply.

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