



Children's Law Center of Massachusetts

Full-Time Immigration Attorney—One Year Term

The Children's Law Center of Massachusetts (CLCM) is seeking a full-time staff attorney for a one-year term to provide immigration legal assistance and related advocacy services to indigent children and youth, primarily in northeast Massachusetts.

ABOUT THE ORGANIZATION: Founded in 1977 and based in Lynn, MA the CLCM is a legal advocacy and resource center that provides a range of services to children, from newborns to 22 years, in education, child welfare, immigration, mental health and related substantive areas. It seeks to ensure access to justice and maximize opportunity for its clients, many of whom confront challenges in public schools and/or are caught up in the federal immigration system and/or the state's human services network.

THE POSITION: CLCM immigration attorney: Our immigration advocacy focuses primarily on special immigrant juvenile, asylum, and related relief for children, most of them unaccompanied, Spanish-speaking minors from Central America. The attorney will be expected to work in all aspects of the CLCM's immigration program along with the agency's current immigration counsel and other staff attorneys. The position is based in Lynn, MA and calls for 40 hours per week, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday to Friday. S/he will report to the CLCM's Director.

Responsibilities include:

1. Engage in a range of advocacy measures with the CLCM's existing immigration counsel in service to immigrant children
2. Provide legal advice and counsel on immigration issues to CLCM clients
3. Provide legal representation in immigration matters before U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services, Immigration and Customs Enforcement, the Immigration Court, and the state Juvenile and Probate & Family Courts
4. Train, mentor, and supervise interns and students working on immigration and related matters
5. Participate in community outreach events and know-your-rights trainings
6. Maintain and establish relationships with community partners and immigration service providers
7. Assist agency staff on immigration-related intakes and brief service matters
8. Otherwise assist agency staff counsel as deemed necessary to further the CLCM's mission.

Qualifications:

1. J.D. or LL.M. degree with admission to the Massachusetts or equivalent state bar.
2. Three or more years of experience in immigration law.
3. Commitment to serving low-income populations and communities of color.
4. Experience representing low-income individuals and people from diverse cultural and ethnic backgrounds.



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5. Excellent writing, communication, and organizational skills.
6. Team player with an ability to multitask in a fast paced environment.
7. Ability to speak fluent Spanish.

HOURS, SALARY, AND BENEFITS: The position is 40 hours weekly. Salary is commensurate with experience.

To Apply: Applicants should submit 1) a cover letter addressing experience and interests relevant to the position, and 2) a resume, by e-mail to Yajaira Chavez @ y.chavez@clcm.org or mail to Children's Law Center of Massachusetts, 298 Union Street, 2nd Flr., Lynn, MA 01901. No phone calls please.

Applications accepted until position is filled. For more information about CLCM refer to our website: www.clcm.org.

CLCM is an equal opportunity employer, committed to diversity in the workplace and encourages all applicants, regardless of age, race, national origin, religion, gender, disability or sexual orientation to apply.