

## JOB ANNOUNCEMENT

**Central Minnesota Legal Services seeks to hire full-time staff attorney in its Minneapolis office.**

**Responsibilities:** The attorney will focus primarily on family law with expansion into another practice area within CMLS priorities. This position will involve litigation.

**Background:** The mission of Central Minnesota Legal Services is to increase access to justice by providing high quality legal services to individuals experiencing poverty, challenging inequities, and empowering community members to participate in our civil legal system.

CMLS is a three-office program providing free legal representation to low-income clients in 21 counties in central Minnesota.

The Minneapolis office serves Anoka and Hennepin Counties. Minneapolis attorneys may spend some time at a new satellite office in Anoka, usually one day per week.

CMLS is funded primarily by federal and state grants. CMLS also has other funding sources to provide civil legal services to specific low-income populations in its service area. CMLS enjoys a good rapport with, and strong support from, the organized bar and the local judiciary.

**Qualifications:** Demonstrated commitment and sensitivity to the problems of marginalized communities and individuals experiencing poverty. Prior experience with family law preferred. Poverty law litigation experience or law school clinical experience is a plus. Candidates should be licensed to practice law in Minnesota or be a candidate for Bar admission. Attorneys admitted to practice in another state with 18 months' employment in a poverty law office can obtain temporary pre-exam admission. Valid driver's license and reliable vehicle required. Ability to speak a second language, particularly Spanish or Somali, is a plus.

Demonstrated commitment to furthering principles of diversity, equity, and inclusion and ability to work effectively with people from different backgrounds are essential. We strongly encourage candidates of all identities, experiences, and communities to apply. We welcome information about how your experience can contribute to serving our diverse client community. Must have strong communication skills, ability to work constructively in a team setting, exhibit good judgment, ability to learn quickly and work independently, and be able to effectively handle contested hearings.

**Salary:** \$60,000 - \$72,258 D.O.E. pursuant to the CMLS salary schedule. Excellent benefits. Remote work available in a hybrid weekly schedule.

**Starting Date:** Negotiable

**Application:** Send cover letter, resume, references, and writing sample to:

Hiring Committee  
Central Minnesota Legal Services  
111 North Fifth Street, Suite 402  
Minneapolis, MN 55403-1604  
Email applications: [info@centralmnlegal.org](mailto:info@centralmnlegal.org)

**No Phone Calls Please**

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