

SENIOR LAW PROJECT ATTORNEY
Job Posting

POSITION: Mid-Minnesota Legal Aid (MMLA) seeks a full-time staff attorney for its Minneapolis office. The attorney will work with our Senior Law Project protecting the rights of seniors age 60 and over using legal representation and advocacy.

MMLA provides free civil legal representation to clients with low incomes and seniors throughout 21 counties in central Minnesota, and to people with disabilities throughout the state. The Minneapolis office's Senior Law Project serves clients who live in Hennepin County and Anoka County. The Project's case priorities are set toward the basic and fundamental goals of preserving shelter including private, subsidized, assisted living, and nursing home cases, and preserving and gaining government benefits including Social Security and Medical Assistance. The Project also handles consumer debt and financial exploitation cases, as well as limited third-party custody and immigration cases. The Senior Law Project also supports a community clinic providing basic estate planning advice.

MMLA is supported by funding from the State of Minnesota, the federal government, the Metropolitan Area Agency on Aging, local governments, the United Way, foundations, local law firms and corporations, etc. MMLA enjoys a good rapport with, and strong support from the organized bar. MMLA does not receive funds from the Legal Services Corporation.

RESPONSIBILITIES: The attorney's responsibilities will include advising clients and representing them in a variety of court and administrative forums. The attorney may also have the opportunity to engage in policy advocacy, provide training for seniors and advocates, and assist with community outreach/education as appropriate to client needs.

QUALIFICATIONS: Applicants must be licensed in Minnesota. Applicants must also have:

- 1) Demonstrated interest in, and commitment to, the needs of low-income/vulnerable clients;
- 2) Commitment to working as a team member to serve client needs;
- 3) A desire to appear in court and administrative proceedings to litigate client rights;
- 4) Excellent communication, analytical, and writing skills; and
- 5) Proficiency using Microsoft Windows and Office.

Diverse economic, social, and cultural experiences and relevant language skills are pluses.

SALARY: Up to year twelve on MMLA's salary schedule (\$47,000 to \$57,600) depending on experience. Benefits include vacation, sick leave, family medical, life, and long-term disability insurance.

STARTING DATE: As soon as possible after position is filled.

APPLICATIONS: Submit cover letter, resume, three job-related references, and a writing sample online at: www.mylegalaid.org/jobs by Monday, August 28, 2017, or until position is filled.

No calls please.

MMLA is an equal opportunity/affirmative action employer.