Seeks Applicants for Immigration Attorney

The Organization: Greater Hartford Legal Aid’s (GHLA) mission is to achieve equal justice for poor people, to work with clients to promote social justice, and to address the effects and root causes of poverty. We focus our resources on representing individuals and families who are least likely to be able to solve their legal problems without the help of an attorney, and whose unaddressed legal problems would have serious consequences such as homelessness, continuing domestic violence, lack of income and diminished education and employment opportunities. GHLA co-founded Building Comprehensive Solutions to Domestic Violence and continues to be a national leader in advocacy for family violence victims.

The Position: GHLA is seeking an attorney to deliver immigration legal services. Assignment will include:

- Preparing and submitting applications, legal briefs, and supporting documentation for cases involving U Visas, T Visas, VAWA Self-Petitions, Petitions to Remove Conditions, Special Immigrant Juvenile Status Petitions and Adjustment of Status with applicable waivers, as well as some limited Asylum applications; and
- Directly representing individuals before USCIS;
- Directly representing individuals before EOIR (Hartford Immigration Court); and
- Participating in systemic advocacy efforts on behalf of immigrants as appropriate.

Qualifications:

- Juris Doctor degree
- Admitted and in good standing with a state bar
- Experience carrying a significant caseload and providing trauma-informed legal representation to non-citizens before United States Citizenship & Immigration Services
- Superior oral and written communication skills
- Excellent administrative and organizational skills, including ability to self-direct
- Personal attributes including:
  - dedication to social justice and to advocating for people living in poverty,
  - self-motivation, strong work ethic and commitment to working as a team,
  - the ability to work effectively with diverse groups and individuals.

Application Process:
Interested candidates should submit:
1. a letter expressing in detail your interest in the position of Immigration Attorney, and what you believe you can contribute to GHLA’s pursuit of its mission
2. a current resume
3. a list of three professional references
Materials should be emailed to: ImmigrationAttorney@ghla.org

Applications will be accepted until hiring is completed. GHLA is an equal opportunity employer, and is a signatory to the Connecticut Legal Community’s Diversity and Inclusion Pledge. This is a full-time or part-time position, with excellent salary and benefits including a Loan Repayment Assistance Program. Our attorney salary scale is $65,450 to $113,450 (pro-rated for part-time), depending on experience.