LAS LEGAL AID SOCIETY metropolitan family services
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NON-PROFIT GENERAL COUNSEL
SPRING 2027 INTERN/EXTERNSHIP

Metropolitan Family Services seeks qualified law students or recent graduates for a Spring 2027 fellowship, internship or externship in our General Counsel's office. LAS spring internships begin in January and continue through early/mid-May. The position is based in Chicago and will be hybrid, with in-person and some work from home opportunities. This is a part-time, unpaid position, though applicants are encouraged to seek external funding, work-study funding, or class credits. This position will support our General Counsel and LAS Executive Director with legal research and writing, primarily.

Metropolitan Family Services (MFS) empowers families to learn, to earn, to heal, to thrive. Since 1857, Metropolitan Family Services has been the engine of change that empowers families to reach their greatest potential and positively impact their communities. The Legal Aid Society (LAS) is the legal aid arm of Metropolitan Family Services. Founded in 1886, it is the oldest provider of legal aid in Illinois and the second oldest in the nation. The mission of LAS is to protect and strengthen families by providing equal access to justice for all by focusing on the most vulnerable communities, including those who are impoverished, the elderly, and victims of violence & crimes. We are based in Chicago, Illinois, and serve low-income clients in Cook and DuPage Counties, and the Decatur area.

RESPONSIBILITIES

1. Research and memoranda writing on issues impacting non-profit operations & governance;
2. Support the mission of the agency through active engagement and participation;
3. Other duties, as assigned.

QUALIFICATIONS

1. Rising 2L or above (preferred);
2. Strong verbal and written communication skills;
3. Must be able to work independently and yet be willing to seek guidance when needed;
4. Strong organizational skills and ability to manage multiple projects at once; and
5. Ability to work effectively with a variety of individuals and groups.

To apply, please email a **resume and cover letter** to Elizabeth Gresk, Pro Bono Director, at LASinterns@metrofamily.org. Please note in the subject line the position that you are applying for (General Counsel). Applications will be reviewed on a rolling basis until the position is filled. Please note: a background check and fingerprinting will be required as part of the on-boarding process.