

# STAFF ATTORNEY- GENERAL PRACTICE

## KINGSTON, NY

### LEGAL SERVICES OF THE HUDSON VALLEY

<http://www.lshv.org>

**Job Type:** STAFF ATTORNEY – Kingston, NY

**Schedule Type:** Full-Time

**Date:** October 23, 2018

#### Overview

For more than 50 years, Legal Services of the Hudson Valley (LSHV) has been providing free, high-quality legal counsel in civil matters when basic human needs are at stake including: eviction and foreclosure prevention, domestic violence, disability, elder law, healthcare, consumer fraud and more. Our services support almost 600,000 poor and low-income families and individuals who cannot afford an attorney in our seven-county service area. With the gap separating those who can and cannot afford legal representation widening each day, we work to ensure that everyone has equal access to justice, regardless of their ability to pay. As the only provider of comprehensive civil legal services in the lower and mid-Hudson Valley (Westchester, Putnam, Dutchess, Rockland, Orange, Ulster and Sullivan), LSHV is proud to have handled almost 15,000 cases impacting more than 34,000 household members including 13,000 children last year. LSHV has nine offices, a staff of 135, including 80 attorneys and 27 paralegals.

#### Job Description

Legal Services of the Hudson Valley (LSHV) has an immediate opening in our Kingston office for a full-time staff attorney who will serve low-income individuals and families living in Ulster County. This is a general practice position that will also focus on working with veterans and military families, and assisting clients with housing matters.

**Duties of the Position:** intakes and individual case work, litigation in state and federal courts, including appellate practice, and education and outreach efforts directed at community members, advocates and service providers. The person hired will also be expected to adhere to program and case handling standards, funder requirements, the highest professional standards, and be available as a resource to LSHV staff and access to justice communities.

#### Qualifications

- Member in good standing of the New York State Bar; willingness to be admitted to the Federal Bar
- One or more years of legal experience, including litigation or administrative hearings;
- Understanding of the nature and challenges of working with persons with disabilities;
- Excellent people skills;
- Excellent written and verbal communication skills;
- Ability to work effectively with a diverse group of stakeholders;
- Legal Drivers' license required;

#### Preferred

- English/Spanish bilingual preferred;
- Demonstrated commitment to serving low-income persons with prior experience in legal services or similar program preferred.

**Salary:** DOE, union scale, with excellent benefits.

**Please apply at our career center and include cover letter, resume, writing sample and three references, by following this link:**

[Legal Services of the Hudson Valley- Staff Attorney-General Practice, Kingston, NY](#)

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