

# STAFF ATTORNEY- GENERAL PRACTICE, MT. VERNON, NY LEGAL SERVICES OF THE HUDSON VALLEY

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**Job Type:** STAFF ATTORNEY- GENERAL PRACTICE

**Schedule Type:** Full-Time

## Overview

Legal Services of the Hudson Valley (LSHV) is a 50-year-old non-profit organization dedicated to providing free, high-quality legal counsel in civil matters where basic human needs are at stake including: eviction and foreclosure prevention, domestic violence, disability, children's law and advocacy, elder law, healthcare, consumer fraud and more. Our services support more than 545,000 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 more than 15,500 cases impacting more than 36,000 household members including 14,000 children last year. LSHV has eight offices, a staff of 136, including 82 attorneys and 27 paralegals.

## Job Description

Legal Services of the Hudson Valley (LSHV) has an immediate opening in our Mt. Vernon office for a full time General Practice Staff Attorney to work on Landlord & Tenant, Public Benefits, and other civil matters. The attorney will serve low-income individuals and families living in Westchester County with legal matters that involve eviction prevention and terminations of government benefits.

**Duties of the Position:** Individual client representation, litigation in state and federal courts as well as administrative hearings and appellate practice. The person hired will be expected to handle a high-volume case load in an often fast passed and demanding environment. Participation in community legal education and outreach activities directed at community members, advocates and service providers. Additionally, 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.

## Requirements

- Member in good standing of the New York State Bar;
- One or more years of legal experience, including litigation and handling high volume caseload;
- Excellent people skills;
- Excellent written and verbal communication skills;
- Ability to handle high stress situations;
- Ability to work effectively with a diverse group of stakeholders; and

## Preferred

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

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

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