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STAFF ATTORNEY – FULTON COUNTY EVICTION COURT ASSISTANCE CENTER (To begin October 2017)

A consortium of four organizations – the Georgia Law Center for the Homeless, the Atlanta Volunteer Lawyers Foundation, the Center for Access to Justice at the Georgia State University College of Law, and Lawyers for Equal Justice – seeks a contract Staff Attorney with at least two years of residential landlord-tenant law experience in Georgia to supervise the Eviction Court Assistance Center located in the Fulton County Courthouse. As currently constituted, the position will require a 10-hour per week commitment. Additional hours may be possible and required as the project grows.

The Eviction Court Assistance Center provides legal advice and referrals to tenants who have come to the courthouse to file an Answer to an eviction. Volunteer attorneys and law students meet with tenants to answer questions about how to respond to lease termination or eviction notices in both public and private housing, how to enforce or defend rights under a lease, and other questions related to the landlord-tenant relationship. The Staff Attorney will be responsible for supervising the work of the law students and volunteer attorneys, as well as meeting with tenants him or herself. The Staff Attorney must be present at all times that the Clinic is open for business, which will be at least two days a week, to be determined in consultation with the Court, Staff Attorney, and other stakeholders.

QUALIFICATIONS

- Licensed attorney in good standing, licensed to practice law in Georgia, with at least two (2) years of relevant legal experience (residential landlord-tenant law).
- Previous litigation experience representing tenants or landlords and/or representing low-income clients will be given strong preference.
- Demonstrated commitment to social justice and legal services to low-income individuals and/or communities, through pro bono work or otherwise, will also be given a strong preference.
- Experience with volunteer recruitment and management is a plus.
- Demonstrated ability to interact effectively with people of all ages and cultural backgrounds, including communicating with our diverse constituencies - from law firm partners, to court personnel and Judges, to potential clients.
- Ability to handle multiple tasks and problem solve in a demanding and changing environment.
- Proficiency or fluency in Spanish not required but will be given strong preference.

SALARY: Dependent upon experience and qualifications. This is a part-time contract position. **To Apply: Email resume and cover letter to Michael Lucas (mlucas@avlf.org). ALL APPLICATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS ON FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 1, 2017.**