



November 15, 2021

**STAFF ATTORNEY POSITION
(Elder Benefits/Housing)**

Elder, Health and Disability Unit

Greater Boston Legal Services (GBLS) is an Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity/Accessible Employer and strives to ensure that our staff members reflect the diversity of the communities we serve.

Greater Boston Legal Services seeks a staff attorney with 0-3 years' experience for a permanent position in the Elder, Health and Disability Unit ("EHD").

The staff attorney's responsibilities will include assisting elders with a full range of housing, and state and federal public health and income benefits work. The housing work will include representing elder tenants facing eviction in local district and housing courts and may include representing individual tenants facing Section 8 terminations. The staff attorney will also handle hearings on denials and terminations of SSI/SSDI, SNAP, EAEDC, TAFDC, Medicare and MassHealth. The responsibilities may involve administrative advocacy and legislative work on housing or public benefits issues as well as supervision of students and new attorneys as appropriate.

Qualifications: Admission to or comity with the Massachusetts Bar is required. This position is for an attorney with 0-3 years' of legal experience. A commitment to social justice is required. Some legal experience in poverty law as well as knowledge of housing law and/or federal (SSI/SSDI, Medicare) or state benefits (TAFDC, EAEDC, SNAP, EA shelter, MassHealth) are preferred. Fluency in Spanish or Haitian/Creole is helpful but not required.

Salary is based on a union scale, which begins at \$60,000 for an attorney who has just graduated law school. GBLS offers a generous benefits package, paid time off, and a student loan repayment assistance plan for eligible attorneys. The attorney will work out of the GBLS Boston office. However, at present due to COVID-19, work is handled both remotely and in the office.

Candidates should submit cover letter, resume, and a brief writing sample to the Personnel Team via email at jobs@gbls.org. Please refer to **Job Code: EHD-ATTY** when applying for this position. Applications will be accepted until the position is filled and reviewed on a rolling basis but applicants are encouraged to submit applications by **December 18, 2021**.

GBLS values diversity and encourages applicants from a broad range of backgrounds.