



Fellowship Opportunities at Greater Boston Legal Services

Greater Boston Legal Services, Inc. (GBLS) will sponsor a limited number of applicants for two national fellowship programs: Equal Justice Works and the Skadden Fellowship Program. Both programs require applicants to develop a proposed project with a sponsoring legal agency. Selections for the fellowships are made by the national programs and not by GBLS. **Because of the time needed to develop projects acceptable to GBLS and the applicants, interested persons should contact GBLS as soon as possible. Earlier applicants will have an advantage.**

GBLS is the oldest and largest legal services program in New England. Throughout its history, GBLS has been committed to providing aggressive high-quality civil legal services to as many poor people as possible. The people who seek our assistance most often are women and children who need protection from abuse; families and elderly who face eviction from their homes; the homeless who have been denied temporary or permanent shelter; and single parents who have been inappropriately refused welfare, food stamps, or medical benefits. GBLS also provides assistance to client groups such as the Massachusetts Coalition for the Homeless, the Massachusetts Senior Action Council, and the tenants of the Boston Housing Authority.

GBLS' main office, located at 197 Friend Street in downtown Boston, houses the administrative staff and the following specialized units: Family, Elderly, Health & Disability, Medicare Advocacy Project, Housing, Immigration, Harvard Immigration Clinic, Employment, CORI & Re-Entry Project, Welfare, Asian Outreach and Consumer Rights. GBLS' Cambridge office consists of advocate teams comprised of Family, Housing, Elder, Income, and Mental Health & Disability Rights.

GBLS encourages applicants from a broad range of backgrounds and experiences.

EQUAL JUSTICE WORKS FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM

The goals of the Equal Justice Works Fellowship Program are to serve under represented communities; create new public interest law positions; select a diverse group of highly qualified fellows; and develop future leaders in public interest law.

Terms: Salary provided for two full years, loan repayment assistance, national training programs; fringe benefits to be paid by GBLS.

Eligibility: Must have graduated from an [Equal Justice Works Member Law School](#) before September 2024 with a J.D. or LL.M. Experienced attorneys who are committed to public interest law are encouraged to apply.

Application procedure: In addition to submitting an application and other related information, applicants should develop, in conjunction with GBLS, a new project to benefit under represented communities. Applications must be submitted online through the Equal Justice Works website at www.equaljusticeworks.org. Hard copies or email copies of the application will not be accepted.

Application and Selection Timetable:

Application opens online: **May 10, 2023**

GBLS deadline: **July 31, 2023**

Fellow alumni review & score applications: **October 2023**

EJW Application deadline: **September 13, 2023**

Interviews Begin for Selected Candidates: **November 2023 – April 2024**

Candidates selected for Fellowships on a rolling basis: **November 2023 - April 2024**

Fellows commence work: **September 2024**

Interested individuals must submit a cover letter and resume to the Human Resources Department at jobs@gbls.org with the subject line “**Fellowship Opportunities**”. Please include in your **cover letter a proposed project and indicate unit of interest.**

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For more information on the EJW Fellowship Program, please go to www.equaljusticeworks.org.

SKADDEN FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM

The goal of the Skadden Fellowship Program is to provide support to 2024 law school graduates and outgoing judicial law clerks who want to work at an organization that provides civil legal services to the poor, including the homeless, the elderly, the disabled, or those deprived of their civil or human rights.

Terms: Salary and fringe benefits provided for two full years.

Eligibility: 2024 law school graduates or outgoing law clerks who are not receiving any other fellowship or prize monies for the Skadden Fellowship duration are eligible. The grant-making panel will consider the worthiness of the proposed project's goals as well as the applicant's competency, character, and commitment.

Application procedure: Applicants should email an application, a proposed project, and additional information in conjunction with GBLS, the sponsoring organization to skadden.foundation@skadden.com. The application can be downloaded at www.skaddenfellowships.org.

Application and Selection Timetable:

GBLS deadline: **July 31, 2023**

Application deadline: **September 8, 2023**

Finalists notified: **November 10, 2023**

Fellows commence work: **September 2024**

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For more information on the Skadden Fellowship Program, please go to www.skaddenfellowships.org.