

**January 10, 2024** 

## 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 of experience for a permanent position in the Elder, Health and Disability Unit ("EHD"). Please note GBLS has a hybrid work schedule.

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, and MassHealth. The responsibilities may involve administrative advocacy and legislative work on housing or public benefits issues and student supervision 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,) or state benefits (EAEDC, SNAP, MassHealth) are preferred. The ability to travel to courthouses throughout the GBLS service area and to occasional statewide Housing events (GBLS has a travel expense reimbursement plan). Fluency in Spanish or Haitian/Creole is helpful but not required.

Salary is based on a union scale, which begins at \$72,000 for an attorney who has just graduated from 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. GBLS has a hybrid work schedule.

Candidates should submit cover letter, resume, and a brief writing sample to the Human Resources Department <u>via email</u> at <u>jobs@gbls.org</u>. Please refer to <u>Job Code</u>: EHD-ATT 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 February 9, 2024.

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