



April 24, 2024

**LONG TERM TEMPORARY STAFF ATTORNEY POSITION
FAMILY LAW UNIT**

Greater Boston Legal Services (GBLS) is an Affirmative Action / Equal Opportunity / Accessible Employer, and we strive to reflect the diversity of the communities we serve in our staffing.

GBLS seeks a temporary staff attorney to join our Family Law Unit for a one-year period of time to manage a litigation caseload. The Family Law Unit prioritizes representation and advocacy for survivors of domestic violence in contested Probate and Family Court proceedings, as well as abuse prevention proceedings in the District and Boston Municipal Courts. GBLS provides free legal services and representation to clients in the greater Boston area who cannot afford private legal representation.

Responsibilities:

- Managing a family law caseload that will include full representation cases, as well as counsel and advice and brief service matters;
- Representing clients at all levels of litigation, including trials and appeals;
- Participating in legislative, administrative, and other systemic advocacy that promotes the interests of GBLS clients;
- Providing culturally competent services to all clients;
- As appropriate based on attorney's experience, participating in internal projects to share substantive knowledge, supervise students, or assist with administrative tasks and grant reporting;
- Maintaining up-to-date knowledge and skills in family law and trial practice;
- Maintaining up-to-date knowledge in other areas that impact GBLS family law clients in order to provide appropriate referrals or advice.

Qualifications:

- 2 or more years of experience in family law preferred;
- Massachusetts bar admission or comity to be admitted preferred;
- The candidate must have excellent oral and written communication skills;
- The candidate must have the ability to handle and prioritize multiple tasks and to work collaboratively with other attorneys, non-attorney staff, and partners;
- Prior family law and/or trial experience is preferred, as this is a litigation heavy position;
- Prior family law and/or trial experience in Massachusetts is a plus;
- Prior experience working with survivors of domestic violence is encouraged;
- Fluency in one or more of the languages in addition to English spoken by GBLS clients, such as Spanish, Haitian Creole, Portuguese, Vietnamese, Cantonese, or Mandarin, is helpful.

Salary & Benefits:

Salary is based on a union scale. Effective July 1, 2024, the annual salary for an attorney with 2 years of experience is \$77,000. GBLS offers generous benefits, retirement contribution, student loan repayment assistance for eligible attorneys, and generous PTO leave.

Candidates should submit a cover letter, resume, and brief writing sample to the Human Resources Team via e-mail at jobs@gbls.org. Please refer to the Job Code: **FLU-ATT-LTT** when applying. Deadline for application is **May 15, 2024**, or until position is filled.

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