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## STAFF ATTORNEY — HOUSING UNIT — EVICTION DEFENSE (2 Job Openings)

## Greater Boston Legal Services (GBLS) is committed to fair employment practices. We are proud to employ staff with the cultural and linguistic competency to work within a variety of communities.

Greater Boston Legal Services (GBLS) seeks two attorneys with 0-5 years of experience, preferred, to join its Housing Unit.

These two permanent, full-time positions are based in our Boston office and will require travel by car (reimbursable by GBLS) to courthouses and other activities in our service area. The positions are focused on representing low-income tenants facing summary process actions in various divisions of the Housing Court, including Metro South Division in Canton, Northeast Division in Woburn, or the Eastern Division in Boston, Chelsea, and Somerville.

GBLS is a hybrid workplace, allowing employees to work remotely several days per week.

**Responsibilities:** The attorneys will maintain a substantial eviction trial caseload and may also engage in the broader work of the Housing Unit, including supporting community organizing and tenants' associations; advocating on behalf of tenants in public and subsidized housing; assisting tenant organizations in preserving affordable housing; EA Shelter advocacy; participating in legislative and administrative advocacy projects; engaging in impact litigation.

If funding for these positions changes, then the attorneys may be assigned work in other areas of law within the Housing Unit or GBLS.

**Qualifications:** Applicants must be admitted to the Massachusetts Bar, eligible for temporary admission under SJC Rule 3:04, or sitting for the July 2025 Uniform Bar Exam. Ability to travel outside Boston is required. Prior housing and/or trial experience is preferred. Attorneys with lived experience of displacement, and attorneys fluent in one or more languages spoken by GBLS clients (e.g., Spanish, Portuguese, Haitian Creole) are encouraged to apply.

Starting Date: Immediate; no later than September 16, 2025.

**Compensation and Benefits:** Salary is based on a union scale, starting at \$74,000 for attorneys with no experience and up to \$81,500 for those with five years of experience. GBLS offers a generous benefits package, retirement contributions, student loan repayment assistance plan for eligible attorneys, and generous paid time off (PTO).

Application: Interested candidates should submit: (1) cover letter, (2) resume, and (3) brief writing sample, each in a separate PDF file, via e-mail at <u>jobs@gbls.org</u>. Please refer to <u>Job Code</u>: **HU-ATT** when applying for this position. Incomplete applications will not be considered. Applications will be reviewed on a rolling basis after **April 24, 2025**.

At GBLS, we recognize our strength comes from the unique contributions of each team member. We invite candidates from all walks of life and backgrounds to apply.