



## **Staff Attorney – St. Joseph Office**

**Position:** Legal Aid of Western Michigan (LAWM) has a position open for a Staff Attorney in its St. Joseph office.

**Organization:** LAWM represents low-income and senior clients in a wide variety of poverty law areas including domestic violence, housing, public benefits, and consumer issues. LAWM is a regional law firm that covers 17 counties. The office in St. Joseph covers only Berrien County. The office is located in downtown St Joseph, along the shores of Lake Michigan.

**Qualifications** - The ideal candidates will possess:

- A license to practice law in Michigan or eligible to be admitted by waiver, or to become licensed within 5 months;
- Experience in the areas of family law, housing law, public benefits, and consumer issues;
- Demonstrated commitment to provide access to justice for low-income individuals and households; and
- Excellent written and oral communication skills.

Spanish Language proficiency is valued.

### **Responsibilities:**

- Manage a litigation caseload, including, but not limited to, family law, housing law, consumer law & public benefits cases;
- Successfully manage multiple tasks; and
- Build collaborative relationships within the community.

**Salary/Benefits:** From \$48,688 DOE. This position includes a \$1,200 annual stipend for an individual who is bilingual and biliterate in English and Spanish. LAWM offers an excellent fringe benefit package including a retirement plan and a flex benefit account.

### **LAWM IS AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER**

TO APPLY, send resume and cover letter to Executive Assistant, Julia Smith, at [jcsmith@lawestmi.org](mailto:jcsmith@lawestmi.org). **Application deadline: September 18, 2020**