



Staff Attorney – Grand Rapids Office

Position: Legal Aid of Western Michigan (LAWM) has a Staff Attorney position open in its Grand Rapids office. This position will work primarily in the area of eviction defense and other housing law.

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 Grand Rapids serves clients in Ionia, Kent, Mecosta and Montcalm counties.

Qualifications - The ideal candidate will possess:

- A license to practice law in Michigan or eligible to be admitted by waiver, or to become licensed within 8 months;
- Experience in the areas of housing law;
- Demonstrated commitment to provide access to justice for low-income individuals and households; and
- Excellent written and oral communication skills.

Spanish Language proficiency is highly valued.

Responsibilities:

- Conduct intake appointments with clients seeking legal help for housing-related issues;
- Manage a litigation caseload that focuses on eviction defense and housing law;
- Successfully manage multiple tasks; and
- Build collaborative relationships within the community.

Salary/Benefits: From \$49,321 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.

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TO APPLY, send resume and cover letter to Executive Assistant, Julia Smith, at jcsmith@lawestmi.org. **Application deadline: December 5, 2021**