



***Passionate about advocating for survivors of domestic violence?
Dedicated to helping low-income individuals with a range of civil legal issues?
Eager to serve in central Illinois?***

Want to make a difference with your law degree? The Eastern Regional Office of Land of Lincoln Legal Aid seeks a motivated attorney to work in our Decatur office to primarily serve Macon County. This staff attorney position is an opportunity to work directly with low-income individuals and seniors, as well as collaborate with community partners, to address civil legal needs. This individual's work will be advocating for survivors of domestic violence, primarily in orders of protection and other family law cases.

Land of Lincoln Legal Aid provides free civil legal services to low-income individuals in 65 counties in Illinois. We are committed to working for justice with those whose voices might otherwise not be heard; to assist individuals in advocating for themselves; and to make positive changes in collaboration with the communities we serve. Our attorneys provide holistic legal advocacy in partnership with community organizations, social service agencies, and faith-based groups.

Responsibilities include but are not limited to:

- Handle all elements of litigation including client interviewing, investigation, discovery, pleadings, briefs, and representation at hearings at trial level and appellate levels, if appropriate
- Actively participate in outreach and education
- Build and maintain relationships with community organizations
- Other duties as assigned

Qualifications:

- Licensed to practice law in Illinois or has requisite credentials for reciprocity
- Previous legal and non-profit experience preferred
- Strong commitment to social and racial justice
- Demonstrated ability to build relationships and work with people of diverse social, economic, and racial/ethnic backgrounds
- Excellent verbal, analytical, writing, and organizational skills
- Highly motivated and demonstrated ability to work independently as well as part of a team

Special Working Conditions and Demands: Applicants must have reliable transportation, valid driver's license, and car insurance

Compensation: \$75,000 - \$100,000 (depending on experience). Excellent insurance and retirement benefits; excellent leave benefits. Land of Lincoln is a 501(c)(3) non-profit and is an eligible employer for the public service loan forgiveness programs.

Please send a cover letter, resume, and writing sample to: Susan Zielke, Managing Attorney of Eastern Regional Office at szielke@lincolnlegal.org

Land of Lincoln is an equal opportunity employer and strongly encourages applications from people of color, persons with disabilities, women, LBGTQIA+ gender non-conforming individuals, and people with life experiences or educational backgrounds that add to our diversity and our capacity to provide high quality legal aid.