

Want to make a difference this summer? Land of Lincoln Legal Aid seeks a motivated law student to join us as a Summer Fellow in our East St. Louis office. 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.

The law student fellow will assist clients in a variety of substantive areas of law that may include: tenant rights and eviction, sealing and expungements, public benefits, consumer, family law, domestic violence prevention, and foreclosure defense. The fellow may also work with community partners and perform outreach.

Responsibilities include but are not limited to:

- Interview clients and follow up with them by email and telephone
- Draft pleadings, letters, and memorandums of law
- Conduct legal research, investigations, and collect evidence
- Attend court and administrative hearings; if licensed pursuant to Rule 711, may represent clients and engage in negotiation under attorney supervision.

Qualifications:

- Completed 1L or 2L year of law school
- Demonstrated ability to build relationships and work with people of diverse social, economic, and racial/ethnic backgrounds
- Ability to community with diverse audiences
- Excellent verbal, analytical, writing, and organizational skills
- Highly motivated, with a strong attention to detail
- Strong commitment to justice for all

Special Working Conditions and Demands:

- Applicants must have reliable transportation, valid driver's license, and car insurance
- Applicants must have regular access to a computer and internet

Compensation: \$6,500 for 400 hours of work over 10 weeks during the summer of 2025

Please send a cover letter, resume, and writing sample to:

Megan Kinney, Managing Attorney at mkinney@lincolnlegal.org

Land of Lincoln is an equal opportunity employer and 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.