

***Passionate about helping low-income individuals with a range of civil legal issues?  
Eager to serve in Illinois?  
Join Land of Lincoln Legal Aid and make a long-term impact!***

Want to make a difference with your law degree? Land of Lincoln Legal Aid seeks a motivated attorney to work in our Champaign office to work directly with low-income individuals and seniors to address civil legal needs. The attorney will collaborate with community partners in Champaign-Urbana, Illinois, to address legal needs of residents and identify ways to achieve long-term changes that transform the community and improve the lives of residents. The position will work primarily on housing and criminal records work and focus on Champaign County but will also provide assistance, as needed, in DeWitt, Ford, Piatt, and Vermilion Counties.

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:**

- Actively participate in community outreach and education
- Build and maintain relationships with community organizations
- Actively listen to community residents about legal needs and develop strategies to address them on an individual and systemic basis
- Handle all elements of litigation including client interviewing, investigation, discovery, pleadings, briefs, and representation at hearings at trial level and appellate level if appropriate
- Supervise secretaries, law students, and other staff
- Other duties as assigned

**Qualifications:**

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

**Special Working Conditions and Demands:**

- Applicants must have reliable transportation, valid driver's license, and car insurance
- Reliable home broadband internet sufficient to support remote work meetings, court and video conference hearings, as well as remote meetings/events with community partners



*Breaking Barriers to Justice*

## STAFF ATTORNEY

**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](mailto:szielke@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.*