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**STAFF ATTORNEY POSITION
HOUSING UNIT**

GBLS is an Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity/Accessible Employer and strives to ensure that our staff members reflect the diversity of the communities we serve.

Greater Boston Legal Services (GBLS) seeks an attorney with 1-5 years' experience for a community lawyering and transactional law position in the Housing Unit.

The attorney will undertake work with public housing tenant leadership groups and collaborations with the Boston Housing Authority and others on intense and time-critical policy initiatives. The work includes work with Boston public housing redevelopment to preserve thousands of units of public housing in a mixed-income redevelopment over the next decade, working with City of Boston zoning and permitting, and ensuring the protection of key tenant protections. The work will focus on public housing developments in Charlestown, Dorchester/South Boston, Roxbury/Jamaica Plain, and East Boston. Meetings (including evening meetings) 3-4 times per week with residents are required. This position also involves working with the Boston Housing Authority Resident Advisory Board on resident participation, policy changes, elections and training. Meetings during the COVID-19 pandemic are conducted online. This attorney position will also involve some housing litigation in eviction defense, and may involve shelter work, anti-displacement work, and any other work in the Housing Unit.

Qualifications: Admission to or comity with the Massachusetts Bar is required. Prior housing law and/or trial experience is preferred. Experience working with community organizers and organized client groups is preferred. Attorneys with lived experience of displacement or housing instability are encouraged to apply. This position is for an attorney with 1-5 years' experience. Fluency in one or more of the languages in addition to English spoken by GBLS clients, such as Spanish or Haitian Creole, among others, is helpful.

Salary is based on a union scale, which begins at \$59,000 for an attorney who has just graduated law school. GBLS offers a generous benefits package, retirement contribution, a student loan repayment assistance plan for eligible attorneys, and generous PTO leave. Candidates should submit letter of interest, resume and brief writing sample to Sonia Marquez, Director of Human Resources via email at jobs@gbls.org. Please refer to **job code: HU-ATT** when applying for this position. Deadline is **December 31, 2021** or until position is filled.

GBLS encourages applicants from a broad range of backgrounds and experiences.