

COMMITTEE FOR PUBLIC COUNSEL SERVICES
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Boston, MA 02108

Internal/External Position Posting

Children and Family Law Division
Staff Attorney Position – Administrative Office

The Children and Family Law (CAFL) Division of the Committee for Public Counsel Services, the Massachusetts public defender agency, is seeking an attorney with experience in child welfare law to work in its administrative office in Boston. The CAFL staff attorney will help CAFL trial and appellate attorneys provide zealous representation to their child and parent clients.

The attorney may: (1) provide advice to private panel attorneys; (2) help CAFL in its efforts to ensure that CAFL panel attorneys comply with the CAFL Performance Standards; (3) review and evaluate applications for CAFL panel recertification; (4) conduct performance reviews of CAFL panel attorneys statewide; (5) assist in drafting and publicizing Performance Standards for the various CAFL practice areas; (6) assist with training and be involved in developing policies; and (7) perform other work as assigned. The staff attorney may also maintain a small child welfare trial and/or appellate caseload. This staff attorney will primarily assist the CAFL Trial Panel Director.

Requirements: Candidates must be eligible to practice law in Massachusetts and have a minimum of four years child welfare trial experience. Appellate experience and foreign language skills are desirable. Candidates must be able to maintain a professional and supportive relationship with the private bar and be ready to serve as a leader in working with the courts, the Department of Children and Families, and professional and community organizations.

All staff attorney positions require travel. Access to reliable transportation throughout the state is necessary.

Salary: Salary is commensurate with experience.

Application Procedure: Interested candidates should submit a letter of interest, resume, and legal writing sample to:

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Candidates must submit all application materials by email. The letter of interest should include a description of the candidate's trial, administrative and other experience. Applications should be submitted by **February 20, 2012**, but may be accepted until the positions are filled.

The Committee for Public Counsel Services is an equal opportunity employer.
The agency actively seeks to diversify its workforce.

Date of Posting: February 2, 2012