TAX AND CONSUMER ATTORNEY
Job Posting

POSITION: Mid-Minnesota Legal Aid (MMLA) seeks a full-time staff attorney to work in the areas of federal income tax and consumer protection law.

MMLA provides free civil legal representation to clients with low incomes and seniors throughout 21 counties in central Minnesota, and to people with disabilities throughout the state. The Minneapolis office primarily serves clients living in Hennepin County. MMLA’s focus is to provide the legal help needed so that its clients can meet their most basic needs such as access to safe and secure housing, safety from domestic violence, access to government programs that provide baseline cash and food support, and access to health care.

MMLA is supported by funding from the State of Minnesota, the federal government, local governments, the United Way, foundations, other local law firms and corporations, etc. MMLA enjoys a good rapport with, and strong support from the organized bar. MMLA does not receive funds from the Legal Services Corporation.

RESPONSIBILITIES: The Attorney will protect MMLA clients’ income and assets by working on federal income tax disputes through our Low-Income Tax Clinic and will also represent clients in debt collection and consumer protection cases. The Attorney will also work on outreach and education focused on prevention of consumer scams and litigation and advocacy for persons whose rights have been violated.

QUALIFICATIONS: Applicants must be licensed in Minnesota or eligible for immediate admission by reciprocity are preferred, but we will consider 2018 spring graduates. Applicants must also have:

1) Demonstrated interest in, and commitment to, the needs of low-income/vulnerable clients;
2) Commitment to working as a team member to serve client needs; and
3) Excellent communication, analytical, and writing skills.

Experience in the specified areas of law, poverty law practice, or equivalent general practice is preferred. Diverse economic, social, and cultural experiences and relevant language skills are pluses. Proficiency using Microsoft Windows and Office is required.

SALARY: The salary will depend on experience, but is capped at $54,336 (year 5 staff attorney level) plus benefits including vacation, sick leave, family medical coverage, life insurance and both short-term and long-term disability insurance.

STARTING DATE: As soon as possible after position is filled.

APPLICATIONS: Submit cover letter, resume, three job-related references, and a writing sample online at www.mylegalaid.org/jobs by Monday, April 9, 2018, or until position is filled.

No calls please.

MMLA is an equal opportunity/affirmative action employer.