

PROVIDING ACCESS TO JUSTICE FOR ORANGE COUNTY'S LOW INCOME RESIDENTS

JOB ANNOUNCEMENT

Position	Full-time Social Worker or Case Worker – Consumer Law Unit
Organization Description	The Public Law Center (PLC), Orange County's <i>pro bono</i> law firm, is committed to providing access to justice for low-income residents. Through volunteers and staff, PLC provides free civil legal services, including counseling, individual representation, community education, and strategic litigation and advocacy to challenge societal injustices. Now in its 39th year of service, PLC works with more than 1,500 volunteer lawyers, paralegals and law students from throughout the county who volunteer their time and expertise. PLC is seeking a case worker or social worker to support the dynamic legal team in the Consumer Law Unit. The ideal candidate will provide holistic services to older adult clients who are likely to be survivors of elder financial abuse. Services will be provided through the integrated legal/social work model.
Qualifications	 Bilingual English/Spanish or English/Vietnamese fluency strongly preferred Experience working with older adults Excellent public speaking skills Masters Degree in Social Work and/or legal experience a plus Ability to work effectively as part of a team Experience working as part of a legal team a plus Must have own transportation, valid CA Driver's license, insurance and good driving record
Duties and Responsibilities	 Interview older adult clients and assess legal, social, medical, psychological and other needs to assist them to better navigate the legal process Provide limited counseling and significant emotional support to address older adult clients' psychosocial needs; refer to and coordinate counseling, medical and mental health treatment, housing, public benefits, and other social services Coordinate communication with and advocate on behalf of older adult clients to law enforcement, government agencies, social service agencies, educational institutions, medical and legal professionals, and others to help clients understand and navigate the legal system Potentially supervise social work students working with older adults and other PLC clients Occasional evening and weekend work required Other duties as assigned
Salary & Benefits	 Salary dependent on experience; range of \$45,000 to \$55,000 Competitive benefits provided
	Please submit resume, cover letter and writing sample (10 pages or less) to Grace Landa at: glanda@publiclawcenter.org. Please no phone calls. APPLICATION DEADLINE: Open until filled The Public Law Center is an Equal Opportunity Employer.