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JOB ANNOUNCEMENT

Position	Full-time Staff Attorney – Immigration Unit
Organization Description	<p>The Public Law Center (PLC)'s Immigration Unit is seeking an energetic, passionate advocate to join our team in fighting for justice for Orange County's immigrant communities through innovative, collaborative, community-centered lawyering.</p> <p>PLC's Immigration Unit provides fearless direct legal representation to, in addition to coordinating and supervising pro bono representation for, survivors of domestic violence, human trafficking, and other crimes (U Visas, T Visas, and VAWA petitions); children who have been abused, abandoned, or neglected (Special Immigrant Juvenile petitions); young people who arrived as children (Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals); legal permanent residents seeking U.S. Citizenship (naturalization); and for immigrants in Immigration Court proceedings (both detained and non-detained removal defense).</p>
Qualifications	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Active membership in the California State Bar/Bar Membership pending or eligibility to practice under State Bar Multijurisdictional Practice Program. • Bilingual English/Spanish or English/Vietnamese strongly preferred • 1-3 years experience in immigration law preferred, including case preparation, client interviewing, and client representation before USCIS and EOIR • Demonstrated commitment to working with immigrant communities • Excellent written and oral communication skills, with the ability to communicate with a variety of audiences. • Ability to manage multiple tasks, and work independently and as part of a team. • Must have own transportation, valid CA Drivers license, insurance and good driving record; travel throughout Orange and neighboring counties will be necessary, including to Immigration Courts located in Santa Ana, CA, Los Angeles, CA and to ICE detention facility located in Adelanto, CA • Must be fully vaccinated against COVID-19 or have a valid medical reason for not being fully vaccinated or a sincerely held religious belief preventing vaccination.
Duties and Responsibilities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Handle a full caseload of immigration cases, including removal defense cases before the Santa Ana, Los Angeles, and Adelanto Immigration Courts • Participate in collaborative advocacy efforts in coalition with other legal service providers and community partners • Oversee volunteer attorneys and law students through training, technical support and general supervision • Participate in and help to coordinate immigration legal clinics and workshops, including community education presentations (ideally in both English and Spanish) • Represent PLC at legal networking and community outreach events • Full time position with occasional evening and weekend work.
Salary & Benefits	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Compensation dependent on experience; range of \$70,000 to \$80,000 • Competitive benefits provided.
	<p>Please submit resume, cover letter and optional writing sample (5 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.</p>