## JOB ANNOUNCEMENT SUPERVISING ATTORNEY – MOBILIZATION FOR JUSTICE, INC.

Mobilization for Justice (formerly MFY Legal Services), a non-profit legal services organization that provides a wide range of free civil legal services to low-income New Yorkers, is seeking a supervising attorney to join a team of advocates that serves the legal needs of people with mental health disabilities, with the goal of preserving housing and ensuring that clients obtain and maintain the benefits to which they are entitled. The team represents clients in various courts; works collectively with advocacy groups; and conducts trainings for the courts, hospitals, and community groups.

MFJ's mission is to achieve justice for all. MFJ prioritizes the needs of people who are low-income, disenfranchised, or have disabilities as they struggle to overcome the effects of social injustice and systemic racism. We provide the highest-quality free, direct civil legal assistance, conduct community education, and build partnerships, engage in policy advocacy, and bring impact litigation. We assist more than 14,000 New Yorkers each year, benefiting over 24,000. MFJ has a staff of more than 165 attorneys, paralegals, social workers, and support staff. It is a diverse, unionized, and collegial workplace where staff share the organization's mission to achieve social justice.

## **Responsibilities:**

- Supervise attorneys who handle a range of civil legal problems, including those related to housing and government benefits.
- Work closely with community and hospital-based mental health providers, including those with whom MFJ has a medical-legal partnership.
- Manage and report on government contracts and other grants.
- Carry own docket of cases, where appropriate.
- Work with management team to address general office needs and administrative tasks.
- Addressing systemic problems through policy, advocacy and/or impact litigation is supported but not required.

## **Requirements:**

- At least five years of litigation experience.
- Knowledge of housing law and/or government benefits.
- Excellent research, writing, and editing skills.
- Leadership, team-building, and mentoring skills.
- Highly organized with excellent time management skills.

## **Preferred:**

- Prior supervisory experience.
- Fluency in Spanish, Mandarin, Cantonese, Russian, Haitian Creole, French, Bangla, Arabic, or Urdu.

**Salary** is pursuant to a collective bargaining agreement with excellent fringe benefits. The salary range for this position is \$88,742.62 to \$143,365.06.

Applicants should email a cover letter, resume and writing sample to <a href="mailto:recruitment@mfjlegal.org">recruitment@mfjlegal.org</a> with "Mental Health Law Project Supervising Attorney Summer 2023" in the subject line. We encourage all applicants to include in their cover letter a statement about how their background or experience might contribute to the diversity and perspective of our office. Please indicate where you saw this ad. Applications must be received by September 11, 2023. Early applications encouraged. No telephone calls please.

For further information about MFJ, please go to www.mobilizationforjustice.org.

MFJ IS AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER. All qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, sex, gender, age, religion, national origin, citizen status, marital status, physical or mental disability, military or veteran status, sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression, genetic information, or any other characteristic protected by law. BIPOC, women, people with disabilities, and LBGTQIA+ candidates are encouraged to apply.