

CANDIDATE SPECIFICATION

Locum Project Lawyer



Essential Criteria

- Understanding of and commitment to, the aims of the Project
- Understanding of and commitment to equal opportunities; understanding of the experience of disadvantaged groups; ability to apply these understandings to the job.
- Awareness of social and legal issues in the public law field
- Qualified solicitor or barrister with practical experience and knowledge of public law principles, procedures and remedies
- Experience of conducting judicial review litigation
- Knowledge of the legal aid scheme
- The ability to meet reasonable billing targets
- Legal research skills and experience
- The ability to communicate (both orally and in writing) complex legal issues to other lawyers, voluntary sector groups and individual clients in a professional way
- Word processing skills
- Self-motivation and ability to prioritise, meet deadlines and work under pressure
- Ability to be self-servicing and to work flexibly in a small multi-disciplinary team

Desirable criteria

- Sufficient knowledge and experience to be able to meet the CLS Supervisor Standard criteria in public law.
- A desire and ability to contribute to the longer term direction of PLP, and in particular to translate ideas into specific and workable projects.
- Experience in the development and delivery of training courses for lawyers and lay advisers
- Experience in the voluntary sector including working with, or serving on, voluntary management committees
- Experience of dealing with the media
- Willingness and ability to (i) be flexible about working hours, including attendance at evening meetings as required, and (ii) travel to other parts of the country from time to time, sometimes staying overnight