



Immigration Staff Attorney – Oakland Office

Social Justice Collaborative (SJC) is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit legal services organization based in California. We focus on serving low-income immigrants in their deportation cases and provide free and low-cost legal assistance to mostly Central American clients. SJC is committed to representing California's rural communities in both the Central Valley and Northern California.

SJC seeks a full-time immigration staff attorney to work in our Oakland office who will be handling Central Valley cases remotely. This position heavily involves the use of video conference and the attorney must be comfortable using technology to reach rural communities in the Central Valley.

This position is an entry-level position but does require some prior knowledge/experience. You will handle a heavy caseload of deportation defense cases along with a staff of other attorneys in a collaborative environment, including frequent court appearances in San Francisco and the Central Valley. Attorney will work closely with a paralegal and other support staff to provide holistic legal services.

Responsibilities and Duties

- Handle a large client caseload of deportation (removal) defense matters and some affirmative cases
- Remotely supervise/manage a full-time paralegal located in SJC's satellite Modesto office and work together towards case completion goals
- Conduct legal intakes to determine the forms of legal relief available (done remotely through video conference with potential clients in Modesto)
- Travel to the Central Valley monthly for court appearances in state court or occasionally to meet with clients in person
- Represent clients at the Board of Immigration Appeals
- Participate occasionally in community outreach events and presentations
- Position requires occasional work on evenings and weekends

Qualifications

- California Bar Membership required
- Spanish proficiency required
- Prior knowledge of immigration law, as reflected in internships, coursework, and/or post-graduate work
- Commitment to serving immigrant populations and under-served communities
- Self-starting attitude, ability to self-direct and work autonomously as needed
- Great communication skills, values working collaboratively in a team

Salary



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Commensurate with experience, range is \$50,000-55,000. Extremely generous benefits package, including employer-sponsored quality health insurance, dental, vision, chiropractor, pet insurance, paid vacation & sick-leave, parking permit, and simple IRA with annual corporate match

Applying

Send resume, cover letter, writing sample, and at least three references

We are an equal opportunity employer/affirmative action employer that provides equal employment opportunities to qualified employees/applicants. We do not discriminate on any basis regardless of whether it is protected by law or not.