

MANAGING LAWYER POSITION – YARMOUTH, NOVA SCOTIA

NOVA SCOTIA LEGAL AID

1 yr. Contract to Permanent Full-Time Position: Commencing in approximately September 2018

Salary range: Per Legal Aid salary scale based on “Relevant Experience” as determined by the Commission at time of hire, plus benefits.

Application deadline is midnight, August 20, 2018

The Nova Scotia Legal Aid Commission delivers legal aid services in offices located throughout the province, providing some level of help to all Nova Scotians with a focus on supporting those who are vulnerable and historically disadvantaged, including: Indigenous Peoples, African Nova Scotians, Immigrants and economically disadvantaged persons.

Who we are: Our focus is in the practice areas of criminal, family and social justice law (assistance where income or housing is at risk). We provide access-to-justice for those who would otherwise not receive legal help. In 2015, Nova Scotia Legal Aid was awarded the CBA NS Excellency in Equity and Diversity Award and we are committed to helping overcome historical barriers to access to justice.

Our goal is to be a diverse workforce that is representative, at all job levels, of the citizens we serve. Nova Scotia Legal Aid is committed to promoting diversity and inclusion. We provide an environment that welcomes and embraces individuals from diverse communities. Submission of applications is encouraged from qualified candidates from all diverse communities including, but not limited to: Indigenous persons, people from racialized communities, those with disabilities, and women in non-traditional roles. Applicants from these communities wishing to self-identify may do so on your application form, cover letter, or resume.

Location: Yarmouth, Nova Scotia is a place where history and modern culture collide – a small town on the edge of everywhere. The town of Yarmouth’s seaport is a launching point for travels into French-speaking Acadie and English-speaking communities founded by settlers known as the Planters. Yarmouth is home to the largest fishing fleet in Atlantic Canada, and is a short ferry ride from Maine. The Acadian identity is still very strong, and you can immerse yourself in the culture, traditions, laid-back lifestyle and unique dishes. Whether you love exploring the great outdoors, walking along historic waterfronts, discovering an emerging cosmopolitan food scene, or stepping into another century, you will find it here.

Our Opportunity: Managing Lawyer position in Yarmouth, Nova Scotia practicing criminal and family law. As a key member of the Nova Scotia Legal Aid Leadership Team, you will provide strategic vision for growth and innovation to the Yarmouth Legal Aid team.

Qualifications: Successful candidate must be a practicing, insured member in good standing of the Nova Scotia Barristers' Society with a thorough understanding of Criminal and Family Law, with at least 5 years of practice experience in these areas.

As the preferred candidate, you have prior experience in a broad range of complex family and criminal matters representing clients before the courts and have demonstrated the ability to mentor and train junior lawyers and support staff. A commitment to providing excellent client service, as well as strong interpersonal and communication skills are valuable assets. Competency to conduct legal proceedings in both the English and French languages would also be an asset.

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While we appreciate receiving all applications, only applicants selected for an interview will be contacted. All applications will be held in strict confidence.