

PLT placement – volunteer role

Western Sydney Community Legal Centre Limited (WSCLC) is looking for 1-2 volunteers interested in completing their Practical Legal Training hours in a busy legal practice providing free legal advice and support to people in the Western Sydney area. We have offices in Parramatta and Rooty Hill.

We operate a variety of legal services including:

- a generalist legal practice (assisting on a range of civil, criminal, family, and care and protection matters),
- a Traffic Court duty scheme,
- the Multicultural Legal Service,
- the Aboriginal Legal Access Program,
- the Domestic Violence Response Pilot Program,
- the Home Building Advocacy Service, and
- an Outreach service (advising clients from various community locations).

The successful applicants would be exposed to a diverse range of legal matters and practice settings. They will gain experience in:

- client interviewing;
- legal database management;
- drafting client communications;
- undertaking legal research;
- drafting legal documents;
- writing submissions;
- preparing legal advice;
- assisting with law reform; and
- developing community legal education resources.

Parramatta Office

Monday to Friday: 9.30am – 1.00pm and 2.00pm – 4.30pm Phone: (02) 8833 0911 Suite 302, Level 3, 107 Phillip St, Parramatta NSW 2150 PO Box 23, Parramatta NSW 2124

WSCLC Ltd provides many ways for the community of Western Sydney to access legal advice and services. Please visit <u>https://www.wsclc.org.au/how-can-we-help/general-legal-practice/</u> for further information.



Your work will help clients from a range of backgrounds including Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders, persons with a disability, victims of domestic violence, those facing financial hardship, and individuals who are culturally and linguistically diverse.

The successful applicants will be hard working, strong communicators with a passion for social justice. Volunteering with WSCLC is a great opportunity to gain essential skills and build a career in the community legal sector.

We strongly encourage applications from Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

Selection criteria:

- commenced (or about to commence) your Practical Legal Training course;
- available for 2 or 3 days a week for a minimum of 6 months;
- excellent oral and written communication skills;
- ability to manage time and competing deadlines;
- capacity to problem solve when given new or unfamiliar tasks; and
- an understanding of the work and aims of the community legal sector.

To apply, please email a cover letter, a statement addressing the selection criteria, your CV, and your academic transcript to <u>volunteers@wsclc.org.au</u>. We encourage applicants to address the selection criteria using the STAR model.

For more information, please email <u>volunteers@wsclc.org.au</u> or call Caitlin Comensoli on (02) 8833 0989.

Applications close 5pm Friday 28 January 2022.

NOTE: This is an unpaid role.