

VOLUNTEER JOB DESCRIPTION TEMPLATE: ATTORNEY EMERITUS

Name of Organization: Legal Assistance of Western New York, Inc. - Geneva Office

Brief Description of Organization: LawNY is a non-profit law firm, established to provide access to the justice system to low-income people and other vulnerable populations with civil legal problems. LAWNY helps qualified clients in five rural upstate New York counties: Livingston, Ontario, Seneca, Wayne, and Yates.

Population Served: Children, domestic violence survivors, the elderly, low income families, state residents, working poor and homeless persons.

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VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Elder Law: Prospective clients generally must have a referral from the County Office for the Aging. This project operates in Ontario, Seneca (no referral needed), Wayne and Yates Counties.

Seniors Health Law Project - Wayne County – assists seniors with legal problems related to nursing home stays or efforts to avoid nursing home placement.

Can Volunteers Work Off Site? Yes.

Type of Work: Full Representation; Limited Legal Advice; Administrative Hearings & Agency Advocacy.

Location, Days and Hours of Volunteer Opportunity:
Volunteers' own office, except for clinics.

Area of Substantive Law: Elder Law.

Supervision: All volunteers are supervised by a staff attorney.

Training: LAWNY has access to an on-line library of materials from Empire Justice Center. This includes a wide variety of training formats, including live programs, taped programs, webinars, and written manuals.

REQUIREMENTS OF VOLUNTEER

Time Commitment: Minimum of 20 hours per week, unless we have a special project available that is more time limited.

Previous Experience in Substantive Law Required: No.

Specific/Previous Training Required: No.

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