

VOLUNTEER JOB DESCRIPTION TEMPLATE: ATTORNEY EMERITUS
Name of Organization: Immigration Equality
Brief Description of Organization: Immigration Equality is a national organization that works to end discrimination in U.S. immigration law, to reduce the negative impact of that law on the lives of lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and HIV-positive people, and to help obtain asylum for those persecuted in their home country based on their sexual orientation, transgender identity or HIV-status. Through education, outreach, advocacy, and the maintenance of a nationwide network of resources, we provide information and support to advocates, attorneys, politicians, and those who are threatened by persecution or the discriminatory impact of the law.
Population Served: LGBT and HIV positive people, persecuted in their home country based on their sexual orientation or status, seeking asylum to the US by themselves or with their partners.
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VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES	
Immigration Equality uses volunteer attorneys in two ways: a) an attorney can take his/her own asylum case for pro bono representation with our mentoring; or b) an attorney can volunteer to be in our office for set hours during the week for a set period of time. In the office setting, individuals may work on their own asylum case or pitch in doing intakes, research, or other projects. Currently, Immigration Equality cannot host volunteers on-site.	
Can Volunteers Work Off Site: Yes.	
Type of Work: Full Representation.	
Location, Days and Hours of Volunteer Opportunity: As of May 2011, volunteers work off-site only.	Area of Substantive Law: Asylum Law; Immigration.
Supervision: Volunteer is mentored.	Training: On-the-job training and mentoring provided by staff attorneys. An asylum manual designed for pro bono attorneys is located on Immigration Equality's website.

REQUIREMENTS OF VOLUNTEER	
Time Commitment: Depends on the case and if it is off-site. In total, assignments can take between 30 and 100 hours.	
Previous Experience in Substantive Law Required: No.	Specific/Previous Training Required: No.

OTHER INFORMATION
Currently, Immigration Equality is at capacity both in terms of physical space and supervisory time to take on anyone else in-house.