

VOLUNTEER JOB DESCRIPTION TEMPLATE: ATTORNEY EMERITUS

Name of Organization: Urban Justice Center (UJC)

Brief Description of Organization: For 26 years, the Urban Justice Center has served New York City's most vulnerable residents through a combination of direct legal service, systemic advocacy, community education, and political organizing.

Populations Served: UJC represents an extraordinary array of the most deprived and abused people in our society, including members of the working poor, and works on issues related to discrimination and oppression.

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VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

The Human Rights Project (HRP): HRP attempts to situate domestic poverty and discrimination issues within a human rights framework. HRP uses this framework to promote a higher standard of government accountability in regards to economic, social and cultural rights. HRP spearheads efforts to document, monitor, and report on economic human rights violations in the United States, and then publicize its findings through publications, community education, and direct action. HRP provides training to other groups seeking to use human rights standards in their work. HRP focuses on economic, social and cultural rights with a particular emphasis on discrimination. HRP actively seeks volunteers and collaborators for all of its projects, which include The New York City Human Rights Initiative. In addition, HRP joins the Independent Commission on Public Education (ICOPE) on the steps of City Hall to demand that Mayor Bloomberg and Chancellor Klein apply human rights standards to the policies and practices of the NYC school system.

Can Volunteers Work Off Site? Sometimes. HRP is very flexible and although some amount of time at UJC's office will likely be necessary, the Attorney Emeritus can also work from home or their own office.

Type of Work: Full Representation; Legal Research & Writing; Community Education.

Location, Days and Hours of Volunteer Opportunity:
Urban Justice Center Office.

Area of Substantive Law: Human Rights Law.

Supervision: Other HRP attorneys will be on-site and available to the attorney emeritus as needed. However the ideal candidate will have significant experience with human rights matters and will not require significant supervision. If the volunteer works offsite, supervision can be available by telephone as needed.

Training: HRP will provide an orientation and training materials to the Attorney Emeritus. Additional training can be provided as needed.

REQUIREMENTS OF VOLUNTEER

Time Commitment: HRP seeks a volunteer willing to devote approximately 2 to 3 days per week for an extended period of time.

Previous Experience in Substantive Law Required: No. **Specific/Previous Training Required:** No.

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