

PRO BONO OPPORTUNITIES

The Legal Aid Society of Metropolitan Family Services has been empowering the Chicago area's most vulnerable people by providing equal access to justice since 1886. LAS provides critical legal services each year to more than 11,000 low-income families, addressing domestic violence, elder abuse, human trafficking & housing issues.

We offer many opportunities for private attorneys gain valuable experience in areas including:

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE Issues related to family law, including domestic violence, divorce, child custody and support issues

ELDER LAW Issues related to elder abuse, neglect, and financial exploitation of seniors

HOUSING LAW Represents clients in evictions, housing voucher terminations, and other landlord-tenant issues

HUMAN TRAFFICKING Provides holistic legal representation to human trafficking survivors on legal issues related to their exploitation



8,080 TOTAL
HOURS VOLUNTEERED
IN 2018

LAS PROVIDES:

- MCLE-accredited training and mentoring in some areas
- Mentoring and support from licensed attorneys with subject matter expertise
- Malpractice insurance

Kathleen Curtin
Curtin Law, LLC
Volunteer since 2009
Recipient of LAS Outstanding Pro Bono Service Award

Ms. Curtin is one of the Legal Aid Society's most engaged and committed pro bono attorneys. She has handled numerous QDROs/QLDROs and advises Legal Aid Society attorneys, helping to navigate the complicated field of pension benefits and ensuring a stable financial future for clients.



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VOLUNTEER QUESTIONNAIRE

Name: _____ Secondary phone: _____

Email: _____ Address: _____

Primary phone: _____

Law school or university: _____

Year graduated: _____

Foreign language? _____ Level of fluency: _____

How did you hear about the Legal Aid Society (LAS)? _____

ATTORNEYS

Law Firm: _____

Are you licensed to practice in Illinois? Yes No

If yes, how many years of legal experience do you have? _____

In which field(s) of law? _____

Which pro bono opportunities most interest you?

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Elder law | <input type="checkbox"/> Simple divorces |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Human trafficking | <input type="checkbox"/> Wills, trusts, and estates |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Housing law | <input type="checkbox"/> Small claims, contracts, and collections |

LAW STUDENTS/ RECENT GRADUATES

Do you have a 711 license? Yes No

When are you interested in opportunities with LAS? Spring Summer Fall

How many hours can you volunteer per week? _____

What days/times are you available to volunteer? _____

Will you receive credit or funding for this position? Credit Funding

Which practice group(s) interest you? Health, Housing, & Economic Stability Safety & Family Individual Rights & Social Justice