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

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

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PRO BONO OPPORTUNITIES

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?

☐ Elder law  ☐ Simple divorces
☐ Human trafficking  ☐ Wills, trusts, and estates
☐ Housing law  ☐ 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