



D.C. TENANTS' RIGHTS CENTER
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Position Announcement: Staff Attorney

Start date: Flexible

The D.C. Tenants' Rights Center seeks an attorney to join its growing "low bono" law practice.

We are a small, private, public-interest law firm. Our goal is to find ways to provide high-quality legal help that is affordable to any tenant in the District of Columbia. We charge low fees, accept cases on contingency, and offer unbundled services.

We assist with repair issues, evictions, withheld security deposits, illegal rent increases, personal injuries, and other disputes with landlords. We also help persons with disabilities facing housing discrimination; and we represent tenants asserting rights under the D.C. Tenant Opportunity to Purchase Act.

The staff attorney will advise tenants, negotiate with landlords, and provide representation in all phases of litigation. The attorney will also be involved in developing the firm's strategies for expanding access to legal services.

Candidates must already be licensed to practice law, and, if not barred in the District of Columbia, must be eligible to waive in to the D.C. Bar. The ideal candidate will have some or all of the following:

- A commitment to social justice, and to zealous, client-empowering advocacy;
- Strong research, analytical, and writing skills;
- Good oral communication skills;
- Spanish-language skills;
- A D.C. Bar license;
- The ability to juggle multiple tasks;
- An entrepreneurial spirit;
- Work experience in housing-law matters; and
- Litigation experience.

The position is compensated at rates comparable to those at nonprofit legal services organizations. Interested persons should email a cover letter and resume to employment@dcTenants.com. Questions are welcome. Applications will be reviewed as they are received.