

# Worcester Housing Authority 630A Plantation Street Worcester, MA 01605

**POSITION TITLE:** Legal Assistant

**DEPARTMENT:** Legal

**STATUS:** Non-Exempt

**SALARY:** \$25 - \$28 per hour

#### **POSITION SUMMARY:**

This is an entry-level position. The Legal Assistant provides clerical and administrative support to the General Counsel, Deputy General Counsel and Paralegal within the Legal Department and Leased Housing Department. The position requires a high level of confidentiality and discretion.

### **ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS:**

- 1. Reports directly to the Paralegal, under the supervision of the General Counsel and Deputy General Counsel.
- 2. Manages daily administrative tasks including phone calls, correspondence, mailing, scanning, and filing, both electronic and paper documentation.
- 3. Assists the Deputy General Counsel with calculating income and legal matters regarding lease violations and proposed terminations of Section 8 participants.
- 4. Coordinates with Leased Housing Program Representatives in collecting documentation from Section 8 participants.
- 5. Handles requests for file reviews, including accessing and reviewing files, scheduling, preparing copies, and maintaining review log.
- 6. Manages the administrative functions of the reasonable accommodation request process, including mailing and filing letters, and updating the request log.
- 7. Manages the functions of the illegal trash disposal program, including maintaining the database, issuing notices, following up on cases, and communicating with WHA staff.
- 8. Prepares, issues, and maintains no trespass notices, including correspondence with WHA staff and WPD.
- 9. Maintains and submits invoices for payment from department vendors.
- 10. Assists with the administrative functions of court cases, including drafting documents, collecting information, preparing complaints, managing court lists, e-filing, and reconciling the court bank account.
- 11. Responds to third party requests for information, and processes electronic and paper document requests.
- 12. Assists with processing discrimination and tort claims, including working with outside counsel and insurance companies.

## **OTHER RESPONSIBILITIES:**

1. Performs similar job-related duties as assigned.



### **EDUCATION, EXPERIENCE, AND SKILLS DESIRED:**

- 1. Two or four year college degree preferred.
- 2. Two years' experience working in a fast-paced office environment preferred.
- 3. Proficiency using Microsoft Office software, including Teams, Excel, Word, and Outlook, and using databases.
- 4. Excellent customer service and interpersonal communication skills.
- 5. Excellent attention to detail.
- 6. Ability to multi-task effectively, manage time, set priorities, and meet deadlines.
- 7. High level of integrity and ability to maintain confidential information.
- 8. Bilingual speakers (Spanish/English) strongly encouraged to apply.
- 9. Dependable; ability to be relied upon to be available for work.