

Immigration Project Attorney - KCSDV, Topeka

Position: Immigration Project Attorney

KCSDV

Topeka, KS

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Responsible to: Director of Legal and Policy

Primary Responsibilities:

Provide some direct representation and increase and improve the statewide capacity for appropriate advocacy services and competent legal representation in immigration and family law proceedings for immigrant survivors of sexual violence, domestic violence, stalking, and sex trafficking across Kansas.

Specific Duties:

- Collaborate with immigration and family law attorneys in Kansas to improve the capacity for legal representation of immigrant survivors.
- Supervise and provide legal consultation and support to the Department of Justice (DOJ) accredited representative (known as KCSDV's Special Immigrant Legal Advocate) in providing legal services to immigrant survivors.
- Collaborate with the Outreach Advocacy Coordinator and other KCSDV staff on projects related to cultural competency, language access, legal services, and the provision of technical assistance.
- Provide legal technical assistance, research, and case consultation to attorneys on issues impacting survivors in family law and immigration proceedings.
- Provide direct legal services to survivors of sexual and domestic violence, sex trafficking and stalking on VAWA self-petitions, U visas, T visas, battered spouse waivers, adjustments of status, petitions for work authorization, and other immigration and family law remedies related to domestic and sexual violence.
- Develop curricula for and facilitate trainings for family law and immigration attorneys on effective and ethical representation of survivors, immigration remedies, and family law considerations.
- Serve as faculty on all relevant KCSDV trainings.
- Provide training and technical assistance to attorneys, advocates, and allied professionals on issues impacting immigrant survivors and their children.
- Assist with other KCSDV duties as assigned.

Benefits:

Health, dental, life, and long- and short-term disability insurance, Section 125 mini-flex

plan, and 401k plan retirement contribution

Employment Status: 100% full-time, exempt

**Knowledge, Skills and Abilities Needed:**

Juris doctorate and admission to Kansas and Federal Bar. Knowledge of immigration law. Knowledge of legal and systems issues involved in domestic violence and sexual assault, especially as relates to immigration law. Previous background in domestic violence and sexual assault advocacy. Proven writing and speaking ability. Fluency in Spanish required. Demonstrated ability to maintain strict confidentiality. Ability to travel and have means of own transportation. Must be able to carry 20-30 lbs.

**To Apply:**

Send resume, 3 references, writing sample, and cover letter to KCSDV, ATTN: Legal and Policy Director, 634 SW Harrison, Topeka, KS 66603