



JOB OPPORTUNITY

Background

The Legal Aid Service Providers Network in Uganda is an umbrella organisation of civil society players that offer free legal services to the poor. It is mainly focused on becoming a functional and effective coordinating institution for the Legal Aid Service Providers capable of providing strategic linkages and a collaboration framework, as well as building a common front to interface with the different institutions in the Justice, Law and Order Sector (JLOS). LASPNET is currently staffing the workforce of its Coordination Unit.

Applications are invited from suitably qualified Ugandans to fill the following post to be situated at the Secretariat located at the Legal Aid Clinic of the Law Development Centre, Makerere.

Title of Post: **Legal Officer (1 post)**

Job Description

1. To conduct policy research in liaison with legal aid providers for collective advocacy
2. To strengthen strategic linkages between LASPNET and the key JLOS institutions
3. To act as secretary to the LASPNET Steering Committee and any such related meetings
4. To provide expertise to ensure that LASPNET's complies with its legal obligations
5. To deputise the National Coordinator in the management of LASPNET's activities
6. To perform any other tasks as may be assigned.

Qualifications

- A good Honors Degree in Law from a recognised university
- A post graduate diploma from the Law Development Centre
- Must be enrolled as an Advocate
- Must be computer literate

Experience

At least five years work experience as a practicing advocate in a law firm, government department, or NGO providing legal aid. Knowledge of human rights and policy reform is imperative, as is experience in carrying out advocacy work. Skills in project management are desirable but the person should be a renown team player and capable of working with minimum supervision.

Age: not more than 35 years

Salary: a competitive salary and medical allowance will be offered to the right candidate.

Applications must be accompanied by:

- i). a detailed curriculum vitae
- ii). copies of academic qualifications, testimonials, and certification of any other training
- iii). 3 references from persons knowledgeable of your experience, character and professional conduct.

Applications should be addressed to:

The Project Director

LASPNET SECRETARIAT

P.O. Box 7117, KAMPALA

Closing date: 25th September 2009.