



Domestic Violence Solicitor – Family Law Practice

- Professional 2 (P2) \$88,204 \$105,445 plus Superannuation
- 15 Month Contract
- Katherine

About the Northern Territory Legal Aid Commission:

The Northern Territory Legal Aid Commission (Legal Aid NT) is an independent statutory authority established under the *Legal Aid Act 1990*. Our purpose is to ensure that people in the Northern Territory understand their legal rights and disadvantaged people have access to quality legal services, and to uphold a fair Northern Territory and national justice system.

About the role:

We have an exciting new position that will bring an important integrated family safety focused service to the Katherine Region.

The Domestic Violence Solicitor – Family Law Practice role provides high quality legal assistance, including duty lawyer services to defendants in Domestic Violence Order matters. There will also be opportunity to provide advice and assistance in child protection and family law matters, with the supervision and mentorship of the Managing Solicitor of the Legal Aid NT Family Law Practice. With a focus on family safety, this position involves working collaboratively with the Men's Behaviour Change Program (MBCP) support worker and with other stakeholders in the region, helping clients access available supports to address their underlying needs.

This role is part of a growing team of Solicitors across the Territory who are specialists in working with perpetrators of family violence. The role is also embedded in a small office with a client support worker and crime and health justice lawyers; and will contribute to implementation of the Model to support the response to DFSV in Katherine and development of a therapeutic domestic and family violence court.

About you:

You want to make a difference and have a passion for working in domestic and family violence. You have exceptional interpersonal skills and the ability to work non-collusively with people with complex needs who are alleged to use violence either as primary victims or perpetrators.

You have or wish to gain experience working with First Nations clients, including with the assistance of the Aboriginal Interpreter Service (AIS).

You will have high-level of initiative, including the ability to work with minimal supervision in undertaking tasks and addressing challenges. You will have the ability to deliver high quality legal advice and representation to defendants to applications for domestic violence orders, and a range of related child protection and family law matters.

Employee benefits:

Legal Aid NT offers attractive employment benefits such as 6 weeks annual leave and salary packaging options. Whilst the work is challenging, you will be rewarded with a culture that is focused on meeting the legal needs of vulnerable people in the Northern Territory.

How to apply:

To be considered for the role, applicants are required to submit a current resume, a statement addressing the selection criteria (maximum 2 pages), and copies of your tertiary qualifications.

Applications must be submitted by email to <u>recruitment@legalaid.nt.gov.au</u> by **4pm Thursday 5** October 2023.

Further Information:

A duty statement, including selection criteria can be obtained from <u>www.legalaid.nt.gov.au</u>.

Further information on the role, please contact Human Resources on 08 8999 3000 or recruitment@legalaid.nt.gov.au

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