New Volunteer Training

Wednesday, January 29th, 2020 10:30am – 1:30pm

Lunch will be provided



The <u>Washington Legal Clinic for the Homeless</u> provides comprehensive legal services throughout the District of Columbia, breaking down barriers for our clients and helping members of our community access housing, shelter, and other life-saving services. This important work is possible thanks to our network of over 250 volunteer attorneys and paralegals, who assist low and no-income clients with advice, advocacy and/or representation. Volunteers meet with clients at one of 7 intake sites (including meal programs, health clinics, and day programs) for sessions lasting approximately 1 hour, and can expect to speak with an average of 2-5 clients at each intake. If a client's legal issues fall within our case-counseling guidelines, the volunteer will act as the primary legal representative for those clients; volunteers receive support and guidance from legal clinic staff attorneys on every case.

Requirements:

- All attorneys and paralegals must attend a training and submit a volunteer application.
- **Volunteer attorneys** must 1) be members of the District of Columbia Bar, *or* 2) have begun the procedure to waive-in admission, *or* 3) have completed their DC bar exam, pending results.
- **Federal government volunteers** are not required to be members of the District of Columbia Bar, but must be a member in good standing of the highest court of any state.
- Non-attorney volunteers (paralegals, law students) are invited to attend the training, but are required to volunteer under the supervision of an attorney admitted to the District of Columbia Bar.

RSVP Required – please contact:

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