Job Description: Migrant Farm Worker Division (MFWD) Staff Attorney

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NATURE OF WORK

MFWD litigates cases in federal and state courts and provide administrative advocacy involving the working conditions of farm workers across Colorado, focusing on wage theft, human trafficking, immigration, and civil rights. MFWD’s comprehensive community education program involves outreach to workers at labor camps and to community-based groups. The client community is comprised primarily of Latino migrant and seasonal farm workers. Working closely with the MFWD Managing Attorney and paralegal(s), the Staff Attorney will handle a full caseload and exercise initiative, sound judgment and creativity to solve the legal problems of migrant farm workers.

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

- Participate in federal and state litigation, and administrative advocacy;
- Conduct summer outreach to workers at labor camps;
- Work with community-based groups and other advocates committed to combating poverty and injustice;
- Supervise summer interns (law students) doing outreach throughout Colorado; and
- Assist in special projects and/or administrative tasks that maintain or enhance effective operation of CLS and/or MFWD.

QUALIFICATIONS

The ideal candidate has experience working with or on behalf of low-income communities, a demonstrated commitment to workers’ rights and social justice, excellent writing and communication skills and the ability to successfully balance a variety of responsibilities. Spanish/English proficiency and regular travel in Colorado are required. Preference for applicants with prior litigation experience and admission to the Colorado Bar or eligible for reciprocal admission.