



DOWSE & CO SOLICITORS- DALSTON LONDON E8

RECRUITING A HOUSING LAWYER/ CASE WORKER

Role: Full or part time Housing Law Solicitor / Case worker based in Dalston, London E8.

Salary: £30,000 to £50,000.

Summary :

We are expanding our Housing Law department by recruiting an enthusiastic solicitor/caseworker. We represent clients on a range of housing matters including possession actions, disrepair, homelessness, injunctions, unlawful eviction, leaseholder disputes and succession matters. We act almost exclusively for tenants and leaseholders.

Responsibilities:

- Advising clients about their housing law rights and remedies
- Advising clients on funding options- including CFAs- and legal costs throughout their case
- Preparing Legal aid applications and all subsequent housing franchise requirements, including issuing emergency certificates
- Negotiating with landlords and their representatives to settle cases pre-action, where possible
- Instructing experts
- Preparing pleadings and schedules
- Pursuing civil actions up to trial
- Recovering inter partes costs and efficient billing
- Team work alongside other Solicitors will be key,
- Maintaining case management systems and contributing to practice management
- Providing in house training to colleagues on housing law and civil procedure

The candidate:

- Applications from NQ to solidly experienced solicitors and housing caseworkers will be considered
- Experience in legal aid work and billing legal aid will be useful (but training will be provided to the right candidate).
- Demonstrate commitment to legal aid work and social welfare law
- Good knowledge of civil litigation procedure
- A willingness to develop advocacy skills and to attend court for applications and case management
- Evidence of commitment to professional development and interest in housing law and tenants rights

The Firm:

Dowse & Co has been a partnership for 125 years. We have a longstanding commitment to our community and a reputation for excellence and professionalism. We believe in access to justice and do our best to provide first class legal representation and advice irrespective of our client's means and circumstances. We recruit to retain and many of our lawyers and partners have been trainees at the firm.

Our terms of employment are good and we try to be as flexible as possible to accommodate the different needs of employees: we practice equality in the workplace but always strive to do better. We actively recruit part time employees .

Closing date: Friday 18 March 2022

Please send CV and covering letter ps@dowse.co.uk and/or call Patrick Spence on 020 7254 6205 to discuss the role. See our website at www.dowse.co.uk