

VACANCY: HOUSING/ PUBLIC LAW SOLICITOR

Closing date for applications: 30th April 2023.

Hopkin Murray Beskine is seeking a solicitor, with 2 years or more PQE, for our leading housing and public law team. We are a long established Islington firm with legal aid contracts in housing, public law and family law. We have a thriving legal aid practice alongside privately funded and conditional fee work. Our solicitors are leaders in their field and the team is recommended in the Chambers UK Guide and Legal 500.

Hopkin Murray Beskine's housing and public law team has a well-earned reputation for high quality work covering a broad range of housing cases including possession, illegal eviction, homelessness, and disrepair including personal injury.

We have a particular expertise in housing-related public law challenges and judicial review cases, with many reported cases. Members of our team act frequently in cases concerning the housing needs of disabled children and their families, and in discrimination challenges. We receive referrals from a high number of sources including charities assisting refugees, Irish Travellers, survivors of domestic violence, and victims of trafficking. We participate in the housing possession court duty scheme at Clerkenwell & Shoreditch County Court.

This role would offer an excellent opportunity for a solicitor wanting to build a broad housing law caseload, or a solicitor wishing to develop expertise in housing-related public law. We encourage colleagues to develop their expertise in areas of law of interest to them.

Key responsibilities of the role

You will either have Legal Aid Agency supervisor status, or aspire to achieve it, with support from our team.

Depending on your level of experience you will have the opportunity to manage or supervise junior team members.

You will be invited to join regular training, and deliver occasional training to the team depending on your experience.

Key skills

A minimum of 2 years PQE. We will also consider applicants with much greater levels of experience.

A sound or growing knowledge of housing law and litigation. Experience of public law litigation would be an advantage.

Experience of acting as a duty solicitor under the housing possession court duty scheme would be an advantage, or a willingness to develop your skills in that area.

A working knowledge of CCMS and public funding.

We offer:

- A competitive salary commensurate with your experience, plus a bonus scheme.
- A friendly, supportive, work environment, in which you can develop high professional standards, and progress your skills and abilities.
- Generous holidays and flexible working arrangements, supporting your work at home and in the office. We are happy to consider part-time working arrangements.

How to apply

Apply by 30th April 2023 with a detailed CV and covering letter by email to reception@hmb solicitors.co.uk

We will acknowledge receipt of all applications and will let you know whether we would like to invite you to an interview.

We seek to recruit a diverse workforce and welcome applicants from all backgrounds.

<https://www.hmb solicitors.co.uk/recruitment/>