

Managing Solicitor – Shelter - London £43,128 pa plus excellent benefits London EC1

Closing date: Tuesday 24th October 2017 at 11.30pm

We're looking for an experienced **Managing Solicitor** who will successfully lead our London team in providing a viable, high quality legal service to homeless people and other people in housing need.

Shelter helps millions of people every year struggling with bad housing or homelessness through our advice, support and legal services. And we campaign to make sure that, one day, no one will have to turn to us for help. We're here so no one has to fight bad housing or homelessness on their own.

Shelter Legal Services team has an enviable national reputation for excellence in the provision of housing law. As well as providing casework services for individual clients and internal consultancy, we support the organisational priorities of policy and campaigning on housing law and access to justice issues. We are committed to continuous improvement to meet the demands arising out of the external environment including legal aid reform. You will form part of our wider London Legal Services and London Hub team currently based in three London offices in Islington, Hackney and Newham and two outer London offices in Crawley and Slough.

## **About the Role:**

As Managing Solicitor, you'll be responsible for managing, supervising, supporting and developing a team of solicitors, advisers and support staff, providing a specialist legal casework service in housing law, including litigation and consultancy. Making sure we deliver high quality legal work and maximise income generation and liaising with colleagues across Shelter to guarantee the effective delivery of our services.

## About you

With substantial experience of handling a wide range of housing cases, both public and private sector, you will have an in-depth knowledge of issues like homelessness, security of tenure and possessions proceedings as well as Legal Aid supervisor status in housing. The ability to manage teams to achieve targets, good communication skills and problem solving skills are also essential.

**Benefits** include 30 days' annual leave, the possibility of flexible working, enhanced family friendly policies and significant opportunities for learning and development.

For further information about the role and the benefits of working for Shelter please visit our website.

We shortlist applicants for interview by matching the details given on the completed application form against both the role description and the person specification. We'll be looking for clear evidence to show that your experience, skills and knowledge match those set out in the person specification and role description. All parts of the role description and person specification should be clearly addressed in the questionnaire section as indicated, as information not given or not made explicit on the application form cannot be taken into account in the shortlisting process. Please note that CVs are not accepted.

We will support you throughout the recruitment process with any reasonable adjustments required in accordance with the Disability Discrimination Act. Please contact the Recruitment Team if you require support.



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Shelter is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of clients, in particular children, young people and vulnerable adults, and expects all staff, workers and volunteers to share this commitment.

At Shelter, we welcome and encourage applications from everyone regardless of age, disability, gender, ethnicity, religion and sexual orientation. We are facing diverse problems, so need diverse people to tackle them.

Shelter does not accept unsolicited CVs from external recruitment agencies nor accept the fees associated with them.