



**Housing Litigation Solicitor**  
**£37,030 pa plus excellent benefits**  
**Manchester**

**Closing date: 01 September 2019 at 11.30pm**

Do you have post qualification experience of housing litigation that includes representing in court on behalf of homeless people or people in housing need? Then join Shelter as a **Housing Litigation Solicitor** and you could soon be playing a vital role within our busy legal aid team.

A home is a fundamental human need, as essential as education or healthcare. Yet millions of people across Britain struggle on a daily basis with homelessness, bad housing conditions, soaring rents, discrimination and the threat of eviction. So, we are striving for change — with individuals, in communities, across society — and leading the way to a safe home. We need ambitious, best-in-class individuals who are passionate about our cause to join us at this exciting time. This is your chance to play a part in the fundamental change we are striving to achieve.

#### **About the role**

You will work on a varied caseload that includes dealing with emergency cases and identifying and carrying out strategic litigation. We'll also rely on you to provide consultancy work, technical supervision and line management and delegate work to ensure it's carried out efficiently and to the highest standard. Carrying out court representation, including at Housing Duty Possession Schemes, will be important too, as will ensuring funding is maximised on each case. And, when it comes to training and developing others, promoting our legal services or identifying referrals from internal and external sources, again, we'll count on you to deliver.

#### **About you**

A qualified solicitor, you have substantial experience of handling a wide range of housing cases (public and private sector) on issues including homelessness, security of tenure and possession proceedings. You also have a sound knowledge of legal aid (publicly funded) work, including legal representation and legal help. A proven ability to meet the 2018 SQM supervisor standard in housing is essential too, as is a proactive, client-focused approach, a willingness to challenge the status quo and a real commitment to achieving positive results.

#### **Benefits**

We offer a wide range of benefits, including 30 days of annual leave, enhanced family friendly policies, childcare vouchers, pension and interest free travel loans. Our employees also have access to a tenancy deposit loan, cycle to work scheme and an employee assistance programme.

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.

**To find out more about the role and the benefits of working for Shelter please visit our website. Apply to be part of our Legal Services team and be the change you want to see in society. See apply URL:**

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Safeguarding is everyone's business. Shelter is committed to protecting the health, wellbeing and human rights of those we support, and enabling them to live free from harm, abuse and neglect. All our staff will be expected to observe professional standards of behaviour and conduct their work in line with our Safeguarding Policies.

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.**

