

SOUTH COASTAL COUNTIES LEGAL SERVICES, INC. (SCCLS) is a non-profit corporation which provides free civil legal services to low-income and elderly residents of our communities. Our four main offices and three outreach locations serve clients in Barnstable, Bristol, Dukes, Nantucket, and Plymouth Counties, and the towns of Avon and Stoughton. Our mission is to achieve equal justice for the poor and disadvantaged through community based legal advocacy. SCCLS provides civil legal services in the areas of housing law, family law, government benefits including social security disability, elder law, education law, immigration, and consumer law. SCCLS has staff who are fluent in Spanish and Portuguese. Attorneys and paralegals represent clients with legal problems in our priority areas of special importance to the poor and elderly. SCCLS also provides some group representation, and community education.

SCCLS would welcome the addition of a fellow (deferred associate) at any or all of our four main offices located in Brockton, Fall River, Hyannis and New Bedford. At each location we would place a fellow with an experienced attorney mentor and provide the fellow first hand legal experience representing clients. Depending on the fellow's status of admission to the bar or eligibility to take the Massachusetts Bar they would be representing clients in the courts of the Commonwealth or in administrative proceedings before administrative law judges or hearing officers. The fellows would be assigned cases, be provided with attorney supervision and have access to computer networks that provide research resources (WestLaw), a case management system and common software applications.

SCCLS' needs vary from office to office. However, we do adhere to our priorities and areas of practice remain consistent throughout the organization. Our primary needs in all of our offices right now would be help in family law (domestic violence cases including divorce in the Probate and Family Courts), housing law (representing tenants facing eviction or loss of public rent subsidies and homeowners facing foreclosure) and benefits work (representing claimants in unemployment compensation cases and rights to other public benefits).

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