



**Attorney  
at CHILDRENS LAW CENTER**

*Established in 1989, Children's Law Center, Inc. (CLC) is a unique nonprofit law firm that protects the rights of children and youth—so they can grow into adulthood in safe, healthy ways. Through direct legal assistance, policy reform, and community education, CLC advocates for young people across Ohio and Kentucky. We offer services across the justice system, child-welfare system, education system, and beyond.*

***We invite you to join the passionate, caring, and knowledgeable team!***

**Position Description:** CLC is seeking an attorney, who will be based in our Lexington, KY office. This attorney will initially focus on representing children affected by the opioid crisis and substance use disorders. The attorney will provide holistic legal services to children and youth in accordance with the objectives and values of CLC. The attorney will:

- Provide direct representation to children in courts as Guardian ad Litem in the following types of cases: protection orders; custody; dependency, neglect, and abuse; and criminal.
- Provide direct representation to children in Educational Law cases including representation in ARC meetings, manifestation determination hearings, expulsion hearings, and due process hearings.
- Gain specialized knowledge and duties relevant to legal services in education, victims' rights, and other fields.
- Ensure productive client communications and relationships – with children, youth, and families.
- Engage in community outreach and education.
- Assist with data collection and management, as well as reporting for internal and external purposes.
- Participate in legal clinics and other community-based activities.
- Cultivate and leverage relationships with professionals in relevant legal- and social-service systems, such as attorneys, clerks, prosecutors, public defenders, school administrators, judges, hearing officers, judges, law enforcement officers, policymakers, politicians, case managers, nonprofit leaders, social-service providers and others.
- Advocate on public policy issues in collaboration with Executive Director and other staff.
- Occasionally support fundraising efforts (e.g. writing portions of grant reports and applications, meeting with donors, etc., in collaboration with Development Director and Executive Director).

**Required:** J.D.; Kentucky bar admission or ability to waive in; excellent communication and interpersonal skills; ability to multitask effectively; ability to thrive in different legal

environments; strong writing and advocacy skills; cultural competency; desire to work with community partners; excellent problem-solving skills; keen attention to detail.

**Preferred:** Previous family law and/or education law experience; demonstrated desire and history of public interest practice.