



## **HOUSING CASEWORKER/SOLICITOR**

**35 Hours per week**

**Salary range NJC scale SP 31-42**

**£30,967- £40,605**

Law Centres defend the legal rights of people who cannot afford a lawyer. We are specialist legal professionals working in our local community to uphold justice and advance equality.

The housing team at Southwark Law Centre delivers specialist legal advice and assistance including telephone and email advice to frontline advice agencies and casework including appeals and judicial review. The majority of our caseload involves homeless applications and preventing evictions. The need for our services has never been greater.

We are in the process of setting up a new service in Lewisham which does not currently have a Law Centre. We envisage that this post will initially be based at our office in Peckham, transferring to Lewisham when the new Legal Aid contracts start in September 2018.

The successful applicant will have two years recent, professional experience of providing housing casework in a legal or advice setting

You will also demonstrate an understanding of the housing legal advice issues affecting residents of Southwark and Lewisham.

Experience of Legal Aid processes is desirable, but our organisation is not solely reliant on Legal Aid and we offer a high level of experience and expertise that can support professional development within the team. We will consider more junior caseworkers for the role or a very experienced highly skilled lawyer able to take a role in the supervision of others.

Southwark Law Centre is an equal opportunities employer and positively encourages applications from suitably qualified and eligible candidates regardless of sex, race, disability, age, sexual orientation, gender reassignment, religion or belief, marital status, or pregnancy and maternity.

**If you would like an informal discussion about the role please contact: Sarah Pearce on 0207 732 2008**

Terms and conditions include:

- Excellent Pension Scheme
- Flexible working policy
- 30 days' holiday plus bank holidays

**For an application pack please visit: [www.southwarklawcentre.org.uk](http://www.southwarklawcentre.org.uk)**

**Closing date for applications: Monday 8 January 2018, 5pm**

**Interviews held: Wednesday 17 January 2018**