



## ***SERVING THE MOST VULNERABLE THROUGHOUT SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA***

Inner City Law Center (ICLC) is a nonprofit law firm focused on housing, homelessness, and veterans issues. As the only full-time provider of legal services on Skid Row in downtown Los Angeles, ICLC's staff of 49, including 26 attorneys, provides high-quality legal representation for people who have nowhere else to turn. We fight for justice for low-income individuals, working-poor families, immigrants, people who are homeless or disabled, and veterans. ICLC's main projects include:

### **HOUSING LITIGATION**

Slum housing devastates the health of families and neighborhoods and is especially harmful for children who live in illegal, unhealthy conditions. ICLC empowers and educates tenants, and sues slumlords, forcing them to repair and maintain apartment buildings to meet basic health and safety laws and recover financial damages. Law clerks will conduct legal research, draft memos and motions, help interview clients, observe depositions and hearings, and assist in all stages of litigation.

### **HOMELESS VETERANS**

Los Angeles has more homeless veterans than any other city in America. For veterans who are homeless, obtaining healthcare and monetary benefits that they are entitled to because of their service can mean stability and independent living. ICLC also has developed a unique expertise in representing female veterans in connection with in-service sexual assaults. We also help homeless veterans to upgrade their discharge status, expunge old criminal convictions, clear tickets, and resolve other legal barriers to employment and stable housing. Law clerks will contribute their research and writing skills, review records, and help craft applications for discharge upgrades and benefits on behalf of veteran clients.

### **HOMELESSNESS PREVENTION**

Every night, more than 58,000 people are homeless in Los Angeles. Many families become homeless after being illegally evicted. More than 70,000 eviction actions are filed in Los Angeles each year. We defend low-income tenants from eviction, preventing homelessness and preserving affordable housing. Law students will assist in all stages of unlawful detainer matters, including drafting and responding to discovery, interviewing clients, researching and drafting motions, arguing motions (certified law students only), and helping prepare for trial.

### **HIV/AIDS**

Los Angeles County is home to approximately 60,000 people living with HIV or AIDS (PLWHA). There is a lack of needed legal resources for PLWHA who are homeless or at risk of homelessness to help eliminate barriers to income and stability, to get them or keep them off the streets, and to improve their quality of life and long term health. ICLC assists PLWHA apply for public benefits and with a range of legal needs, including housing, landlord/tenant, etc. Law students will help clients obtain benefits and retain housing by conducting legal research, drafting motions and advocacy letters, and interacting with government entities overseeing benefits.

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**ICLC is currently seeking law clerks for Fall 2017. Students must be able to work at least 16 hours a week during between August and November 2017. Spanish language skills are preferred. An interest in and prior experience with non-profits, social justice, or community service is required.**

**If you are interested, send your résumé and cover letter to:**

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