

Staff Lawyer (12 month contract)

The Advocacy Centre for Tenants Ontario (ACTO) is a community legal clinic with a provincial mandate to advance human rights and justice in housing for low-income Ontarians through legal advice & representation, law reform, community organizing, training and education.

We are seeking a dynamic lawyer to temporarily fill the litigation lawyer's position within our organization located in downtown Toronto. In this role, the successful candidate will be responsible for test case and appellate litigation. Working with a strong advocacy team, the staff lawyer will also participate in law reform, housing policy and legal education projects to advance the rights of low-income tenants.

The ideal candidate is a self-starter motivated by an opportunity to affect change through public interest litigation.

The candidate must:

- Be a member of the Law Society of Ontario in good standing.
- Have a minimum of 2 years experience practicing housing law in the clinic system. Have experience in appellate litigation, human rights law or other related public interest advocacy
- Have the ability to effectively present complex legal issues to a variety of audiences
- Have demonstrated ability to work collaboratively within a multi-disciplinary team.
- Ability to communicate in both official languages is an asset in applying for this position.

This is a contract position that offers 4 weeks vacation. The salary is approximately \$85,000 that may change depending on experience and the clinic's budget. ACTO is a hybrid workplace where staff are expected to be in the office two days per week. Please email a covering letter and your resume to the attention of the Hiring Committee, with a subject line: Staff Lawyer, to tessy.thomson@acto.clcj.ca on or before **November 22, 2024**.

ACTO is an equal opportunity employer and is committed to establishing and maintaining a diverse and inclusive workplace and encourages applications from equity seeking groups including but not limited to individuals of indigenous descent, individuals who identify at as 2SLGBTQ+, persons with disabilities, members of racialized communities, people of diverse faiths and creeds, and women.