

Law Forward is seeking a **Legal Fellow** to join a growing and dynamic impact litigation nonprofit.

The ideal candidate will be a new lawyer interested in fair elections, the proper functioning of democracy and state government. They will have an interest in thinking creatively and strategically about legal tools and processes to hold government accountable to its constituents. They will have a proven ability to use legal research and tools to solve problems and work collaboratively with colleagues, clients, and coalition partners. They will be energized by getting results in a collaborative environment and have the resilience to navigate setbacks with an eye toward new opportunities.

Who we are: Law Forward is a 501(c)(3) non-partisan, nonprofit organization created to preserve fundamental democratic principles, revive Wisconsin's commitment to clean and open government, and promote a progressive vision through impact litigation, working within administrative processes, and public education. Since launching in October 2020, Law Forward has led the fight for fair maps in Wisconsin, fought to protect the freedom to vote, resisted bad-faith efforts to undermine confidence in the democratic system, and demanded accountability for election-sabotage efforts.

What You'll Do: Legal fellows play an integral part of Law Forward's litigation strategy and public education campaigns. Fellows' work includes:

1. Drafting legal briefs, in coordination with Law Forward attorneys and co-counsel.
2. Researching novel legal questions.
3. Communicating with clients and allies about our shared work and goals.
4. Monitoring litigation and policy developments at the state and federal levels that affect Law Forward's work.
5. Drafting non-legal communications for policy reports, Law Forward's blog and op-eds.

Who you are and keys to success. You:

Are admitted to practice in WI (or are eligible to become so). You are a relatively recent law school graduate (within 4 years) and have some courtroom or client experience as a lawyer, clerk, or law student. A demonstrated ability to prioritize tasks under stress and a sense of humor are pluses.

Have strong legal research and writing skills. You have a demonstrated track record of drafting legal briefs, memos and/or pleadings.

Are committed to Law Forward's mission. Law Forward exists to protect and strengthen our democracy. Law Forward stands for a commitment to fair, transparent, and representative government, and to ensuring Wisconsinites can participate in free, fair elections where their votes count.

Comfort with technology and experience using multiple communications and research platforms. You have experience and proficiency using Westlaw, as well as the ability and willingness to learn new tools.



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What Else You Should Know: The legal fellow position is a limited term opportunity, and the person chosen for the position will join the Law Forward team for approximately two academic years. We anticipate a start date in the fall of 2024. Law Forward is an equal opportunity employer, and we value having staff who come from communities that reflect the diversity of our state. We encourage people of color, members of the LGBTQIA2S+ community, transgender and gender non-conforming folk, and people with disabilities to apply.

The position is full-time and based in Madison, Wisconsin. We have a hybrid workplace that combines in-office work with some flexibility to work remotely. The annual salary for this position ranges from \$60,000 to \$78,000, with an exact salary depending on experience.

Law Forward offers competitive benefits, such as paid time off and full health, dental and vision insurance coverage for employees.

How to Apply: Please email a cover letter, resume and writing sample to info@lawforward.org. Applications will be accepted and reviewed on a rolling basis.