



Legal Officer, Family Law Practice Division

The Organisation

The Legal Services Commission is passionate about ensuring justice is available and accessible for all South Australians. As the largest legal assistance service in SA, we ensure that South Australians have access to a trusted lawyer when they need help to be heard, easy ways to learn about their rights and responsibilities, and service to answer any legal questions.

Each year over 140,000 South Australians benefit from the services we deliver.

Vacancies have arisen at the LSC3 and LSC2 levels specialising in property and family law representation matters. These are exciting and rare opportunities to build a practice focussed on assisting and supporting some of the most disadvantaged families in the State.

If you are a dynamic legal practitioner with a strong social justice focus, Legal Services is looking for you to join our passionate, expert and supportive team.

LSC2 Legal Officer – Family Law Practice Division

The Legal Officer will undertake assigned legal aid files in family law matters including acting and appearing as an advocate on behalf of adults in the Federal Circuit and Family Court of Australia. The Legal Officer may also appear as an advocate in Care and Protection matters. The Legal Officer will appear as a representative in family dispute resolution matters specialising in property matters. The Legal Officer in an LSC2 role will have a minimum of 2 years post admission legal experience.

The Legal Officer provides assistance across the Family Law Division as required.

LSC3 Legal Officer – Family Law Practice Division

The Legal Officer at this level will undertake assigned legal aid files in family law matters including in relation to complex property matters and act, as required, as a representative in court proceedings. The Legal Officer in an LSC3 role will usually have more than 5 years family law experience, although experience in care and protection matters can also be taken into account.

The Legal Officer will appear as an advocate in contested hearings or short trials in the FCFCOA. The Legal Officer will also appear as a representative in family dispute resolution matters including property matters and, if and when accredited and admitted to the ICL Panel, will be supported to act as an Independent Children's Lawyer in the FCFCOA.

Salary

- **LSC2:** \$96,040 - \$ 103,041 per annum including superannuation, leave loading and access up to \$15,900 pre-tax Fringe Benefit Tax (FBT) savings.
- **LSC3:** \$112,382 - \$123,484 per annum including superannuation, leave loading and access up to \$15,900 pre-tax Fringe Benefit Tax (FBT) savings.

As a not-for-profit organisation, the Legal Services Commission is able to offer its employees attractive salary sacrifice arrangements, including up to \$15,900 pre-tax each Fringe Benefit Tax (FBT) year for general living expenses.

Term of Employment Contract

Ongoing and temporary (varying between 12-24 months) roles, with the possibility of extension and preferably full time, are available.

Workplace Benefits

We provide a range financial and non-financial benefits to our employees that include:

- Generous salary sacrifice benefits (as outlined above)
- Flexible working arrangements
- Payment of employment screening checks
- Payment of Practising Certificates for legal staff
- Payment of relevant professional memberships
- Access to a comprehensive in-house Continuing Professional Development (CPD) program
- Support for you and your family through our inclusive Employee Assistance Program
- Supported training and development opportunities
- Contemporary office accommodation
- The opportunity to work alongside passionate and dedicated colleagues in a supportive workplace that is concerned about employee well-being.

Next Steps

To submit your application, in strict confidence, please send your resume, cover letter and completed application form to HR@lsc.sa.gov.au. For a confidential discussion on the available roles, please contact Melissa Collis, Team Leader, Party/Party & Child Support, on 81115648, email: melissa.collis@lsc.sa.gov.au

All applications are to be submitted by **5:00pm on Friday 22 March 2024.**