

LEGAL ADVISER

PERSON SPECIFICATION

Essential

- 1. Educated to graduate level or equivalent and holding BVC or LPC, and at least 1 year PQE.
- 2. Experience of delivering legal advice to clients in a professional setting.
- 3. Knowledge and understanding of either criminal law (and relevant aspects of civil and human rights law) <u>or</u> welfare benefits, debt and housing.
- 4. Willingness to train in other areas of laws, beyond current experience.
- 5. Good organisational skills and the ability to plan, prioritise and time manage work.
- 6. Excellent communication skills, both written and oral.
- 7. Ability to work both in a team and independently.
- 8. An understanding of vulnerable marginalised groups.
- 9. A commitment to safeguarding and promoting the civil and human rights of drug users and other marginalised groups in society.
- 10. Ability to stay calm under pressure and maintain a sense of humour.
- 11. Good computer literacy.

Desirable

- 1. An understanding of current drug laws & policy
- 2. Experience in civil and human rights work.
- 3. Experience in the writing and development of targeted literature aimed at both clients and other professionals.