

#### Trinh Huynh Legal Fellow

Asian Americans Advancing Justice—Atlanta is seeking applicants for the Trinh Huynh Legal Fellowship. This fellowship, which lasts for a one-year term, is designed for an attorney with an interest in protecting and promoting the civil rights of immigrants. The hope is that the fellowship will not only enhance the Fellow's technical legal skills but also deepen the Fellow's understanding of a holistic approach to social justice. The Fellow will be hosted at Advancing Justice—Atlanta and funded by the Georgia Asian Pacific Bar Association (GAPABA).

Application Deadline: Applications for the fellowship, which begins in September 2018, will be accepted starting Spring/Summer 2017. Applications will be reviewed on a rolling basis.

## About Asian Americans Advancing Justice—Atlanta

Asian Americans Advancing Justice—Atlanta is the first nonprofit legal and policy advocacy center dedicated to defending democracy for Asian Americans, immigrants and refugees in Georgia and the Southeast. Founded in 2010, Advancing Justice—Atlanta serves thousands of vulnerable and underserved people through its core program areas of civic engagement, direct legal services, policy advocacy, impact litigation, and leadership development. Our vision is a social movement where AANHPIs, immigrants, and refugees are fully empowered, active in civic life, and working together to promote equity and fair treatment for all. Advancing Justice – Atlanta is one of five independent civil rights organizations that make up the national Asian Americans Advancing Justice affiliation.

#### **About GAPABA**

The Georgia Asian Pacific American Bar Association (GAPABA), formerly known as the National Asian Pacific American Bar Association, Georgia Chapter (NAPABA-GA), was founded in 1993 by a handful of core members who strove to establish a Georgia support network for Asian Pacific American attorneys and those interested in Asian American legal issues. Part of GAPABA's core mission is to broaden professional opportunities for Asian Pacific American lawyers and law students, and to support the entrance and advancement of Asian Pacific Americans within the legal profession.

## **About the Fellowship**

The Fellow, hosted by Advancing Justice—Atlanta, will primarily work with Advancing Justice—Atlanta and the broader Advancing Justice affiliation on impact litigation in the area of immigrant justice. The Fellow may also have the opportunity to assist with impact litigation in the area of voting rights, as well as contribute to our direct legal services work in the area of removal defense.

#### The Fellow will:

- Identify issues for impact litigation, including conducting intake and investigation of cases, strengthening the organization's ties with grassroots, grasstops, and legal groups, and representing Advancing Justice—Atlanta at key coalition, task force, and community meetings.
- Assist with impact litigation, which may include legal research, drafting and reviewing filings and correspondence, discovery, motion practice, trial advocacy, appellate advocacy, and/or other litigation tasks.
- Lead community outreach and education activities, including planning and conducting Know Your Rights presentations.
- Assist with direct legal representation of Advancing Justice—Atlanta's clients in removal proceedings, as needed. This may include legal research, drafting and reviewing filings and correspondence, motion practice, and trial advocacy in immigration courts in Georgia.

All Advancing Justice—Atlanta staff are required to assist in general duties such as answering phones, outreach, and other administrative tasks.

# Qualifications

- Bar membership (membership in Georgia Bar preferred)
- Excellent oral and written communication skills
- Knowledge of and demonstrated in civil rights law preferred
- Proficiency in a foreign language (particularly Vietnamese, Korean, Cantonese, Mandarin, or Arabic) is desired but not required.
- Ability to work independently and participate fully in decision-making processes
- Values working cooperative with others, both within the organization and in the community
- Prior experience working with/ties to low income communities of color and/or immigrant communities preferred but not required
- Excellent legal research skills

# Application instructions:

- A one-page cover letter addressing the reason you are applying to the fellowship and how
  your past activities, volunteer work, personal life, and/or internships demonstrate your
  interest in public interest law, specifically as it relates to the AAPI community and the field
  or immigration law;
- Resume, not to exceed one page;
- A legal writing sample not to exceed 5 pages;
- A list of three professional or academic references; and
- Please submit all application materials as one pdf file to pnguyen@advancingjustice-atlanta.org.
- No phone calls or inquiry emails please.

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The Fellow will start in August 2018 and work one full year to July 2018. The fellow will receive a stipend of \$40,000 and a generous benefits package including medical, dental, and vision insurance.