

*designated period of time. If the employee chooses to return within the designated period, then the new incumbent may be placed in a similar position, if available, or the new incumbent's employment may be terminated. If the employee does not return within the designated period, then the position would no longer be classified as temporary.*

**ASSIGNMENT:** The Mental Hygiene Legal Service ("MHLS") provides legal representation and advocacy to individuals with mental and developmental disabilities, and those alleged to be in need of mental health services, in legal matters including civil and criminal commitment, treatment over objection, guardianship, sex offender civil management, and assisted outpatient treatment. MHLS attorneys regularly appear in the New York courts in difficult cases concerning involuntary hospitalization and psychiatric treatment. This position involves frequent fieldwork, including meeting with clients at psychiatric hospitals, other facilities or private residences. In addition, MHLS attorneys advocate informally on behalf of clients and represent them at administrative hearings. Some litigation experience is preferred but not required.

**GENERAL INFORMATION:** The above statements are intended to describe the general nature and level of work being performed by persons assigned to this title. They do not include all job duties performed by employees in the title, and every position does not necessarily require these duties. Although a position is available and situated at a specific location, the appointee may be subject to reassignment to any position in the same title in this promotion unit dependent upon the needs of the Unified Court System. All applications received from this announcement may be used to fill any vacancies in this title that may occur in this court or agency within the next six (6) months. Position(s) available at the present time: 1.

**APPLICATION PROCEDURES:** All interested persons meeting the minimum qualifications are encouraged to submit a UCS-5 Application for Employment form (obtainable from any administrative office in a court building or on the web at [www.nycourts.gov/careers/UCS5.pdf](http://www.nycourts.gov/careers/UCS5.pdf)) and a resume and cover letter by email to [MHLS2-HR@nycourts.gov](mailto:MHLS2-HR@nycourts.gov) or by mail to:

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Mental Hygiene Legal Service  
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**[APPLICANTS ARE ENCOURAGED TO COMPLETE THE EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY DATA COLLECTION FORM.](#)**

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**POSTING DATE:** September 20, 2023    **APPLICATIONS MUST BE POSTMARKED OR RECEIVED BY:** November 15, 2023

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