

**JOB ANNOUNCEMENT**  
**MANAGING ATTORNEY/EDUCATION ATTORNEY**  
**INDIANOLA, MS**

The Mississippi Center for Justice seeks to hire a Managing Attorney for our Delta office in Indianola, who will also work as an education attorney. The Managing Attorney will oversee all programs initiated in the Delta office. The Center seeks an experienced leader, manager and attorney whose substantive law focus will be educational opportunity.

The Center is a nonprofit, public interest law firm committed to advancing racial and economic justice statewide. Our lawyers work with community leaders to support their social justice campaigns and to channel the energies of the legal community to combat discrimination and poverty. With offices in Jackson, Biloxi and Indianola, we seek systemic solutions that promote educational opportunity, protect the rights of consumers, secure access to health care, and put affordable housing within the reach of all Mississippians.

**Job Responsibilities**

As a full-time employee, based in Indianola and reporting to the Advocacy Director, the Managing Attorney will lead and oversee the operations of the Delta office and will supervise a current staff of five. The Managing Attorney will lead the office's work in all of its program areas. The Managing Attorney's substantive law concentration will be on improving public education statewide, with goals and activities that include:

- Using legal, policy and media advocacy to combat inequitable practices regarding special education and school discipline; and
- Providing legal and policy support to statewide coalitions advocating for adequate and equitable school funding.
- Narrowing the achievement gap and racial and economic class disparities in Mississippi's public education system;
- Increasing parental and community engagement in the public school system;

**Qualifications**

- At least seven years of law practice experience
- Experience in supervising legal work
- Licensed in Mississippi or willing to take the Mississippi Bar within six months
- Excellent written and verbal communication skills
- Excellent organizational, networking and relationship-building skills
- Demonstrated ability to work in collaboration across organizational boundaries to achieve agreed-upon goals
- Commitment to the mission of the Mississippi Center for Justice
- Experience in education law is preferred but not required

**Salary/Fringe Benefits**

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Salary will be commensurate with experience. Paid vacation and sick leave will be provided. The Center's benefit package includes medical, life and dental insurance, as well as a retirement savings program.

**How to Apply**

To apply, send a resume and cover letter by email:

Beth Orlansky, Advocacy Director

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**Deadline—April 27, 2017**

The position will be open until filled.

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