



Labour Lawyer OPSEU Legal Services

The Ontario Public Service Employees Union, a large public sector labour organization headquartered in Toronto, offers a permanent employment opportunity as Legal Counsel in its Legal Services.

OPSEU Legal Services provides general legal services to the union in its capacity as bargaining agent for more than 135,000 employees, as well as in its organizational role as those employees' democratic trade union. Working under the direction of the union's General Counsel, the successful candidate will provide legal opinions to OPSEU officers and staff. He or she will handle legal matters in a broad range of areas, including collective bargaining, human rights, occupational health and safety, workers' compensation, pensions and benefits, administrative law and civil litigation, including judicial review and appellate work in these areas. There will be opportunities to work on a wide variety of public policy and legislative reform issues. Legal Counsel will monitor and report upon cases that are being handled by external law firms.

This position requires a qualified lawyer with a minimum of five years' experience in labour relations law, preferably with a focus on the public sector. In addition, the successful candidate should have a strong background in at least one of the following areas: human rights, pensions and benefits, civil litigation, and workers' compensation.

OPSEU staff positions require a demonstrated commitment to labour/social democratic philosophy, and an ability to provide high-quality professional services in the context of a democratic trade union is essential.

Salary will be commensurate with experience.

Written applications, including résumés and references, should be submitted to OPSEU Staff Relations, 100 Lesmill Road, Toronto ON M3B 3P8 by **March 30, 2008**.

Applications may be emailed to staffrelations@opseu.org