District legal Services Authority, Visakhapatnam

ROC No.49-E1/APSLSA/LSW/2022, dt: 16-12-2025

Notification No. LADCS/2025/05

Date:16-12-2025

INVITING APPLICATIONS FOR ENGAGEMENT OF ASSISTANT LEGAL AID DEFENSE COUNSEL AS FULL TIME LEGAL AID LAWYERS IN LEGAL AID DEFENSE COUNSEL OFFICE IN THE DISTRICT LEGAL SERVICES AUTHORITY, VISAKHAPATNAM

The Hon'ble State Legal Services Authority, established under the Legal Services Authorities Act, 1987 with mandate to provide free and competent legal services to the under privileged and disadvantaged sections of the society to ensure that opportunities for securing justice are not denied to any citizen by reason of economic or other disabilities and to secure that the operation of the legal system promotes justice on a basis of equal opportunity to all. Please visit website Visakhapatnam district website for full details.

Realising the need to ponder over the reforms required in the Legal Aid Movement of India a new model of Legal Services Delivery, the 'Legal Aid Defense Counsel System' (LADCS), in line with public defender system, is introduced by NALSA. As envisaged, LADCS involve full time engagement of lawyers with support system, dealing exclusively with legal aid work in criminal matters at every stage starting from the pre-arrest, arrest & remand stage to the conclusion of trials and appeals etc. It will enhance the availability and accessibility of Legal Aid in a timely manner and help in creating a mechanism to provide qualitative and competent legal services in a professional mannerto under privileged and disadvantaged section of the society.

Each Legal Aid Defense Counsel Office may have 01 Chief Legal Aid Counsel, 01-03 Deputy Chief Legal Aid Defense Counsels, 02-10 Assistant Legal Aid Defense Counsels (number of positions depending upon legal aid work in the District). This system will have the effect of enhancing the responsiveness of the Legal Aid Mechanism in country and will ensure accountability on the part of the Legal Aid providers.

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SLSA under the aegis of NALSA (<u>www.nalsa.gov.in</u>) is in process of implementation of LADCS in the Districts namely District Legal Services Authority, Visakhapatnam.

Applications are invited from eligible lawyers having requisite qualifications for Contractual full time engagement for the 01 post of **Assistant Legal Aid Defense Counsel** for Visakhapatnam District as per NALSA Modified Scheme 2022 and Guidelines. The Lawyers so engaged therein will not be allowed to take any other private cases or any other retainership.

The Scheme of engagement along with application form may be downloaded from the official website of District Court Visakhapatnam (https://districts.ecourts.gov.in/visakhapatnam) and also from Notice board of DLSA, Visakhapatnam. The duly filled application form along with self-attested copies of documents may be submitted to DLSA, Visakhapatnam wherein the candidate desires to apply through speed post or in an Envelope personally in the office of the Secretary, DLSA at Visakhapatnam on or before by 5.00 p.m., Any application received after due date shall not be considered.

Note:

- 1. Applying for engagement of Legal Aid Defense Counsel does not create any right/ assurance whatsoever.
- 2. The Services of the individual engaged under LADCS are purely temporary and the services may be discontinued at any time without notice if the NALS/SALSA instructs to discontinue the Scheme or discontinue the funding to run the Scheme or for the performance yardsticks or other reasons.

CHAIRMAN, (O)
DISTRICT LEGAL SERVICES AUTHORITYCUM-PRINCIPAL DISTRICT JUEGE,

VISAKHAPTNAM

Encl:

- 1. Application of Assistant Legal Aid Defense Counsel, LADCS, Visakhapatnam.
- 2. NALSA Modified Scheme 2022 and Guidelines

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APPLICATION FOR ENGAGEMENT AS FULL TIME LEGAL AID LAWYER IN LEGAL AID DEFENSE COUNSEL SYSTEM

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DISTRICT : VISAKHAPATNA	ΛM			
Application No (For Office use)				
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APPLICATION FOR DE	PUTY/AS	SSISTANT LEG	AL AID DEFENS	E COUNSEL
1. Applicant's Name	•			
2. Father/Husband's Name				
3. Date of Birth	:			
4. Age (as on 01-12-2025)	:			
5. Gender	:			
6. Residential Address	•			
7. Office Address	:			
8. Chamber Address (if any)	:			
9. Telephone no. (O)	:			
10. Telephone No. (R)	:			
11. Mobile No.	:			
12. Fax No.	:			
13. E-mail ID	:			
14. PAN No.	:			
15. AADHAR No.	:			
16. Educational Qualification (1	Please end	close self-attested	copies of docume	nte).

Course	Name of Board/University	Year of Passing	Obtained Percentage (aggregate)
Graduation			
Professional Degree LLB			
LLM			1 (%)
Any other (if any)		8	

17.	Date	of	Enrol	lment	as	Lawyer:
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18. Enrollment No. : (Attach self-attested copy of enrollment certificate issued by Bar Council)

19. Experience in Bar (Attach an experience certificate issued by the Bar Association/Council) (furnish statement with the case numbers, Court name and other material (a) Total no. of cases handled particulars) (b) Nature of cases handled (Attach extra sheet, if required) (c) Specialization, if any (The details of a few important cases, the Applicants have dealt with/handled and reported judgement if any.) 20. Whether empanelled as Central/State Government or : Government undertaking counsel/pleader (Indicate period& attach documents) 21. The Courts where the Applicant is regularly practising (Enclose Bar Association Membership Certificate) 22. Specify whether earlier remained on the panel of HCLSC/DLSA or TLSC (Indicate period, number of legal aid cases handled& result) (attach documents) 23. Whether any disciplinary case/Complaint is/was against the Applicant with any Bar Council NO YES (If yes, specify details of both disposed & pending with documents)

- 24. List of the documents to be attached.
 - 1. Self-Attested copy of Certificates in support of educational qualifications.
 - 2. Self-Attested copy of Certificate in Enrollment issued by the Bar Council under the Advocates Act, 1961.
 - 3. Self-Attested copy of Photo Identity Card, Address Proof.
 - 4. Self-Attested copy of ITR for last 3 years (if available).
 - 5. Photo copies of judgments in 5 Sessions cases, represented as Defense lawyer, (for the post of Chief/Deputy Legal Aid Defense Counsel).
 - 6. Photocopies of at least 5 cross examinations in Sessions cases (for Chief/Deputy Legal Aid Defense Counsel).

(Signature)

DECLARATION

I hereby declare that all the statements made in this application are true, complete and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. In the event of any information being found false/incorrect at any stage, my candidature is liable to be cancelled and also liable for action as per law. I have read and understood the instructions and terms of the engagement and agrees to abide by those. I declare that I fulfil the eligibility conditions for the category to which I am seeking engagement. I declare that I have never been penalised by any Bar Council in any Disciplinary Proceedings. I also undertake to maintain absolute integrity and discipline as required thereunder. I agree with the remuneration structure and all the terms and conditions notified by SLSA/DLSA concerned.

	(Signature)
Place:	
Date:	