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Sub: Appointment of Deputy Chief Legal Aid Defense Counsel and

Assistant Legal Aid Defense Counsel on purely contract basis for a

period of 2 years on monthly salary.

Ref: Under the provision of NALSA Regulations 2010.

It is hereby notified that under the provisions of NALSA Regulations 2010 read to above under reference, The District Legal Services Authority, Bagalkot invites applications in the prescribed proforma (enclosed thereof) from learned advocates for appointment of Deputy Chief Legal Aid Defense Counsel and Assistant Legal Aid Defense Counsel on purely contract basis for a period of 2 years to setup of "Legal Aid Defense Counsel System".

Opening date of the application is 25-09-2024 and the applicants have to submit their applications on or before 5.00 p.m. on 03-10-2024 before the Member Secretary, District Legal Services Authority, ADR Building District Court Premises, Bagalkot during office hours.

The applications have been called for to fill up the following posts purely on Contract Basis for a period of 2 years on monthly salary.

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	period of 2 years on Monthly Salary	fill up on Contract
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1	Deputy Chief Legal Aid Defense Counsel	2

1) Minimum Qualification;

The minimum qualification to fill up the above said posts is as under:

- a) Must be holder of a degree in law granted by a University established by law in India and must have been enrolled as an advocate.
- b) Must be a member of Advocate Bar Association.

2) QUALIFICATIONS:

Qualifications for Deputy Chief Legal Aid Defense Counsel:

- i) Practice in Criminal law for at least 7 years.
- ii) Excellent understanding of criminal law
- iii) Excellent oral and written communication skills.
- iv) Skill in legal research.
- v) Thorough understanding of ethical duties of defense counsel,
- vi) Ability to work effectively and efficiently with others.
- vii) Must have handled at least 20 criminal trials including appeals in Sessions Courts, may be relaxed in exceptional circumstances, by Hon'ble executive Chairman, SLSA,
- viii) IT Knowledge with proficiency in work.

c) Qualification for Assistant Legal Aid Defense Counsel:.

- Practice in criminal law from 0 to 3 years.
- Good oral and written communication skills.
- Thorough understanding of ethical duties of defense counsel.
- Ability to work effectively and efficiently with others.
- Excellent writing and research skills
- IT Knowledge with high proficiency in work.

Note: Qualifications may be reasonably relaxed in case of exceptional candidates or circumstances with the approval of the Hon'ble Executive Chairman Karnataka State Legal Services Authority.

3) Work Profiles:

a) Deputy Chief Legal Aid Defense Counsel.

- Conducting trials/appeals/Remand work/Bail applications/visits to prisons etc., as assigned by Chief Legal Aid Defense Counsel.
- Filing and arguing appeals and bail applications in courts
- Maintaining complete case file.
- Doing legal research in legal aided cases and guiding assistant legal Aid
 Defense Counsel and law students attached with the office in legal research.
- Proper client interviews at various stages for quality research work and representation at remand, trial and appellate stage.
- All or any of the work of the Chief Defense Counsel as per assignment,
- Any work/duty assigned by Legal Services Authority.

b) Assistant Legal Aid Defense Counsel.

- Filing of cases, conducting trials in Magistrate trial cases,
- Remand/bail and other miscellaneous work,
- Legal research in legal aided cases,
- Visits to prison and Legal Aid Clinics as per directions,
- Providing assistance at pre-arrest stage to suspects,
- Assisting Chief Legal Aid Defense Counsel and Deputy Legal Aid Defense Counsel in conduct of legal aided cases.

- Assisting in developing a defense strategy after sifting through all of the
 evidence collected by the prosecution and after hearing the accused's
 version of what happened during the alleged crime in question.
- Visiting location/area of alleged crime, having discussions with family members etc, for effective and meaningful input for defense strategy.
- Handling queries of legal aid seekers,
- Updating legal aid seekers about the progress of their cases,
- Assisting in maintaining complete files of legal aided cases,
- Handling legal aid cases queries relating to criminal matters on telephone,
- Any other work related to legal aid assigned by Chief Defense Counsel as per assignment,
- Any work/duty assigned by Legal Services Authority.

4) Salary:

The salary of Rs. 45,000/- per month for Deputy Chief Legal Aid Defense Counsel each.

The salary of Rs. 30,000/- per month for Assistant Legal Aid Defense Counsel each.

5) Entitlement of Leave:

- The Deputy Legal Aid Defense shall be eligible for 15 days leave in a calendar year on pro-rata basis.
- The assistant Counsel Legal Aid Defense Counsel shall be eligible for 12 days leave in a calendar year on pro-rata basis.
- No remuneration for the period of absence in excess of the admissible leave will be paid to the human resource of Legal Aid Defense Counsel Office.
- Un-availed leave shall neither be carried forward to next year nor encashed.

6) Term /Termination of Service:

Services of any legal aid defense counsel engaged in the office of Legal Aid Defense Counsel can be terminated at any time without any prior notice in the following cases by the cases by the Chairman, DLSA on recommendation of the Secretary DLSA or on directions by SLSA in writing:

- ➤ He/She substantially breaches any duty or service required in the office, or
- > Seeks or accept any pecuniary gains or gratification in cash or kind from the legal aid seekers or beneficiary or his friend or relative, or
- > Charged or convicted for any offence by any court of law, or
- > Indulges in any type of political activities, or
- ➤ Found incapable of rendering professional services of the required standards, or
- Failure to attend training programmes without any sufficient cause or,
- ➤ Indulges in activates prejudicial to the working of legal aid defense counsel office, or
- ➤ Using his/her position in legal aid defense counsel office to secure unwarranted privileges or advantages for him/herself or others, or
- > Acts in breach of code of ethics, or
- > Remains absent without leave for more then two weeks, or
- ➤ If services are found unsatisfactory during the six monthly performance review by the SLSA or DLSA.
- ➤ If found taking any other private cases or any other retainership during the contractual period.

Sd/(Sri N.V. Vijay)
Chairman,
District Legal Services Authority,
And Prl. District & Sessions Judge,
Bagalkot.