**Summer 2020 Fellowship Announcement**

**Gwen S. Cherry Black Women Lawyers Association**

**and Legal Services of Greater Miami, Inc.**

**MISSION**

Gwendolyn Sawyer Cherry was a pioneer attorney at the Legal Services of Greater Miami, Inc. (“LSGMI”), where she promoted equal justice and advocated on behalf of low-income communities in Miami-Dade County, among her many other accomplishments. The Gwen S. Cherry Black Women Lawyers Association Fellowship at LSGMI was established to honor Mrs. Cherry and to continue her legacy and humanitarian efforts.

**FELLOW RESPONSIBILITIES**

The GSCBWLA Fellow’s responsibilities may include, but are not limited to: interviewing clients in person and by telephone; conducting factual investigations, including visiting a client’s home; performing legal research and writing; drafting pleadings, motions and discovery requests; reviewing documents; preparing for and observing administrative and court hearings; participating in after-hours legal clinics; and participating in after-hours community education events.

**WHO SHOULD APPLY?**

We are seeking an extraordinary Fellow with a strong commitment to public service. To be eligible for the GSCBWLA Fellowship, prospective applicants must be enrolled in law school, be a 2L, 3L, 4L, or LLM and demonstrate a commitment to equal justice and advocating for low-income clients in Miami-Dade County.

**STIPEND**

The stipend will be paid bi-weekly. If the GSCBWLA Fellow is a 2L, s/he will receive $13 per hour. If the GSCBWLA Fellow is a 3L, 4L, or LLM, s/he will receive $14 per hour. This is a **Summer 2020** placement and will require the Fellow to work 10-12 weeks. The hours will be flexible but it is recommended that the Fellow work a minimum of five hours per week and a maximum of 30 hours per week.

**APPLICATION, DEADLINE, AND SELECTION PROCESS**

To apply, please submit a one (1) page cover letter, indicating how you will continue Gwen S. Cherry’s legacy and serve as an asset to LSGMI, resume, and transcript (PDF scans of official transcript are required). *Applications MUST be postmarked by 12:00 midnight on March 16, 2020* to Gwen S. Cherry Black Women Lawyers Association, c/o Brendalyn Edwards at P.O. Box 9388, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33310 or sent via email to info@gscbwla.org. The recipient of the Fellowship award will be notified in writing on or before March 23, 2020.

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| **Legal Services of Greater Miami, Inc. Law Clerk Application****Law Clerk Application** |
| Name:  | Select one: 1L 2L 3L LLM |
| Law School: |
| Interested in: PAID UNPAID VOLUNTEER EXTERNSHIP (for credit) FELLOWSHIP (School-based) \_\_\_ OTHER, please explain: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
| Please indicate which project you are interested in working in.  If you express interest in a specific unit, we will do our best to place you in that unit. If you’re not sure what unit most interests you, or if you have no preference, we will place you according to our needs. For more information about the work of these projects, please visit our website: www.legalservicesmiami.org* Tenants’ Rights
* Homeownership and Consumer
* Community & Economic Development
* Disability Law Project
* Low Income Tax Payer Project
* Ryan White Project
* Veteran’s Project
* Homeless Project
* Special Education Project
* Monroe County / Florida Keys
* No preference

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| Address:  |
| Phone Number:  | Cell Number:  |
| Email Address: |
| Semester: FALL SPRING SUMMER |
| Hours per Week: | Proposed schedule: |
| Please indicate if you speak a language other than English: \_\_\_ Spanish \_\_\_\_ Creole \_\_\_\_ Other:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |

Why do you want to work at Legal Services? (250 word max)

Which project/unit at Legal Services are you most interested in working for and why? (250 word max)

**One (1) page cover letter, resume, transcript, and completed application form should be submitted to** **info@gscbwla.org** **prior to advertised deadline. Applications are accepted on a rolling basis however positions may be filled as well qualified applicants are identified.**