



DISTRICT LEGAL SERVICES AUTHORITY, CHITRADURGA

DISTRICT COURT COMPLEX, CHITRADURGA

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**CALLING FOR APPLICATION FOR THE POSTS OF
DEPUTY CHIEF LEGAL AID DEFENSE COUNSEL AND
FOR ENGAGEMENT AS FULL TIME LEGAL AID
LAWYERS IN LEGAL AID DEFENSE COUNSEL OFFICE**

LAST DATE FOR RECEIPT OF APPLICATIONS: 25/10/2025

As per the Legal Aid Defense Counsel System – Modified Scheme 2022 formulated by National Legal Services Authority, for providing legal aid, assistance and representation in criminal matters in line with “Public Defender System”, the Karnataka State Legal Services Authority has established 30 LADCS offices in a phase wise manner. As per the directions of NALSA, optimum human resources have to be maintained at each LADCS offices in the state.

1. The scope of work :

Legal Aid Defense Counsel Office shall be dealing exclusively with legal aided matter in criminal matters of the District Head Quarters, wherein it is established. The Counsel appointed shall involve full time with the system and they are not allowed to take any private cases or any other retainership. The Legal Aid Defense Counsels are required to scrupulously perform the work profiles and follow the code of ethics as enumerated in the “Legal Aid Defense Counsel System-Modified Scheme-2022”.

The following end to end legal services shall be provided through the Legal Aid Defense Counsel Office :

- Legal Advice and Assistance to all individuals visiting the office,
- Representation/Conducting trial and appeals including all miscellaneous work in all Sessions, Special and Magistrate Courts including executive courts.
- Handling Remand and Bail Work
- Providing Legal Assistance at pre-arrest stage as per NALSA's scheme for providing such assistance
- Any other legal aided work related to District Courts or as assigned by the Secretary, DLSA.

2. Vacancy of Posts :

As per the directions of Hon'ble Executive Chairman, KSLSA, on the basis of pendency of criminal cases and legal aid cases, the following posts which falls vacant in respective DLSAs needs to be filled up on contract basis for a period of one year on monthly salary, with a stipulation of extension on yearly basis upon satisfactory performance.

As per the Legal Aid Defense Counsel Modified Scheme, 2022 there is a note with regard to increase or decrease of posts are per their requirements in individual districts. The note is reads as under.

“ Note: Number of Deputy and Assistant Legal Aid Defense Counsel may be increased or decreased as per the requirement in individual districts. Number of Legal Aid Defense Counsels shall be proportionate to the actual requirement.”

Hon'ble Executive Chairperson, KSLSA has accorded permission to increase and decrease the posts based on the pendency of cases in the respective districts. Accordingly, vacant posts from Districts which have less pendency of criminal cases are decreased and such posts are assigned/increased to the districts which have more pendency of cases.

Based on the pendency of cases and requirement in individual districts, the following vacancy position has been prepared.

Details of the posts called for is as follows :-

Sl. No.	Posts called for	No. of Vacancy
1.	Deputy Chief Legal Aid Defense Counsel	02

3. Honorarium (Retainership Fee):

Sl. No.	DLSA/Town	Deputy Chief Legal Aid Defense Counsel
1	Chitradurga	45,000/-

Note:

1. The Honorarium payable is fixed on the basis of yardstick provided by NALSA with due reference to population of the town.
2. The Number of posts and the honorarium payable is liable to be enhanced or reduced bases on upon the performance of Legal Aid Lawyers in LADCS office.

4. QUALIFICATIONS:

a)	Qualifications of Deputy Legal Aid Defense Counsel ➤ Practice in Criminal law for at least 7 years, ➤ Excellent understanding of criminal law, ➤ Excellent oral and written communication skills, ➤ Skill in legal research, ➤ Thorough understanding of ethical duties of defence counsel, ➤ Ability to work effectively and efficiently with others, ➤ Must have handled at least 20 Sessions trials aforesaid condition of handling of 20 Sessions cases can be relaxed in appropriate circumstances, by Hon'ble executive Chairman, SLSA, ➤ IT Knowledge with high proficiency in work.
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Note: Qualifications may be reasonably relaxed in case of exceptional candidates or circumstances with the approval of the Executive Chairman SLSA.

5. WORK PROFILE:

a) Deputy Chief Legal Aid Defense Counsel.

- Conducting of sessions trials/ appeals/ Remand work / Bail applications and other criminal cases, visit to prisons etc., as assigned by Chief Legal Aid Defense Counsel.
- Filing and arguing appeals and bail applications in Courts.
- Maintaining complete case files.
- 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, trail and appellate stage.
- All or any of the work of the Chief defense Counsel as per assignment,
- Maintaining of proper registers for the Legal Aid cases.
- Any work/duty assigned by Legal Services Authority.

6. 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 cases by the Chairman, by the DLSA, on recommendation of the Secretary, DLSA or on directions by SLSA in writing.

The applications complete in all respects accompanied by self attested copies of relevant academic records, testimonials etc., shall reach the Member Secretary, District Legal Services authority, Court Complex-577501, on or **before 25/10/2025 at 6.00 PM.**

Applications sent through post shall be superscribed as **“ APPLICATION FOR APPOINTMENT AS DEPUTY CHIEF LEGAL AID COUNSEL ”**

Applications received beyond the date so fixed will be rejected.

Authority reserves its right to reject incomplete applications or applications for want of furnishing full information as per the notification or if it is found that the information furnished are false.

By order

[Signature]
Member Secretary,
DLSA, Chitradurga.

Member Secretary
District Legal Service Authority
Chitradurga

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

STATE _____

DISTRICT _____

Application No. _____
(For Office use)

**PHOTO WITH
SIGNATURE**

APPLICATION FOR CHIEF/DEPUTY/ASSISTANT LEGAL AID DEFENSE COUNSEL

1	Applicant's Name	:	
2	Father/Husband's Name	:	
3	Date of Birth	:	
4	Age (as on 01.10.2025)	:	
5	Gender Male/Female/Transgender	:	
6	Nationality	:	
7	Caste /Category/Community	:	
8	Religion	:	
9	Mother Tongue	:	
10	Languages Known	:	
11	Residential Address	:	
12	Office / Chamber (if any)Address	:	
13	Contact Details :	:	
	a. Telephone No. (O)	:	
	b. Telephone No. (R)	:	
	c. Mobile No.	:	
	d. Fax No.	:	
	e. E-mail ID	:	
14	PAN No.	:	
15	AADHAR No.	:	

16	Marital Status	:	Married ☐ Unmarried ☐
17	Educational Qualification (Please enclose self-attested copies of documents):	:	

Course	Name of Board/ University	Year of Passing	Obtained Percentage (aggregate)
Graduation			
Professional Degree LLB			
LLM			
Any other Extra qualifications/activities (if any)			
Computer knowledge			

18	Date of Enrolment as an Advocate & Enrolment No. (Attach self-attested copy of Enrolment certificate issued by Karnataka State Bar Council)	:	
19	Actual Standing at the Bar as on the date of notification. (Duration of actual practice) (Attach an experience certificate issued by the concerned Bar Association) (a) Total No. of cases handled: (b) Nature of cases handled : (Attach extra sheet, if required) (c) Specialization, if any : (The details of a few important cases, the Applicant has dealt with/handled and reported judgement, if any)	:	
20	Whether empanelled as Central/State Government or : Government undertaking Counsel/pleader (Indicate period & attach relevant 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 relevant documents)	:	

23	Whether the applicant ever debarred/disqualified or found ineligible for candidature in any examination process of any public services conducted by any Public Authority? If so, furnish details.	:	
24	Whether he/she is compulsorily retired, removed or dismissed from any services in Government/Statutory Body/Local Authority? If so, furnish details.	:	
25	Whether any disciplinary/professional misconduct proceedings/ Complaint is/was initiated against the Applicant by any Bar Council : (If yes, specify details of both disposed & pending cases with documents)	:	
26	Whether the applicant is ever prosecuted or convicted and sentenced in any criminal cases or whether appearing before any criminal court in respect of any criminal cases/FIR pending against? If so, furnish particulars regarding the same.	:	
27	Whether the applicant is an Income Tax Assessee, if so, give details.	:	

28. List of documents to be attached.

1. Self-Attested copy of Certificates/Marks Cards in support of educational qualifications & experiences. (Production of copy of SSLC Marks Card and LLB Marks Cards are mandatory)
2. Self-Attested copy of Certificate of Enrolment issued by the Karnataka State Bar Council under the Advocates Act, 1961.
3. Self-Attested copy of the practice/experience certificate issued by Bar Association.
4. Self-Attested copy of Photo Identity Card/Aadhaar Card and any other Address Proof.
5. Certificate of Computer knowledge, if available.
6. List of 30 Sessions cases and 20 Sessions Cases handled by the candidate who applies for the post of Chief and Deputy Legal Aid Defence Counsels respectively. (copy of vakalat filed in each case shall be submitted).
7. Photo copies of judgments in 5 Sessions cases and cross-examinations in 5 sessions cases, represented as Defence lawyer, (for the post of Chief Legal Aid Defence Counsel and Deputy Legal Aid Defence Counsel respectively).

Signature of the applicant

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. I have read and understood the instructions and terms of the engagement and agree 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 KSLSA/DLSA concerned.

Place: _____

Date: _____

Signature of the applicant