

## OUR MISSION

LevittQuinn Family Law Center's mission is to provide affordable legal representation in family law matters to low-income families of Los Angeles County to ensure stability for children and their families in the face of legal difficulties.

## FOCUS AREAS

### Adoption

Assisting families seeking to make a child a part of their family through independent adoption.

### **Child Support**

Securing child support for minor, as well as adult disabled, children including health and dependent care expenses.

### **Custody and Visitation**

Gaining custody and visitation rights of minor children.

### **Domestic Violence**

Obtaining or defending against requests for orders to protect persons and property.

### Divorce

Establishing permanent separation of married persons by divorce and rights to community and separate property.

**Paternity** Establishing legal rights for unmarried parents.

### **Spousal Support**

Securing spousal support for married persons including health insurance.

### Veterans

Helping homeless or low-income Veterans with their child support and other family law issues.

## **MAJOR PROGRAMS**

### **Adoption Program**

LevittQuinn's Adoption Program, the only one of its kind in Los Angeles County, provides expert legal counsel and representation to establish family stability and prevent further harm to children in need of a permanent, loving home. The majority of these cases are intrafamily adoptions in which a relative seeks to protect a child whose biological parent is unwilling or unable to care for the child.

### The Kids Fund

The Kids Fund provides free family law services to the financially neediest families in cases related to the safety and well-being of minor children. Families receive representation in cases including but not limited to custody, child and spousal support, visitation, and domestic violence.

### **The Shriver Project**

Since 2011, LevittQuinn has participated in a pilot project created by California's Sargent Shriver Civil Counsel Act. By referral only, LevittQuinn gives free legal services to low income families in high stakes, high conflict custody disputes where the other side is already represented by counsel. A large percentage of these cases involve domestic violence, child abuse, and other serious allegations that affect children.

# **VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES FOR LAW STUDENTS**

Law students play an integral role in LevittQuinn's mission of assisting poor and low-income families with their family law cases. We are seeking law students year round who are passionate about helping those in need. LevittQuinn utilizes law students to conduct client interviews, provide counsel and advice under attorney supervision, draft court pleadings, conduct legal research and writing, and assist attorneys to prepare for hearings and trials. LevittQuinn is committed to language access and recruiting volunteers fluent in languages other than English, with Spanish being the most common.

### Summer Clerk:

Each summer, LevittQuinn recruits 2-3 law clerks to work at LevittQuinn for 8-10 weeks. Applications are accepted on a rolling basis but should be received no later than March 31 of the application year to receive full consideration. Law students who will be finishing both their 1L and 2L years are welcome to apply.

### Internship/Externship:

LevittQuinn accepts applications for law students interested in interning or externing during the school year for credit. Applications should include availability and the number of credit hours sought.

### Volunteer:

LevittQuinn needs volunteers year round to assist with our day to day operations. Whether to fulfill pro bono hours or gain hands on experience, volunteer applications are welcome. LevittQuinn's highest need for volunteers is on Thursday and Friday mornings to assist with our new client intake process.

### HOW TO APPLY

To apply for a volunteer opportunity, please visit http://levittquinn.org/volunteer/ for more information and to download a volunteer form. Completed forms can be emailed to volunteer@levittquinn.org, along with a resume and brief cover letter.