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# PLP Equal opportunities monitoring form –

# Lawyer (12-month fixed term parental cover) 250701

Thank you for taking the time to complete this form. PLP monitors characteristics such as age, gender, race and disability among applicants as well as among our employees to help us build and maintain a socially diverse and inclusive workplace. We use this data to examine whether our recruitment and selection procedures are working fairly and think about how we might further improve them. For staff it helps us assess whether we are maintaining an inclusive culture and supporting all employees throughout their career helps us improve our policies on development, retention, mentorship, sponsorship and progression.

We will store the data collected on this form as confidential personal data and restrict access to this information. The data retained will be used for the purposes of equal opportunities monitoring. This data is not shared with people making selection decisions. Our HR team will use the information provided to identify up to one candidate who is eligible for our Additional Interview Scheme (where an extra first-stage interview slot may be offered to an appointable candidate from an under-represented community) and to identify any relevant criteria to base selection on where the hiring manager declares candidates to be of equal merit. We always aim to select the best person for the job, and we believe these positive actions help us ensure everyone is given fair consideration.

If you opt to provide equal opportunity data to PLP, it will be retained only as long as is necessary to undertake the above positive action and record the recruitment decision against the anonymised data or no longer than six months after the recruitment process or your subsequent employment ends, whichever is later.

It is appreciated that the racial and other classifications on the form may be arbitrary. Most of the classifications we use are as used by the Office of National Statistics for the census; this allows us to compare the diversity of our recruitment and staff with national statistics. We collate information on socio-economic status as recommended by the Social Mobility Commission Toolkit and acknowledge it is particularly difficult for these questions to be both accurate and suitable for an employer to ask. If you do not wish to disclose any particular information, please leave that section of the form blank. If you think we should ask any of these questions differently or not at all please let us know at [hr@publiclawproject.org.uk](mailto:hr@publiclawproject.org.uk)

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| **Please tell us where you heard about this vacancy.** *Tick up to three* | |
| PLP newsletter  Charity Jobs  ☐ Charity Finance Group  Guardian Jobs  Reed  ☐ DI jobs  ☐ Scope  ☐ Indeed  Jobs.ac.uk  Law Society Gazette  Linked In  Facebook  X / Twitter  Blue Sky  Word of mouth | Civitas  Charity People  Peridot  Third Solutions  RP Connections  Prospect-US  Justice First Fellowship network  Legal Action Group (LAG)  Legal Aid Practitioners Group (LAPG)  Law Centres Network  London Legal Support Trust (LLST)  Young Legal Aid Lawyers |
| Other (please state): |

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|  | | **Please mark with X** |
| **Age** | 16-24 |  |
| 25-34 |  |
| 35-44 |  |
| 45-54 |  |
| 55-64 |  |
| 65+ |  |
| Prefer not to say |  |
| **Are you married or in a civil partnership?** | Married or in a registered civil partnership |  |
| Never married nor in a registered civil partnership |  |
| Separated, but still legally married or still legally in a registered civil partnership |  |
| Divorced or Dissolved civil partnership |  |
| Widowed or surviving civil partnership partner |  |
| Prefer not to say |  |
| **What is your religion?** | No religion |  |
| Buddhist |  |
| Christian |  |
| Hindu |  |
| Jewish |  |
| Muslim |  |
| Sikh |  |
| Any other religion |  |
| Prefer not to say |  |
| **Which of the following best describes your gender?** | Male |  |
| Female |  |
| Other (if you prefer to use another term, please specify in the answer box) |  |
| Prefer not to say |  |
| **Is the gender you identify with the same as your sex registered at birth?** | Yes |  |
| No (please specify your gender identity) |  |
| Prefer not to say |  |
| **Which of the following best describes your sexual orientation?** | Bi |  |
| Gay or Lesbian |  |
| Heterosexual |  |
| Other (if you prefer to use another term, please specify in the answer box) |  |
| Prefer not to say |  |
| **What is your ethnicity?**  *NB: Ethnic origin is not about nationality, place of birth or citizenship. It is about the group to which you perceive you belong. It is appreciated that the classification on the form is arbitrary. No universally accepted classification exists, and it is hoped that the one used here is acceptable if not ideal* | White – English/Welsh/Scottish/Northern Irish/British |  |
| White – Irish |  |
| White - Gypsy or Irish Traveller |  |
| White – Roma |  |
| White – any other white background |  |
| Black or Black British – Caribbean |  |
| Black or Black British – African |  |
| Black or Black British – any other black background |  |
| Asian or Asian British - Indian |  |
| Asian or Asian British – Pakistani |  |
| Asian or Asian British – Bangladeshi |  |
| Asian or Asian British - Chinese |  |
| Asian or Asian British – any other Asian background |  |
| Mixed – white and Black Caribbean |  |
| Mixed – white and Black African |  |
| Mixed – white and Asian |  |
| Mixed – any other mixed background |  |
| Arab |  |
| Any other ethnic group (if you prefer to use another term, please specify in the answer box) |  |
| Prefer not to say |  |
| **Do you have any physical or mental health conditions or illnesses lasting or expected to last 12 months or more?** | Yes |  |
| No |  |
| Prefer not to say |  |
| **If so, do any of your conditions or illnesses reduce your ability to carry out day-to-day activities?** | Yes, a lot |  |
| Yes, a little |  |
| Not at all |  |
| **What was the occupation of your main household earner when you were aged about 14?** | **Modern professional & traditional professional occupations** such as: teacher, nurse, physiotherapist, social worker, musician, police officer (sergeant or above), software designer, accountant, solicitor, medical practitioner, scientist, civil/mechanical engineer. |  |
| **Senior, middle or junior managers or administrators** such as: finance manager, chief executive, large business owner, office manager, retail manager, bank manager, restaurant manager, warehouse manager. |  |
| **Clerical and intermediate occupations** such as: secretary, personal assistant, call centre agent, clerical worker, nursery nurse. |  |
| **Technical and craft occupations** such as: motor mechanic, plumber, printer, electrician, gardener, train driver. |  |
| **Routine, semi-routine manual and service occupations** such as: postal worker, machine operative, security guard, caretaker, farm worker, catering assistant, sales assistant, HGV driver, cleaner, porter, packer, labourer, waiter/waitress, bar staff. |  |
| **Long-term unemployed** (claimed Jobseeker’s Allowance or earlier unemployment benefit for more than a year). |  |
| **Small business owners who employed less than 25 people** such as: corner shop owners, small plumbing companies, retail shop owner, single restaurant or cafe owner, taxi owner, garage owner. |  |
| **Other** such as: retired, this question does not apply to me, I don’t know. |  |
| **Prefer not to say.** |  |
| **Which type of school did you attend for most of the time between the ages of 11 and 16?** | **A state-run or state-funded school** |  |
| **Independent or fee-paying school** |  |
| **Independent or fee-paying school, where I received a means tested bursary covering 90% or more of the total cost of attending throughout my time there** |  |
| **Attended school outside the UK** |  |
| **I don’t know** |  |
| **Prefer not to say** |  |
| **If you finished school after 1980, were you eligible for free school meals at any point during your school years?** | **Yes** |  |
| **No** |  |
| **Not applicable** (finished school before 1980 or went to school overseas) |  |
| **I don’t know** |  |
| **Prefer not to say** |  |