

Position Title: Staff Counsel

Reports To: Head of Litigation

Mission Statement: The Thomas More Society (TMS) is a not-for-profit, national public interest law firm dedicated to restoring respect in law for life, family, and freedom. Based in Chicago, the Thomas More Society defends and fosters support for these causes by providing high quality pro-bono legal services from local trial courts all the way to the United States Supreme Court.

Logistics: Position will be remote with occasional travel to the TMS Headquarters in downtown Chicago.

Position Summary: We are seeking a highly qualified and experienced licensed attorney to join our legal team as Staff Counsel. Candidates should have at least seven years of federal court litigation experience, or at least five years of federal litigation experience if the candidate's experience also includes a federal clerkship.

Responsibilities:

- Lead and participate in the litigation of civil rights claims at the trial and appellate levels in federal and state courts.
- Perform legal research, draft pleadings, conduct discovery, and prepare briefs at the trial and appellate levels.
- Supervise junior attorneys and paralegals as appropriate.
- Provide superior quality representation in every phase of litigation.
- Cooperate with TMS's Marketing and Development teams to ensure our ministry partners are aware of our work.

Experience and Skill Requirements:

- Juris Doctor, preferably from a top-25 law school.
- Demonstrated legal research and writing skills.
- At least seven years of Federal Court litigation experience.
- Federal court clerkship preferred.
- Ability to use standard legal software applications.
- Excellent verbal, written, and interpersonal communication skills.
- Excellent analytical and organizational skills.
- Excellent problem-solving skills.
- Strong attention to detail.
- Ability to work, motivate, and initiate within a team.
- Ability to prioritize and achieve deadline goals.

Mission Requirements:

- Supportive of TMS positions on life, family, and freedom.
- Active faith life in accord with Christian teachings.