

Lawyer (Entity Formation)

Project Details

What we need:

- J.D. from a top ABA accredited law school
- Admission in good standing to practice law in California
- Experience with business formation
- Experience creating LLCs, partnership agreements, and/or corporations
- Advise and support in deciding which type of entity to choose with regards to taxes and other business and operational needs/commitments as well as risk mitigation
- Excellent oral and written communication
- Ability to conduct legal research and writing

Responsibilities Include

- Assisting with general business operations
- Electing business taxation status/ preparing and filing tax returns
- Leading process of entity formation in all steps from providing information, to deciding entity type to filling forms to submitting forms
- Creation of a partnership agreement if a team comprises two or more people, including up to 7 entity formations/year

How this will help:

- La Cocina's mission is to cultivate low-income food entrepreneurs as they grow their businesses.
- Entity formation workshops are led by a partner currently, so this will free up that partner and help a cohort of emerging food entrepreneurs from low-income backgrounds to formalize and successfully launch their businesses.

The Right Volunteer

Availability

- This individual should be prepared to perform an entity formation from providing initial advice to submitting an application, within 2 weeks, with all that entails.

Lawyer (Lease Negotiation)

Project Details

Who you are:

- J.D. from a top ABA accredited law school
- Admission in good standing to practice law in California
- Excellent contract drafting and deal negotiation skills
- 2+ years experience as a commercial real estate attorney, with experience negotiating commercial leases
- Contract drafting and deal negotiation skills with expertise in commercial real estate and lease negotiation
- An individual who can step in immediately when called and turnaround the lease in 5-7 days
- Excellent oral and written communication
- Ability to conduct legal research and writing

How this will help:

- La Cocina's mission is to cultivate low-income food entrepreneurs as they grow their businesses.
- Having spaces obtained via lease negotiation will help a cohort of emerging food entrepreneurs from low-income backgrounds to formalize and successfully launch their businesses.

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Availability

- Being on call is important for this position
- When the individual gets the call, it's important that they can immediately step in
- Turnaround is 5-7 days and we'll need this help roughly four times a year