

May 15, 2006, from Ivy Suriyopas (CJC F04):

Staff Attorney Position  
New York Lawyers for the Public Interest, Inc.

**New York Lawyers for the Public Interest (NYLPI)** is seeking applications for a Staff Attorney to work on issues of Environmental Justice and Community Development (EJ). Two to five years of relevant experience is required. Environmental and/or land use, civil rights experience is strongly preferred.

NYLPI is a not-for-profit civil rights law firm. NYLPI's staff attorneys, community organizers, and advocates engage in advocacy and impact litigation in the areas of environmental justice and community development, disability rights, and access to health care. In addition, NYLPI harnesses the resources of more than 80 of New York's most prestigious law firms and corporate legal departments to provide free legal assistance to community organizations and not-for profits.

The EJ Project is committed to a community lawyering approach, which involves partnership with and the provision of technical assistance to community-based organizations and coalitions. The staff attorney will work closely with the entire EJ team, including other lawyers and a community organizer, to provide high quality legal representation on issues involving civil rights, environmental and land use law. Legal work will range from litigation to policy work to transactional matters, such as assisting community planning efforts or working on community-driven redevelopment projects.

Criteria - Applications are encouraged from attorneys with two to five years experience of relevant experience - environmental and/or land use, civil rights preferred. Applicants must have top litigation skills and sensitivity to issues of discrimination on the basis of race and ethnicity. Excellent writing, analytic and public speaking skills are essential, as is the ability to work as part of a team in a fast-paced environment. Spanish or other second language is a strong plus.

NYLPI offers salary commensurate with experience plus excellent benefits. Please send your application by e-mail to [amatteis@nylpi.org](mailto:amatteis@nylpi.org) or by post to:

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Applications must include a cover letter, a resume, a brief writing sample, and three references (including daytime telephone numbers). Applications will be

reviewed on a rolling basis and should be submitted as soon as possible. The position will remain open until filled.

NYLPI is an affirmative action employer.