

# Cook County Office, Board or Commission Affidavit



Please fill out this application completely. Incomplete affidavits will not be considered for appointment. Please also submit your resume.

Please email the completed affidavit to Johnathan Buckner, Legislative Coordinator, at Jonathan.Buckner2@cookcountyil.gov and Brian Miller, Office of Commissioner Larry Suffredin at [bmiller@suffredin.org](mailto:bmiller@suffredin.org).

APPLICANT INFORMATION					
Which office/board/commission are you applying for?		Justice Advisory Council			
Last Name	Lusero	First	Anna	M.I.	E
Current Street Address	3209 N Drake Ave			Apartment/ Unit #	B
City	Chicago	State	IL	ZIP	60618
Phone	303-501-2862	E-mail Address	<a href="mailto:annalusero@gmail.com">annalusero@gmail.com</a>		
How long have you lived at your current address?				4 years	
Do you have multiple residences in Cook County?				YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	

If yes, please list your other addresses and which address is your primary address:

#### APPOINTMENT INFORMATION

Have you received a Homeowner's Property Tax Exemption at any other address other than your primary address during the current tax year?

YES ☐ NO ☒

Is your primary residence located within the district of the office, board, or commission that you are applying for?

YES ☒ NO ☐

Have you reviewed the legal requirements for the appointment that you are seeking?

YES ☒ NO ☐

Do you fulfill the legal requirements for the appointment that you are seeking?

YES ☒ NO ☐

Do you possess any conflicts of interest that would prevent you from adequately representing the interests of the office, board or commission that you are applying for?


YES ☐ NO ☒

Will you notify the President of the Cook County Board of Commissioners and the Chairman of the Legislation and Intergovernmental Relations Committee of the Cook County Board of Commissioners if there is a change to any of the statements set forth in this instrument?

YES ☒ NO ☐


Under penalties of perjury, I state that, to the best of my knowledge, the information contained in this application is true, correct and complete.

Applicant's Name: Anna Lusero

Applicant's Signature: 

Date: 2/28/2017

Subscribed and sworn before me this 28 day of FEBRUARY, 2017

Notary Signature: 



Notary Stamp

## **EDUCATION**

**Chicago-Kent College of Law, Chicago, IL**

*Juris Doctor, cum laude*, May 2010

- Awards and honors: Achievement Scholarship Recipient – three-year, full-tuition scholarship; Women's Bar Foundation Scholarship; Dean's Distinguished Public Service Award; Recognition for Leadership in Public Interest; CALI Award for highest grade Immigration Law and Legal Writing
- Leadership: Hispanic-Latino Law Student Association – President 2008-2009; Public Interest Law Initiative, National Lawyers Guild, Immigration Law Society – Board Member

**University of New Mexico, Albuquerque, NM**

*Bachelor of Arts in Spanish and History, summa cum laude*, May 2004

- Regent's Scholarship Recipient – four-year, full-ride academic scholarship

## **LANGUAGE**

Fluent Spanish; proficient spoken Arabic, elementary written Arabic

## **LEGAL EXPERIENCE**

**Chicago Community Bond Fund, Chicago, IL**

*Co-founder*, October 2015 – present

- Create educational material about bond in Illinois
- Create procedures to track bond requests, intakes, and outcomes for people bonded out
- Conduct intakes for people requesting bond
- Conduct legal research and implement procedures to ensure bond money returns to the fund
- Draft newsletters to inform public about activities and accomplishments
- Organize fundraisers and communicate with donors
- Facilitate board meetings and draft agendas

**Wage and Hour Division, U.S. Department of Labor, Chicago, IL**

*Regional Coordinator – Workplace Crimes*, March 2012 – present

- Interview vulnerable workers
- Analyze whether workers are victims of qualifying criminal activity and draft analysis
- Coordinate with various offices when workers who are victims of criminal activity are identified
- Create and conduct training on USDOL U visa program

**Legal Assistance Foundation, Chicago, IL**

*Staff Attorney/Equal Justice Works Fellow*, September 2010 – March 2012

- Filed labor-related U visa applications
- Conducted outreach to immigrant communities, worker-rights organizations, unions, immigration lawyers, and labor and employment lawyers to educate them about labor-related U visas
- Trained Illinois Department of Labor and Illinois Department of Human Rights on U visas and encouraged implementation of U visa certification protocol
- Outreach to labor-related government agencies regarding U visas
- Provided legal services, outreach, and advocacy to immigrant victims of employment-related crimes
- Represented worker in removal proceedings before an immigration judge

**Working Hands Legal Clinic, Chicago, IL**

*Legal Clerk*, January 2009 – May 2010

- Drafted complaints, discovery, and motions for wage and hour cases for immigrant workers; advocated for survivors of workplace sexual assault; researched and lobbied for amendments to Illinois wage and hour law to increase efficiency and effectiveness of wage recovery by the Illinois Department of Labor

**ANNA LUSERO, ESQ.**

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**Office of the Illinois Attorney General, Chicago, IL**

**Law Clerk**, August 2009 – December 2009

- Drafted pleadings for Labor Unit enforcing wage and hour laws; appeared in court on status calls and motions; communicated with clients and opposing parties

**Legal Aid Bureau of Metropolitan Family Services, Chicago, IL**

**Legal Intern**, May 2009 – August 2009

- Drafted pleadings for family law cases for survivors of domestic violence; conducted intake interviews; appeared in court for prove-ups, status calls, and motions

**Law Offices of Chicago-Kent – Immigration Clinic, Chicago, IL**

**Legal Intern**, August 2008 – December 2008

- Drafted brief for hearing on naturalization proceedings; wrote direct questions and closing argument for asylum hearing; prepared cancellation of removal application and supporting documentation

**Legal Assistance Foundation of Metropolitan Chicago, Chicago, IL**

**Legal Intern for Migrant Legal Assistance Project and Immigration Project**, January 2008 – January 2009

- Provided outreach to immigrant workers; conducted “Know Your Labor Rights” presentations; researched and prepared wage claim cases for migrant workers; interviewed clients
- Assisted with development of U visa intake system; conducted intake interviews and prepared U visa applications for victims of violent crime; prepared cancellation of removal applications

**El Centro Humanitario para los Trabajadores, Denver, CO**

**Legal Assistant**, January 2006 - September 2006

- Interviewed new clients; followed-up on wage claim and worker’s compensation cases; assisted with “Know Your Rights” classes in Spanish; conducted outreach to immigrant day laborers

**Catholic Charities/Immigrant Resource Center, Albuquerque, NM**

**Legal Assistant and Case Manager for VAWA Program**, August 2003 - January 2005

- Assessed new client eligibility and immigration options; prepared VAWA, employment authorization, and permanent residency applications; translated documents from Spanish to English

**OTHER EXPERIENCE**

**AmeriCorps / Albuquerque Public Schools Migrant Program, Albuquerque, NM**

**Tutor/Mentor**, October 2000 - May 2001

- Assisted 25 children of migrant farm workers; collaborated with community organizations

**AmeriCorps / Metro Community Provider Network, Denver, CO**

**Case Manager and Patient Advocate**, September 1999 - July 2000

- Coordinated services for 75 patients who had daily barriers affecting health and quality of life (i.e. language, poverty, abuse); supported 40 pre and post-partum Spanish-speaking patients

**PROFESSIONAL LICENSES**

Colorado State Bar, 2010

Illinois State Bar, 2011

**VOLUNTEER PUBLIC INTEREST AND INTERNATIONAL EXPERIENCE**

**United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, Damascus, Syria**

May - July 2007

**United Nations Relief and Works Agency, Damascus, Syria**

April - May 2007

**No More Deaths, Tucson, Arizona and Nogales, Mexico**

September 2006

**African Community Center, Denver, Colorado**

June - September 2006

**Hope for Future Generations/PLAN, Central Region, Ghana**

July - September 2005

**Planned Parenthood Association of Ghana, Cape Coast, Ghana**

June - September 2005