

**New Orleans Bar Association & New Orleans Bar Foundation (NOBF)
Veterans Justice Fellowship Application**

The **Veterans Justice Fellowship** in **Southeast Louisiana Legal Services (SLLS)** provides an opportunity for a talented and committed lawyer to serve the public interest in the New Orleans area. The 2018 Veterans Justice Fellow will provide civil legal services to low-income veterans to help stabilize their lives. We hope to serve at least 100 veterans with life changing legal help. Veterans will be reached through legal clinics and partnerships with the new Veterans Administration Hospital, the Bastion, the Delgado Community College Veterans Resource Center, and Veteran Reentry Courts. The NOBA Fellowship will provide a new way to improve the lives of vulnerable veterans in the New Orleans area.

The New Orleans Bar Association (NOBA) in conjunction with the New Orleans Bar Foundation (NOBF) is continuing funding for the second year of the first ever Veterans Fellowship in Louisiana at a nonprofit local civil legal aid organization. The 2018 NOBA & NOBF Fellowship will begin January 2, 2018 and will be housed at the New Orleans office of SLLS. SLLS is the largest provider of civil legal services in Louisiana handling about 10,000 cases per year.

In addition to the work at SLLS, Fellows will become members of the NOBA and required to attend all leadership functions, including the annual Bench Bar Conference, the annual Mayoral luncheon and Fleur De Lis functions. The Fellow will be required to do a briefing to the NOBA Board of Directors and publish an article in Briefly Speaking. (NOBA will waive all fees for the Fellow.)

Applications are due **by 11/30/2017** and can be sent via email to hhenderson@neworleansbar.org. Interested candidates must include a current resume highlighting your experience and your previous public interest and/or pro bono work. You must include an essay no longer than 500 words describing the importance of public interest work and why you are interested in applying for this fellowship. Candidates selected for interviews will be required to furnish a writing sample and three references. Preference is provided for candidates who are veterans and/or have a military background. Experience in handling Social Security disability and VA claims and/or working in a healthcare is desired.