

Call for Attorney Partner

Supervising Attorney & Curriculum Lead

Habeas Justice Lab – 4-Week Pilot

Juntos Community is seeking a mission-aligned attorney to serve as **Supervising Attorney and Curriculum Lead** for a 4-week pilot program focused on federal habeas litigation in immigration detention.

This pilot will combine **direct federal court intervention** with **hands-on legal training**, resulting in the filing of one habeas petition on behalf of a person currently in immigration detention while training 1–3 advocates in the fundamentals of habeas practice.

About the Pilot

The Habeas Justice Lab is a short-term, supervised legal education initiative designed to:

- Challenge unlawful or prolonged immigration detention
- Expand community-based legal capacity
- Train advocates through live case participation
- Develop a replicable model for future detention litigation work

This pilot will culminate in the filing of one federal habeas petition.

Role Overview

The selected attorney will:

- Serve as **counsel of record** on one federal habeas petition
- Design and facilitate a structured 4-week training curriculum
- Supervise 1–3 trainees drafting the petition
- Review and revise all filings
- Maintain full professional responsibility for the case
- Provide a short evaluation memo at the conclusion of the pilot

This is a limited-scope contract position.

Desired Qualifications

We are seeking an attorney who has:

- Experience litigating in federal district court
- Familiarity with habeas corpus and/or immigration detention cases
- Strong legal judgment and ethical clarity
- Experience mentoring, supervising, or teaching
- A commitment to community-centered and trauma-informed lawyering

Admission to the relevant federal district court (or eligibility) required.

Time Commitment

Approximately 35–45 hours over 6 weeks.

- Weekly training sessions (virtual or hybrid)
 - Draft review and supervision
 - Filing and limited post-filing strategy guidance
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Compensation

Flat fee: \$3,000

Application Process

Interested attorneys should submit:

1. Resume or CV
2. A short statement (1 page max) addressing:
 - Your experience with federal habeas or detention litigation
 - How you would structure a 4-week training program (high level)
 - Your approach to supervision and mentorship
3. Confirmation of active bar status and federal court admission

Send materials to: support@juntoscommunity.org
Subject line: *Denver Habeas Justice Clinic Attorney Application*

Applications will be reviewed on a rolling basis.
Questions to: support@juntoscommunity.org

Why This Matters

Across the country, individuals remain in immigration detention without meaningful access to judicial review. Habeas corpus remains one of the most powerful — yet underutilized — tools to challenge unlawful detention.

This pilot seeks to build both immediate impact and long-term capacity by pairing live federal litigation with supervised training.

We are looking for a thoughtful attorney who believes in expanding access to justice while maintaining rigorous legal standards.