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### **Interest Inventory for Committee Projects**

The mission of the Chicago Lawyers' Committee is to promote and protect civil rights, particularly the civil rights of poor, minority and disadvantaged people in order to facilitate their participation in the social, economic and political systems of our nation. As a cooperative pro bono effort of Chicago's leading law firms, the Committee strives to be consistently in the forefront of issues that effect the quality of life for people of color, low-wage earners, and the disadvantaged. The Committee pursues its objectives through impact litigation as well as through non-litigation programs. If you have an interest in any of the following subject areas, print this form, circle your interests and return the form to Elesha Jackson at the Committee office (address is above). Alternatively, you can copy the bottom portion of this form and email the information to Clyde Murphy ([cmurphy@clccrul.org](mailto:cmurphy@clccrul.org)). Please call us if you have any questions or an interest in an area of law not covered here.

#### *Litigation and Advocacy*

ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE (e.g., failure to comply with due process; voting rights; police misconduct)

CHILDREN'S ADVOCACY (e.g., access to health care; access to day care; special education; early intervention; school conditions; school funding; welfare reform)

EMPLOYMENT DISCRIMINATION and ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY (representation of plaintiffs under federal, state and city equal opportunity laws; support for affirmative action; discriminatory use of public funds; job development)

HOUSING (e.g., discrimination in rental housing; government housing programs; violations of federal, state and city laws; availability of affordable housing; zoning; mortgage lending discrimination and insurance redlining federal litigation)

PROJECT TO COMBAT BIAS VIOLENCE (advocating on behalf of hate crime victims in criminal court and litigation in civil court)

#### *Non-Litigation Assistance*

COMMUNITY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT LAW PROJECT (transactional support for community based economic development efforts, e.g., assistance to community groups in real

estate acquisition; zoning; for-profit and not-for-profit corporate structuring; loan agreements and legal support for small businesses)

COUNSEL TO COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS (not-for-profit incorporation; by-laws; tax-exemption; general corporate and tax advice)

LAWYERS' SCHOOL REFORM ADVISORY PROJECT (advise and training for local school councils; legal support for school reform organizations)

*Teaching Project*

INTRODUCTION TO LEGAL LEARNING (a program for beginning law students taught during June, July, and/or August)

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AREAS OF INTEREST (from above) \_\_\_\_\_

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