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Shervon Small Named as Attorney-in-Charge of Legal Aid's Civil Practice Bronx Neighborhood Office

(New York, NY) – The Legal Aid Society today announced Shervon Small as the new Attorney-in-Charge of the Civil Practice's Bronx Neighborhood Office. Small will lead and empower a dynamic team of more than 150 staff to provide comprehensive civil legal services throughout the Bronx. Additionally, he will be responsible for sustaining relationships with other stakeholders in the legal, court, and service communities.

Small joined Legal Aid's Civil Practice in 2015, as the Director of the Economic Equities Practice, where he managed various citywide projects including the Low Income Taxpayer Clinic, Consumer Law Project, Community Development Project, and the Legal Hand initiative in East New York.

Adriene Holder, Attorney-in-Charge of the Civil Practice at The Legal Aid Society, said: "We are proud to welcome Shervon to this new role, leading our amazing team of civil defenders in the Bronx. The Bronx will have a fierce new champion to address the critical needs of the communities we serve."

Shervon Small, said: "It is my greatest honor to serve my hometown of the Bronx as Attorney-in-Charge of the Bronx Neighborhood office. I look forward to continuing my advocacy for our clients and defending New Yorkers facing problems involving housing, homelessness, employment, public assistance benefits, disability-related assistance, immigration, and health law, among others."

Across Legal Aid, Small has worked with various teams, including government benefits, family law, housing, immigration and employment law, and has played an instrumental role in legislative advocacy, successfully pushing for laws and policies that benefit low-income New Yorkers. His fierce advocacy on racial economic inequality has led to funding for organizational units including the Community Development Project and other economic equities projects. Small has worked with stakeholders, community-based organizations, legal services providers, and elected officials, and regularly provides training to their staff and constituents.

Outside of Legal Aid, Small is a lecturer in law at Columbia Law School and co-instructor of The Economic Justice and Empowerment externship. Prior to joining Legal Aid, Small was a staff attorney at Bronx Legal Services, representing taxpayers before the Federal and New York tax authorities and litigating residential real estate foreclosure actions, predatory lenders, and deed theft. Shervon earned his law degree from Albany Law School and has been a proud resident of the Bronx for 30 years.

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