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Public interest law firm seeks full time, in-house Communications Director. The Roderick and Solange MacArthur Justice Center is a public interest law firm specializing in impact litigation that enforces the rights of people who come in contact with the criminal justice system, with offices in Chicago; New Orleans; Oxford, Mississippi; St. Louis; and Washington, DC. Some of our recent work involves civil rights cases filed on behalf of people who were wrongfully convicted, cases related to unconstitutional conditions in prisons and jails, death penalty representation, litigation challenging money bail, class action litigation enforcing the due process rights of children and people on parole. We are seeking a Communications Director who will be responsible for developing and executing a comprehensive, strategic communications plan that will include social media strategies as well as traditional media (print, broadcast and radio).

Additionally, the Communications Director will be responsible for:

- Tracking justice system related news nationally and in our office locations and communicating highlights to our staff;
- Updating our website and social media pages;
- Developing effective messaging related to cases and issues for the national and local media;
- Identifying opportunities for MJC to contribute to national and local dialogues on justice related issues;
- Developing and maintaining relationships with national and local journalists, bloggers and other influencers;
- Widely disseminating information about MJC's work to various, diverse audiences including but not limited to the advocacy community, elected officials, the legal community and the grassroots;
- Tracking MJC's work in each office and developing creative, cutting edge communications opportunities related to the cases and issues.

Applicants should have substantial communications experience in both traditional and digital media and a track record of success. The ideal candidate will be a strong writer, a creative thinker and will have some familiarity with litigation and the legal process, the criminal justice system, and racial justice. Salary is negotiable and will be competitive with other, similar positions. Interested persons should send a CV and cover letter to eraena-hart@law.northwestern.edu