

The Louis D. Brandeis Center for Human Rights Under Law

Senior Director of Public Policy

Washington, D.C.

Salary: \$210,000 - \$250,000

BACKGROUND

The Organization

The Louis D. Brandeis Center for Human Rights Under Law (LDB) was founded in 2011 by Kenneth L. Marcus, a civil rights attorney who recognized the need for an organization that utilizes law-based initiatives to combat anti-Semitism. LDB is an independent, unaffiliated, nonprofit organization established to advance the civil and human rights of the Jewish people and promote justice for all. LDB engages in research, education, and legal advocacy to combat the resurgence of anti-Semitism on college and university campuses, in the workplace, and elsewhere. It empowers students by training them to understand their legal rights and educates administrators and employers on best practices to combat racism and anti-Semitism. Throughout its existence, the LDB has advanced the most significant legal protections for Jewish Americans.

Over the course of the next few years, LDB will be broadly recognized as the premier legal advocacy organization for Jewish Americans who face antisemitic discrimination on and off college campuses. We aspire to achieve broad acceptance of the legal proposition that harassment of Jews based on shared ancestry and ethnicity is anti-Semitic and unlawful.

Position

The Louis D. Brandeis Center for Human Rights Under Law is looking for a Senior Director of Public Policy to oversee the organization's policy education efforts at the federal and state level. The Senior Director of Public Policy will help plan and drive LDB's policy efforts at the local, state, and federal government level. The Senior Director will report to the Chairman, Kenneth Marcus.

ROLE OVERVIEW

The Senior Director will be responsible for:

- Developing a current and multi-year public policy education and advocacy strategy to advance LDB's mission at all levels of government, including identifying both current and future opportunities to forward LDB's mission.
- Engaging policymakers at the highest levels across all levels of government.
- Establishing and maintaining relationships with Members of Congress, White House officials, key stakeholders, and thought leaders.
- Drafting and providing Congressional testimony and written comments on LDB's position regarding pending federal and state legislation and regulations.
- Establishing and maintaining relationships with the news media.
- Creating or participating in coalitions to further LDB's interests.
- Draft and maintaining oversight of LDB's policy and education materials developed for key legislative and other audiences to ensure a unified and consistent voice, including webinars, factsheets, and training materials. Issue areas include anti-Semitism in higher education, healthcare and labor.
- Supervising one junior staff member and possibly hiring an additional staff member.

THE IDEAL CANDIDATE

Qualifications include:

- Bachelor's degree required with a master's degree in public policy or relevant advanced degree preferred.
- Significant existing relationships with federal and state legislators and regulators.
- Ten or more years of relevant experience, including at least 5 years of experience building and leading an organization's policy advocacy efforts. Comparable experience working in the US House of Representatives or US Senate would be considered.
- Demonstrated success in educating key legislative bodies.
- Exceptional ability to communicate effectively orally and in writing.
- Experience developing new policy advocacy strategies and programs for an organization in an early-stage (start-up) or experiencing rapid growth.
- Knowledge and understanding of the federal and state legislative and regulatory processes.
- Knowledge and experience working on LDB's key issues of racism and anti-Semitism in higher education.

WHO WE ARE

Work Environment

The Louis D. Brandeis Center currently has a hybrid work environment with staff across Washington DC, NYC, and California. This position will be based in Washington DC with two – four days a week in the office preferred.

COMPENSATION AND BENEFITS

Salary

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Benefits

- Health, dental, and vision coverage
- Disability + life insurance
- 401(k)
- Vacation, federal holidays, and sick leave

We encourage candidates of all backgrounds to apply even if you do not meet all of the qualifications outlined above.

The Louis D. Brandeis Center is an equal opportunity employer.

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