

Case Advocate

Case Advocate (Full-Time, Teaneck, NJ)

The Organization for the Resolution of Agunot (ORA) is an international nonprofit organization dedicated to eliminating abuse in the Jewish divorce process. ORA's Advocacy Division formulates and implements case resolution strategies for victims of *get*-refusal. As a part of the Advocacy Division, the Case Advocate facilitates communication between parties, provides guidance in navigating the Jewish and civil court systems, collaborates with communal leaders and professionals in the field, and coordinates public campaigns to resolve cases of *get*-refusal. The Case Advocate works under the supervision of the Director of Advocacy in advancing case advocacy at ORA, pursuing the organization's mission, and serving as a liaison with rabbinic and communal lay leaders.

Responsibilities

The Case Advocate will play a key role in ORA's Advocacy Division by working closely with the Director of Advocacy and the case advocacy team in implementing ORA's advocacy goals. Primary responsibilities will include:

- Strategizing and implementing creative solutions to complex *agunah* cases
- Providing emotional support and guidance to *agunot*
- Networking with *batei din*, attorneys, and community rabbis to facilitate the *beit din* process
- Organizing communal initiatives to apply social pressure against recalcitrant parties
- Maintaining comprehensive case files
- Liaising with the Sephardic Jewish Community

Who We Are

The Organization for the Resolution of Agunot (ORA) seeks to eliminate abuse from the Jewish divorce process. ORA pursues its mission through advocacy, early intervention, and educational initiatives. Our goal is to change the Jewish community culture surrounding *get* refusal and domestic abuse and prevent future *agunah* cases through the widespread adoption of the Halachic Prenuptial Agreement. ORA currently works on 70-75 active *agunah* cases at any given time, fields hundreds of calls annually through our Jewish divorce helpline, One Step Forward, and educates thousands of students and adults through school presentations, community Scholar-in-Residence programs, and an innovative college campus fellowship. ORA leads the conversation around *get* abuse through social media, scholarship, and community advocacy.

Who You Are

The successful candidate will be self-motivated, dynamic, organized and passionate about ORA's advocacy work. The candidate will be an active listener, critical thinker and team player while having excellent interpersonal and communication skills. The candidate must be able to remain composed and thoughtful in intense and demanding situations. The candidate must have a Bachelor's degree. The candidate should be conversant in Modern Hebrew, proficient in reading *halachic* sources and sensitive to Orthodox communal standards and the sanctity of the *halachic* process.

Salary Range

\$50,000 - \$55,000 commensurate with experience.

To Apply

To apply, please send a cover letter and resume in PDF form to: Yonatan Klayman, Director of Advocacy, at yklayman@getora.org. The cover letter should explain your interest in addressing the *agunah* crisis as well as specify your experiences and expertise that are relevant to this position. ORA is an equal opportunity employer.

Preference for applications received by October 18, 2021.