The University of Pennsylvania Carey Law School, a national leader in clinical legal education for nearly 45 years, seeks to appoint a full-time faculty member to its Practice Professor track to begin July 1, 2022. This is a practice professor track position, which is Penn Law’s equivalent of clinical tenure track. Practice Professors are eligible to receive research funds during the academic year and may also apply for summer financial support for scholarly research. Upon successful review, clinicians are promoted to the position of full Practice Professor and awarded five-year presumptively renewable contracts. Both entry-level and lateral candidates are encouraged to apply to us.

We seek candidates from a variety of practice areas and a full range of teaching experiences. We are interested in vibrant candidates with strong practice experience, distinguished academic and professional achievement, dynamic teaching and supervisory skills, and a deep commitment to clinical legal education, teamwork, and collegiality. We seek someone who will help us build new and innovative clinics at Penn Law that are responsive to emerging professional and societal needs. Ideal candidates may have creative ideas about new clinics or may fill existing gaps in our curriculum. Though we are looking broadly, some areas of interest include civil rights, community lawyering, criminal justice, dispute resolution, environmental law and justice, and technology and law. Please note that this list is not exhaustive nor should it discourage applicants who have interests in other areas of practice.

We are looking for a faculty colleague who is passionate about teaching and mentoring students to become outstanding lawyers. The ideal candidate will be creative and thoughtful with a focus on student development, law reform, and advancement of the profession. The prime directive of Penn Law’s clinics is to place students in the lead role of providing legal services, under close faculty supervision. Successful candidates will present an inspiring vision for their clinical model, embracing Penn’s prime directive. We value diversity of life experience, perspectives, and approaches to lawyering. The ultimate goal is to educate law students to be skilled, reflective, and ethical practitioners. We look forward to welcoming a new colleague who will help us grow our program for the next generation of Penn Law graduates.

Review of applicants will begin in October and continue until the position is filled. To express your interest, please submit a C.V., cover letter, and 1-2 page description of the clinic you hope to teach at Penn Law School through Interfolio. If you have questions about accessing or using Interfolio, please contact Megan Hackett at hackett2@law.upenn.edu. Any other questions can be sent to Deputy Dean for Clinical Education, Praveen Kosuri at pkosuri@law.upenn.edu.

Penn Law strongly encourages applicants who would help our university continue to build a diverse, inclusive, and equitable academic community to apply.

Penn Law School’s endowed clinical program, the Gittis Legal Clinics, is home to nine in-house clinics covering appellate practice, civil litigation, child advocacy, criminal defense, entrepreneurship and community economic development, immigration and human rights, intellectual property, legislation, and mediation.