The Law Office of Nora J. Chorover (“NJC Law”) is looking for a stormwater monitoring consultant (“Consultant”) to perform stormwater monitoring tasks as part of the law firm’s ongoing Citizen Enforcement Project in Massachusetts. NJC Law represents environmental organizations in citizen suits brought in federal court to enforce environmental laws. Most federal environmental laws contain “citizen suit” provisions giving environmental groups the right to seek judicial remedy for illegal pollution. NJC Law’s Citizen Enforcement Project is presently focused on achieving widespread compliance with stormwater requirements of the federal Clean Water Act. Many of these stormwater suits are resolved through settlements in which companies agree to clean up their stormwater discharges and make a payment to a third party group that is working to improve the quality of the affected waterbody.

The Consultant will help NJC Law and its clients to determine whether particular facilities are complying with the Clean Water Act. In particular, the Consultant will conduct visual and analytical monitoring of industrial stormwater discharges in accordance with EPA’s “Industrial Stormwater Monitoring and Sampling Guide.” The Consultant will visit specified industrial facilities during rain events to perform water sampling and visual analysis. The Consultant will collect stormwater samples for laboratory analysis, send samples to the lab, and report back to NJC Law on the lab results. If litigation is required, the Consultant may be called upon to testify in court.

Qualifications: Bachelors or post-graduate degree  
Interest in or familiarity with water quality monitoring  
Driver’s license and either own car or qualify for car rental

Location: Massachusetts (various locations throughout Commonwealth)

Time commitment: As needed (1-3 monitoring events per calendar quarter)

Compensation: $30/hour for monitoring sampling and reporting  
$80/hour for preparing and providing written or verbal sworn testimony in court proceedings

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