

Operation Lone Star Spanish Interpreter (remote position)

Since March 2021, thousands of migrants have been arrested near the Texas-Mexico border and charged with state crimes under Operation Lone Star (OLS). Most individuals are Spanish-speakers and are charged with misdemeanor trespass or felony smuggling. The Lubbock Private Defenders Office (LPDO) is the indigent defense hub for OLS, and its goal is to ensure that all individuals charged as part of Operation Lone Star receive the zealous representation that the U.S. Constitution promises them. LPDO is looking to hire a Spanish Interpreter to join our growing OLS team. Everyone on the team is remote.

The Interpreter will work alongside defense attorneys and other essential OLS staff to interpret from Spanish to English and English to Spanish during client interviews, witness interviews, and family phone calls. Client visits occur via Zoom and by phone. The Interpreter may also be asked to provide written translations of client letters, court documents, and other materials.

Because Spanish Interpreters are a crucial part of the communication as they serve as a bridge between clients and their defense attorneys, excellent communication skills are critical. Given the volume of clients involved in OLS, we are looking for candidates who have strong organization skills and who work well in a team setting.

We are looking to hire by August 1.

For more information, visit www.olsdefense.org.

Requirements & Expectations

- Spanish language fluency (speaking, reading, and writing) is required. Court certification is preferred.
- Applicant should be passionate about criminal defense and immigration justice.
- Prior experience in a legal setting or with immigrant communities is preferred. Being Texas-based is preferred.
- A bachelor's degree.

Compensation

• Salary range of \$50,000 to \$55,000 depending on experience and qualifications. We offer good benefits and a supportive work environment.

For more information, visit www.olsdefense.org/getinvolved
To apply, send a resume and cover letter to Nancy Arreguin – narreguin@lpdo.org.