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Third firm lends lawyers

Ford & Harrison is the third law firm to join the Memphis Area Legal Services' Loan a Lawyer program.

Telesa Taylor started her stint at MALS last week and will be volunteering for at least two months.

Under the Loan a Lawyer program, firms lend new associates to MALS for two to three months, helping expand the assistance the nonprofit organization can provide while gaining more experience for the lawyers.

Participating firms pay all salary and benefits while the associate is on loan - a commitment estimated to cost each firm \$30,000.

For the firm's contribution, its associate receives Continuing Legal Education (CLE) credits and supervised, hands-on litigation training, which is something new lawyers are finding harder to acquire.

Atlanta-based **Ford & Harrison** is a labor and employment law firm with 150 lawyers in 15 offices, including Memphis.

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