

# **Community Legal Aid**

A non-profit law firm serving the legal needs of low-income individuals and families in central northeast Ohio



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## **Advocacy Director: Rachel Nader**

Rachel Nader is the Advocacy Director at Community Legal Aid. In this role, Rachel is responsible for leading the systemic and impact legal work of Community Legal Aid, managing the substantive Practice Groups to develop and maintain an aggressive advocacy agenda for the organization and assisting in the professional development of staff.

Before serving in this role, Rachel served as the Managing Attorney for the Volunteer Legal Services Program, the Neighborhood Law Project, and the I Promise Project. Prior to assuming her management role, Rachel had been a staff attorney with Legal Aid for nearly 20 years. She represented clients in housing matters, including foreclosures, evictions, land contracts, landlord-tenant, public housing, and fair housing matters. She also handled bankruptcies, consumer litigation, predatory lending, debt collection, utility shut-off, and other financial legal matters.

Prior to coming to Legal Aid, Rachel was a partner in the AV-rated law firm of Guy, Lammert & Towne in Akron, concentrating on commercial law and complex litigation.

In addition to her role at Legal Aid, Rachel is a Trustee for the Trumbull County Bar Association and was appointed by the Trumbull County Commissioners to the Trumbull County Planning Commission Board.

She also serves on the Trumbull County Mental Health and Recovery Board, and is the chair for the Trumbull County Bar Association Social Committee. She is the recipient of the 2012 Trumbull County Children Services Award.

Rachel currently resides in Cortland, Ohio with her husband and children. She enjoys spending time with her family, cooking and travelling.

Rachel earned her juris doctorate from University of Akron School of Law, as well as an B.S. from Youngstown State University.

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