

GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL



POSITION VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

AMENDED

This vacancy is being re-advertised with a higher salary range.

ANNOUNCEMENT NO: #17-028* *Applicants who have already applied need not re-apply; you will be considered with the additional applicants.	POSITION TITLE: DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL (Public Safety Division)
POSITION GRADE & SERIES: LX-2 Band	SALARY RANGE: \$150,000 – \$165,000 Salary in this range will be based on a multitude of factors including applicable rules, regulations and guidelines.
OPENING DATE: April 21, 2017	CLOSING DATE: May 12, 2017
DURATION OF APPOINTMENT: At-Will Senior Executive Attorney Service (SEAS)	AREA OF CONSIDERATION: Open to the Public
WORKSITE LOCATION: Office of the Attorney General for the District of Columbia Public Safety Division 441 4th Street NW Washington, DC 20001	NO. OF VACANCIES: One (1)

This position is outside the collective bargaining unit.

DESCRIPTION OF DUTIES: The Office of the Attorney General for the District of Columbia (“OAG”) is seeking candidates for the position of Deputy Attorney General in the Public Safety Division (“PSD”). PSD includes four litigating sections:

- The Juvenile Section is responsible for all juvenile delinquency and status offense prosecutions in the District of Columbia;
- The Criminal Section prosecutes adults who commit certain types of misdemeanor offenses within the District of Columbia, including impaired driving, firearms, traffic, and quality of life, as well as tax and welfare fraud;
- The Domestic Violence Section assists petitioners in filing for and enforcing civil protection orders; and

- The Mental Health Section represents the Department of Behavioral Health in guardianship cases and involuntary civil commitment hearings.

Additionally, the Special Counsel for Juvenile Justice Reform reports to the Deputy and leads OAG's efforts on restorative justice and juvenile justice reform. Finally, PSD includes the Juvenile Specialty Courts Unit, which handles truancy and person in need of supervision matters including curfew violations and frequent runaway or missing persons matters, and the Victim Advocacy and Restorative Services Unit, which assists prosecutors in serving victims of crime and facilitating resolution to crime and conflict. Both Units report to the Assistant Deputy Attorney General. Together, the Deputy Attorney General and the Assistant Deputy Attorney General for PSD oversee the management and operations of a Division comprised of approximately 65 attorneys and 20 paraprofessional staff.

In addition to managing the litigation and operations of the Division, the Deputy is expected to be a thought leader in criminal justice practice and policy. OAG seeks to employ data-driven, reform minded strategies—such as restorative justice and juvenile diversion programs—to achieve positive public safety outcomes for District residents. The Deputy must be able to think systematically about the goals of the criminal, juvenile, domestic violence, and mental health systems in which the Division works and implement reforms aimed at employing best practices. The Deputy works closely with the Attorney General and the Chief Deputy Attorney General in the planning, coordination and management of OAG, including developing and implementing the vision for OAG's criminal justice work.

The responsibilities of the Deputy for Public Safety include, but are not limited to:

- Directly supervising the Assistant Deputy, four Section Chiefs, and Special Counsel, a function that includes supporting managers in their supervision of litigation, providing for necessary training, evaluating performance, and dealing with other personnel-related issues;
- Establishing policies and procedures for the Division;
- Reviewing and evaluating major cases and making plea or settlement recommendations or authorizing pleas or settlements;
- Advising the Attorney General and other senior government officials regarding public safety, law enforcement and related issues;
- Drafting legislation and testimony regarding pending legislation;
- Serving as part of OAG's senior management team on various agency-wide issues, including participation in agency committees;
- Negotiating and drafting memoranda of understanding with other District agencies;
- Responding to press inquiries upon request of the Communications Director;
- Meeting with and advising high-level government officials, including members of the DC Council and their staff; and
- Liaising with the D.C. Superior Court, the United States Attorney's Office for the District of Columbia, the Mayor's Office, the Metropolitan Police Department, and a host of other agencies with whom Division attorneys routinely interact.

QUALIFICATIONS: The successful candidate must have significant supervisory experience, strong interpersonal skills, and effective oral and written communication skills. In addition, the candidate must

possess strong managerial and organization skills, substantive knowledge of some or all of the practice areas in the Division and litigation experience. The ideal candidate should also have a working knowledge of the operations of the District government and the ability to manage in a fast-paced litigation-oriented environment.

The position is an at-will appointment by the Attorney General of the District of Columbia. The position is in the Senior Executive Attorney Service (SEAS), with compensation set by the Attorney General on the LX-2 pay scale using a multitude of factors, including prior managerial experience. The selected candidate is required to be a resident of the District of Columbia within 180 days of appointment and remain a District resident during the tenure of the appointment.

ELIGIBILITY: The successful candidate must have a law degree and be an active member in good standing of the bar of any jurisdiction. If not a member of the District of Columbia Bar, the candidate must be sworn into the District of Columbia Bar within 360 days of his/her initial appointment with the Office of the Attorney General for the District of Columbia.

OTHER INFORMATION: The selected candidate will be subject to a background investigation including reference checks.

HOW TO APPLY: Candidates should e-mail one PDF file which includes: 1) a cover letter (must include the vacancy number) summarizing why you are interested and the skills and abilities you possess that will enable you to succeed in this position; 2) résumé; 3) list of three references; and 4) a writing sample to OAG.RecruitmentAttorney@dc.gov by 11:59pm of the closing date indicated above, addressed to Arlyntha Love, Office of the Attorney General for the District of Columbia, 441 4th Street NW, Washington, DC 20001.

PRIORITY CONSIDERATION: Displaced Employee Priority Placement: Candidates who are eligible for the District of Columbia's Displaced Employee Program (DEP) and Agency Reemployment Priority Placement Program (ARPP) will be given priority consideration for this position if found qualified.

EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS: Selectee will be eligible for health and life insurance, annual (vacation) and sick leave and will be covered under the District of Columbia government's retirement plan. However, if selectee was previously employed in the District of Columbia's government under an appointment for which he/she was eligible for Civil Service Retirement (CSR), contributions to CSR will resume upon re-employment.

VETERANS' PREFERENCE: Applicants claiming veterans' preference must submit official proof at the time of application.

DRUG-FREE WORKPLACE: Pursuant to the requirements of the Drug-Free Workplace Act of 1998, the individual selected to fill this position will, as a condition of employment, be required to notify his/her immediate supervisor, in writing, not later than five (5) days after conviction of or a plea of guilty to a violation of any criminal drug statute occurring in the workplace.

EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER: All qualified candidates will receive consideration without regard to race, color, religion, national origin, sex, age, marital status, personal appearance, sexual orientation, family responsibilities, matriculation, physical handicap, genetic information or political affiliation.

NOTICE OF NON-DISCRIMINATION: In accordance with the D.C. Human Rights Act of 1977, as amended, D.C. Official Code, Section 2-1401.01 *et. seq.*, (Act) the District of Columbia does not discriminate on the basis of actual or perceived race, color, religion, national origin, sex, age, marital status, personal appearance, sexual orientation, familial status, family responsibilities, matriculation, political affiliation, disability, genetic information, source of income, or place of residence or business. Sexual harassment is a form of sex discrimination which is also prohibited by the Act. In addition, harassment based on any of the above protected categories is prohibited by the Act. Discrimination in violation of the Act will not be tolerated. Violators will be subject to disciplinary action.

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