

**GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL**



POSITION VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

ANNOUNCEMENT NO: #17-043	POSITION TITLE: TRIAL ATTORNEY (Environmental)
POSITION GRADE & SERIES: LS-13/1 to 15/1	SALARY RANGE: \$94,915– \$131,935 Salary in this range will be based on a multitude of factors including applicable rules, regulations and guidelines.
OPENING DATE: June 15, 2017	CLOSING DATE: July 7, 2017
DURATION OF APPOINTMENT: Permanent	AREA OF CONSIDERATION: Open to the Public
WORKSITE LOCATION: Office of the Attorney General for the District of Columbia Public Advocacy Division 441 4 th Street NW Washington, DC 20001	NO. OF VACANCIES: One (1)

This position is in the collective bargaining unit represented by AFGE Local 1403 and you may be required to pay an agency service fee through direct payroll deduction.

DESCRIPTION OF DUTIES: The Public Integrity Unit of the Public Advocacy Division of the Office of the Attorney General for the District of Columbia (OAG) is seeking an experienced environmental litigator to handle complex environmental law matters. The Public Advocacy Division investigates and litigates civil cases aimed at protecting the public interest. The Public Integrity Unit brings enforcement cases against companies and individuals that engage in unlawful commercial activity causing harm to the public or harm to the District Government itself. The Division prosecutes a wide range of cases, including cases seeking damages or injunctive relief for violations of the antitrust, environmental, anti-fraud, nonprofit, and charities laws. Recent enforcement actions have addressed a wide range of public interest issues, including diversion of funding from public charter schools, misuse of District grant funds, online lending to consumers, and airline competition at Reagan National Airport.

The successful candidate will have primary responsibility for OAG's environmental legal work. The District enters into, enforces, and complies with a number of consent decrees to clean up hazardous environmental sites. The successful candidate will evaluate these agreements, including assessing them for litigation potential, and litigating them when warranted. Further, the District has authority to enforce a number of local and federal environmental laws; for example, the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act, the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act, the Clean Water Act, and the Brownfield Act. The successful candidate will evaluate facts under these laws, recommend legal strategies, and implement those

strategies. The successful candidate will work closely with the District's Department of Energy and Environment in assessing cleanups, determining strategy around consent decrees and litigation, and evaluating whether the District could be more aggressive in its enforcement of existing environmental authorities. The successful candidate will also be charged with understanding best practices in environmental litigation in other attorney general offices around the country, and suggesting improvements in the way the District does its environmental law business.

QUALIFICATIONS: A minimum of five years of relevant, environmental litigation experience is required. This experience should include handling complex matters with multiple parties involved. The candidate should also have excellent analytical, writing and litigation skills.

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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THE OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL**