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November 17, 2022 NOTICE OF JOB VACANCY #22-622

An opportunity currently exists in the unclassified service with the Department of Law & Public Safety, Office of the Attorney General, for applicants who meet the requirements specified below:

TITLE: Assistant Attorney General
(Senior Counsel – Statewide Affirmative Firearms Enforcement (SAFE) Office)

SALARY: \$150,000.00

LOCATION: Office of the Attorney General
SAFE Office
25 Market Street
Trenton, NJ 08625

OR

Office of the Attorney General
SAFE Office
124 Halsey Street
Newark, NJ 07102

NUMBER OF POSITIONS AVAILABLE: One (1) – Location preference required.

In July 2022, the Attorney General established the Statewide Affirmative Firearms Enforcement (SAFE) Office within the Department of Law and Public Safety. SAFE exercises the powers and duties vested in the Attorney General by P.L. 2002, c.56, including authority to investigate violations and bring civil enforcement actions against gun industry members. More broadly, SAFE coordinates across the Department to facilitate the efficient and effective administration of laws pertaining to gun violence. SAFE is directed and supervised by the Attorney General.

DUTIES: Under the direction of SAFE’s Director and Deputy Director, SAFE’s Senior Counsel will help lead SAFE’s work as to members of the firearms industry that injure or endanger others by violating the law in their manufacture, sale, or marketing of firearms. This work involves designing and implementing investigations, evaluating state and federal legal issues, assessing evidence and potential claims, and prosecuting civil enforcement lawsuits. In doing so, SAFE’s Senior Counsel will work closely with the Office of the Attorney General and other components of the Department with responsibilities relating to firearms, and coordinate and supervise outside litigation counsel; does related work as required.

REQUIREMENTS

EDUCATION: Graduation from an accredited law school with a Juris Doctor. Admission to practice as an Attorney at Law in the State of New Jersey is required.

EXPERIENCE: Four (4) years of professional legal experience as an attorney at law of the State of New Jersey in the area of the specialty or, three years of professional legal experience as an attorney for State or Federal administrative agencies which shall have involved a significant amount of the specialized legal work, or, two years of unique specialized legal experience.

LICENSE: Appointee will be required to possess a driver's license valid in New Jersey only if the operation of a vehicle, rather than employee mobility, is necessary to perform essential duties of the position.

PREFERENCE: Preference may be given to candidates who have served as prosecutors or enforcement attorneys, who possess leadership experience in white collar investigations, who possess leadership experience in bringing or defending complex litigation, who possess subject matter knowledge regarding the firearms industry or laws applicable thereto, and/or who previously served as a law clerk for a federal trial or appellate court or a state supreme court.

RESUME NOTE: Eligibility determinations will be based upon information presented in resume only. Applicants who possess foreign degrees (degrees earned outside of the U.S.) are required to provide an evaluation indicating the U.S. equivalency prior to the closing date. Failure to do so may result in your ineligibility.

All offers of employment are conditional subject to the applicant agreeing to and then passing a background check that may include fingerprinting.

If qualified, please send a cover letter indicating interest in job vacancy announcement #22-622 with desired location preference and a current resume on or before the closing date of December 17, 2022 to:

Recruitment Coordinator
LPS.Humanresources@njoag.gov

-OR-

Recruitment Coordinator
Division of Administration
P.O. Box 081
Trenton, NJ 08625-0081

The “New Jersey First Act,” N.J.S.A. 52:14-7 (L. 2011, Chapter 70), requires new public employees to reside in the State of New Jersey within one (1) year of employment.

The Department of Law and Public Safety is an Equal Opportunity Employer and is committed to inclusive hiring and dedicated to diversity in our staff. We strongly encourage people from all groups and communities to apply.

