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NOTICE OF JOB VACANCY
#23-29

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

TITLE: Deputy Attorney General 1
(Section Chief)

SALARY: \$116,045.41 to \$162,458.13

LOCATION: Division of Law
Affirmative Civil Enforcement Practice Group
Government & Healthcare Fraud Section
124 Halsey Street, Newark, NJ 07101

NUMBER OF POSITIONS AVAILABLE: One (1)

The Government & Healthcare Fraud Section (“GHF”) of the Affirmative Civil Enforcement Practice Group conducts large scale civil investigations and litigations in federal and state court on behalf of the State of New Jersey and its agencies to enforce the New Jersey False Claims Act (“NJFCA”). Whistleblowers who detect fraud against the State file qui tam lawsuits against government contractors and grantees, which GHF investigates, and where appropriate litigates, to bring wrongdoers to justice. GHF also initiates civil NJFCA investigations and prosecutions when the State itself suspects fraud by providers of goods and services or grantees. The GHF Section has handled matters involving fraud alleged in the provision of environmental testing services, education services, transportation services, financial services, prevailing wages, and pharmaceutical manufacturers and other providers of healthcare goods or services. GHF is dedicated to holding those who defraud the State accountable, oftentimes in concert with the federal government and other states across the nation, to protect New Jersey’s taxpayers.

DUTIES: Under the supervision of the Assistant Attorney General and Deputy Director of the Affirmative Civil Enforcement Practice Group, the Section Chief in the Government & Healthcare Fraud Section will assign and supervise the work of other deputies in the Section; supervise and work with the Assistant Section Chief in managing the deputies; manage and participate in the Section’s pending investigations and litigations; plan and manage the operations of the Section; evaluate the performance of and conduct case file reviews with deputies in the Section; and perform other duties 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: Five (5) years of experience as a practicing attorney, two (2) year of which shall have been in a supervisory capacity.

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 the essential duties of the position.

PREFERENCE: Preference will be given to candidates with relevant experience handling litigation involving claims under the NJFCA or the federal False Claims Act, experience handling complex civil affirmative investigations and enforcement actions, and/or demonstrated legal writing ability. Preference will also be given to candidates with at least seven (7) years of litigation experience, with at least three (3) years of such experience in a supervisory capacity.

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 will 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, applicants must complete a Division of Law attorney application for employment found at www.njoag.gov/about/divisions-and-offices/division-of-law-home/hiring/. While completing the application you will be instructed to upload supporting documents including but not limited to: a resume, cover letter indicating interest in job vacancy announcement #23-29, a copy of your Certificate of Good Standing with the Supreme Court of New Jersey, a legal writing sample (unedited by others), a copy of your unofficial law school transcripts (self-prepared transcripts are not acceptable), and an Affirmative Action form. All items must be submitted together, in one package, via the DOL online attorney application portal, on or before the closing date of **February 18, 2023.**

Current Division of Law employees need only submit a resume and cover letter to: DOL.Applicant@law.njoag.gov

Current DOL employees must indicate #23-29 - Section Chief, GHF in the subject line.

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.

