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NOTICE OF JOB VACANCY #24-132

This is a repost of job vacancy announcement #23-31; previous applicants need not reapply.

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

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| TITLE: | Deputy Attorney General 4 | OR | Deputy Attorney General 3 |
| SALARY: | \$90,643.87 to \$129,354.76 | | \$104,206.72 to \$149,010.97 |
| LOCATION: | Division of Law Department of Children and Families Practice Group Department of Children and Families North and Essex Sections 153 Halsey Street AND 124 Halsey Street Newark, NJ 07102 | | |

NUMBER OF POSITIONS AVAILABLE: Five (5) total between both offices – location preference required when applying.

The Deputy Attorneys General work under the supervision of Assistant Section Chiefs and Section Chiefs of the practice group to provide legal representation and counseling to the Department of Children and Families. The majority of the work entails representing the Division of Child Protection and Permanency (DCP&P). In these litigation intensive assignments, Deputy Attorneys General handle all aspects of child welfare litigation including child abuse and neglect and termination of parental rights matters. The assignment is fast-paced and is meant for attorneys with an interest in appearing in court, appellate practice and client counseling. DCF- North represents DCP&P in Bergen, Passaic, Morris, Union, Somerset, Hunterdon, Warren and Sussex Counties. DCF-Metro represents DCP&P in Essex and Hudson counties. Performs other related legal work as required.

DUTIES: Under the supervision of the Section Chief, Assistant Section Chief, Assistant Attorneys General, or other supervisory official within the Division of Law, will provide legal counsel and representation to DCP&P. Deputies litigate matters involving allegations of abuse and/or neglect of children; performs 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:

DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL 4: Two (2) years of experience as a practicing attorney.

DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL 3: Three (3) years of experience as a practicing attorney.

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.

***SALARY NOTE:** For newly hired individuals, the starting salary will be determined by the Department commensurate with experience. Salary offers are non-negotiable and will fall within the range posted.

RESUME NOTE: Eligibility determinations for experience and education will be based upon the resume and unofficial transcripts submitted at the time of application. Applicants who possess foreign degrees (degrees earned outside of the U.S.) are required to provide a CSC approved evaluation indicating the U.S. equivalency, with a course-by-course breakdown, prior to the closing date (see [CSC foreign degree information](#)). Failure to do so may result in disqualification of your education towards eligibility.

SAME APPLICANTS: If you are applying under the NJ CSC "SAME" program, your Schedule A or B letter must be submitted along with your resume and any other required supporting documents indicated on the announcement by the closing date indicated below. For more information on the SAME Program please email: SAME@csc.nj.gov, or call CSC at (609) 292-4144, option 3.

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

HOW TO APPLY: If qualified, applicants must submit for consideration via the DOL online attorney application portal found here: www.njoag.gov/dolatty/ indicating interest in vacancy #24-132. All items must be submitted via the DOL online attorney application portal.

This announcement will remain open until all vacancies have been filled.

Current DOL employees need only send a current resume and cover letter to DOL Applicant DOL.Applicant@law.njoag.gov and must indicate #24-132 – DAG 4 or 3, Metro/North 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.

