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Statewide Announcement
JOB OPPORTUNITY ANNOUNCEMENT
NUMBER: #2024-068
CLOSING DATE: October 22, 2024

OPEN TO: Anyone who meets the education and experience requirements listed in the announced title.

POSITION: Assistant Deputy Public Advocate 3

LOCATION: Office of the Public Defender
Division of Mental Health and Advocacy
Gibbsboro Regional Office
20 East Clementon Road, Suite 301
Gibbsboro, NJ 08026

SALARY: P25 (\$74,534.83 - \$105,943.75)
Salary Commensurate with Experience

DEFINITION: Under the jurisdiction of the Division of Mental Health Advocacy, assists in the performance of all professional duties necessary to the adequate representation and protection of the public interest in proceedings concerning the division; does related work.

The Division of Mental Health Advocacy provides representation at initial commitment hearings, periodic review hearings, voluntary approval hearings and placement hearings at federal, state, county, general and private psychiatric hospitals for adults and children. The Division of Mental Health Advocacy also provides legal representation of Division of Developmental Disabilities' clients at guardianship of the person hearings. Attorneys handle trials and appeals, and there is the opportunity for affirmative lawsuits on conditions of confinement.

Ideal candidates demonstrate an interest in constitutional or mental health law. Criteria shall include, but not necessarily be limited to: knowledge or legal proceedings, ability to interview clients to gather and analyze information, ability to prepare trials, motions, and legal briefs pertaining to their client's cases.

REQUIREMENTS

EDUCATION: Graduation from an accredited law school with a Juris Doctor (J.D.) Degree.

EXPERIENCE: Requires one (1) year of experience as a practicing attorney.

LICENSE: Appointees must be licensed as an Attorney-At-Law in the State of New Jersey.

RESIDENCY LAW: Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:14-7 (L. 2011, Chapter 70), also known as the "New Jersey First Act" which became effective September 1, 2011, all persons newly hired by the Executive Branch on or after the date shall have one year from the date of employment to establish, and then maintain, principal residence in the State of New Jersey. New Jersey state employees hired prior to September 1, 2011, who transferred from within the Executive Branch or from another State of New Jersey appointing authority without a break in service greater than seven days but who reside outside the State of New Jersey are not required to change their principal residence to New Jersey in order to comply with the Act.

*Special Note: This position may be eligible to work remotely for up to two days in a calendar week.

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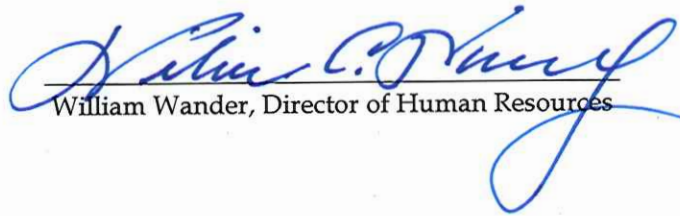
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SAME APPLICANTS: If you are applying under the NJ "SAME" program, your supporting documents (Schedule A or B letter), must be submitted along with your resume by the closing date indicated above. For more information on the SAME program visit their website at: <https://www.nj.gov/csc/same/overview/index.shtml> , email: SAME@csc.nj.gov , or call CSC at (609) 292-4144, option 3.

RESUME SUBMITTAL: Candidates possessing the requirements listed above, should forward a current resume and cover letter via email to OPD.Recruitment@opd.nj.gov (Note: Include the announcement number and title in the subject line) to:

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