

POSITION ANNOUNCEMENT
Full-Time Temporary Assistant Federal Defender

POSITION #: 2016-3-LEGAL
ANNOUNCED: February 9, 2016
CLOSES: Priority given to applications received by February 23, 2016

The Federal Public Defender for the Western District of Washington is accepting applications for a full-time temporary (a year and a day) Assistant Federal Defender to work in our Seattle office. This position provides opportunities to work in a fast-paced, challenging, diverse and rewarding environment. As a temporary year and a day full-time employee you will enjoy generous benefits and work/life programs. The Federal Public Defender operates under authority of the Criminal Justice Act to provide defense services in federal criminal cases and related matters by appointment from the court.

Requirements: The successful applicant must be a licensed attorney in good standing with a federal and state bar, have federal criminal defense trial and sentencing experience, and possess extensive writing experience.

Responsibilities: Assistant Federal Defenders provide legal representation to indigent persons charged with criminal offenses or involved in post-conviction proceedings in the United States District Court. Responsibilities include meeting with clients, family members, experts and witnesses; managing a caseload at varying stages of litigation; preparing pleadings, briefs and motions; providing representation of individuals in federal habeas corpus proceeding; developing litigation strategies and other duties as assigned. Travel to our Tacoma office and other parts of the Western District of Washington may be required.

Selection Criteria: The successful candidate will have a commitment to providing quality representation and be prepared to immediately represent clients in serious criminal and habeas corpus cases in the U.S. District and Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals. Essential for this position are these capabilities: possess a reputation for integrity, work in a team environment and possess effective organizational and prioritization skills. Federal Public Defender attorneys may not engage in the private practice of law. It is strongly preferred that the starting date for this position is no later than April 4, 2016.

This is a full-time position with federal salary and benefits based on qualifications and experience. The starting salary range is \$95,465 to \$160,200. The salary will be based on education and years of relevant experience consistent with federal guidelines and regulations. This position depends on federal funding and is subject to mandatory Electronic Funds Transfer (direct deposit). Employment will be provisional pending the successful outcome of a background fingerprint check. The job description for this position is available at <http://waw.fd.org>.

Qualified persons may apply by submitting a letter of interest, resume, and two work references (including their names, addresses and telephone numbers). This position will be open until filled. Applications may only be submitted by email to:

Michael Filipovic
Federal Public Defender
Attn: Human Resources
wawpersonnel@fd.org

NO TELEPHONE OR E-MAIL INQUIRIES PLEASE.

The Federal Public Defender is an equal opportunity employer.