
JOB ANNOUNCEMENT

MISSOURI STATE PUBLIC DEFENDER

TRIAL ATTORNEY/ASSISTANT PUBLIC DEFENDER

Basic Function: Provide legal representation to indigent clients charged with criminal offenses facing the possibility of incarceration

Job Duties: Duties to include pre-trial and trial preparation; litigating all aspects of the case through disposition at the trial court level; promoting and protecting the best interest of the client at all times; maintaining client contact by telephone, appointments, or institutional visits; keeping client apprised of investigations, negotiations, and court rulings; appearing at regularly scheduled court dockets and all appearances concerning assigned caseload; drafting motions and pleadings.

Qualifications: Must be a current member of the Missouri Bar or eligible for bar licensure in Missouri.

Geographic Locations: Visit website at www.publicdefender.mo.gov for weekly update of position vacancies.

Current Openings:

- Ava
- Bolivar
- Carthage
- Chillicothe
- Clayton
- Columbia
- Farmington
- Hannibal
- Harrisonville
- Hillsboro
- Jackson
(Cape Girardeau)
- Jefferson City
- Kennett
- Kirksville
- Moberly
- Monett
- Poplar Bluff
- Rolla
- Sedalia
- Springfield
- St. Joseph
- Troy
- Union
- West Plains

MSPD is always seeking to hire motivated, client centered attorneys to work in hard to fill jurisdictions within the state. Contact Gina Hall, Human Resources Manager, at 573-777-9977 if you are interested in learning more about rural placement opportunities.

Salary/Benefits: Starting salary is \$48,408. After one year, an APD is eligible for salary increase to \$53,688. Eligible for full state benefits including health, life, and long-term disability insurance, retirement plan, paid holidays, vacation, sick leave, CLE training, and payment of bar dues.

To Apply: An *Application for Employment* must be submitted to be considered for opening(s) and will be accepted until the position has been filled. Applicants may also provide a resume, cover letter, and writing sample. Applications can be obtained at any Public Defender office, via website at publicdefender.mo.gov or by calling (573) 777-9977, ext. 202.

Send completed applications by mail, fax, or email to:

Missouri State Public Defender
Attn: Human Resources
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