

SENIOR ASSISTANT COUNTY ATTORNEY

Dutchess County Attorney's Office Annual Salary Range: \$101,844-124,885*

(*commensurate with experience/ability)

DISTINGUISHING FEATURES OF THE CLASS:

Dutchess County Attorney's Office, located in Poughkeepsie, seeks a Senior Assistant County Attorney ("SACA") to represent the County of Dutchess as a municipal corporation. The County Attorney's Office represents the interests of the County of Dutchess in all civil litigation, counsels the departments of the executive branch of county government and is responsible for the preparation of contracts, legislation and legal opinions affecting municipal government. The County Attorney is also responsible for the prosecution of Juvenile Delinquency and Persons in Need of Supervision in Family Court. Travel in the course of a workday may be required and assignments outside of normal working hours may be given.

The work of this class is of a highly professional level calling for the exercise of independent judgment under the general supervision of the County Attorney. The incumbent must possess the ability to perform the duties of the office with a high degree of competence and commitment and must have proven an ability to provide legal counsel and advice independent of the need for direct supervision. The position may provide general direction to Assistant County Attorneys, Law Assistants, and clerical personnel.

The ideal candidate will be detail oriented, highly organized, and able to work independently. The candidate will ideally have 3-5 years of experience representing municipal or corporate clients. We seek a creative problem-solver who is eager to learn, and who possesses excellent written and oral communication skills. The successful candidate will have experience in the representation of municipal corporations.

To view a complete list of job duties, click <u>here</u>.

MINIMUM OUALIFICATIONS:

• Admission to the New York State Bar and a member in good standing.

SPECIAL REQUIREMENT:

Candidate must possess a valid New York State driver's license at the time of employment and to maintain the position.

FINGERPRINTING: A fingerprint supported background investigation is required before an appointment is made to some positions. Pursuant to New York State Executive Law, the Division of Criminal Justice Services requires that a fee accompany each such request for a search. It is due once a job offer is made and accepted by the applicant.

NOTE: This position includes a comprehensive benefit package (health insurance, NYS retirement system, Deferred Compensation Plan, comprehensive benefit time package, paid continuing legal education, paid attorney registration fee and more).

Submit a cover letter and resume to:

E-mail: rjwhispell@dutchessny.gov

OR

Dutchess County Attorney's Office ATTN: Rachel J. Whispell, Confidential Legal Secretary 22 Market Street, 5th Floor Poughkeepsie, New York 12601

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