

Assistant Federal Public Defender

Federal Public Defender - District of Delaware – Capital Habeas Unit

The Office of the Federal Public Defender for the District of Delaware is accepting applications for a full-time Assistant Federal Public Defender in its Capital Habeas Unit. The Capital Habeas Unit represents individuals sentenced to death by the State of Delaware in federal habeas corpus and ancillary proceedings. The Office also represents individuals (in §2255 proceedings) who have been sentenced to death in federal court.

The duties of this position will include researching and drafting habeas corpus petitions, motions, appellate briefs, and other pleadings; working with investigators and paralegals; field work gathering records, interviewing witnesses and conducting investigation; reviewing and analyzing extensive social history and other records; and participating in evidentiary hearings and other court appearances.

Applicants must be willing and able to work effectively in a team-based environment. Excellent research and writing skills are required, as well as strong interpersonal skills and an ability to interact with people from all different backgrounds. The successful candidate will be expected to develop and maintain extensive knowledge of current federal habeas corpus and capital punishment law, and an array of mental health and forensic science issues.

The applicant must be a member in good standing of a state bar and must be eligible for immediate admission to the Bars of the District of Delaware, the United States Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit, and the United States Supreme Court.

To apply, please send a resume, writing sample, a cover letter detailing your qualifications for the position and your commitment to providing the highest quality representation to indigent clients to:

Edson A. Bostic, Federal Public Defender
District of Delaware
800 King Street, Suite 200
Wilmington, DE 19801

Or email to: defpd@fd.org

Salary for this position will be based upon experience and education. All employees are subject to a background check and a probationary period before permanent status is achieved. Mandatory EFT (Direct-Deposit) participation for payment of net pay is a required condition of employment.

The Federal Public Defender requires employees to adhere to a Code of Conduct, which is available to applicants to review upon request.

This position will remain open until filled.

**The Federal Public Defender for the District of Delaware is an Equal Opportunity Employer
Minorities & Women are encouraged to apply**