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POSITION ANNOUNCEMENT

**Temporary Assistant Federal Public Defender- Las Cruces
2018-02**

The Federal Public Defender for the District of New Mexico is seeking two full time, experienced trial attorneys for the branch office in Las Cruces. These are temporary positions, with a term of employment not to exceed one year and one day each. Applicants must understand that there is no promise of permanent employment, and must be prepared to commit to the temporary position. More than one vacancy may be filled from this announcement. Federal salary and benefits apply.

Applicant must have one year minimum criminal law trial experience, be team-oriented, exhibit strong writing skills as well as a commitment to criminal defense for all individuals, including those who may be facing the death penalty. Spanish fluency preferred. Writing ability, federal court, and immigration law experience will be given preference. Membership in the New Mexico Bar is required within the first year of employment. The private practice of law is prohibited.

Selected applicant will be subject to a background investigation. The Federal Public Defender operates under authority of the Criminal Justice Act, 18 U.S.C. § 3006A, and provides legal representation in federal criminal cases and related matters in the federal courts. The Federal Public Defender is an equal opportunity employer. Direct deposit of pay is mandatory.

In **one** PDF document, please submit a statement of interest and detailed resume of experience, including trial and appellate work, with three references to:

Stephen P. McCue, Federal Public Defender

FDNM-HR@fd.org

Reference **2018-02** in the subject.

Writing samples will be required only from those selected for interview.

Applications must be received by February 2, 2018. Position will remain open until filled and is subject to the availability of funding.

**No phone calls please. Submissions not following this format will not be considered.
Only those selected for interview will be contacted.**