

FEDERAL PUBLIC DEFENDER - DISTRICT OF OREGON
ASSISTANT FEDERAL PUBLIC DEFENDER / BRANCH CHIEF COUNSEL
EUGENE, OR

The Federal Public Defender for the District of Oregon is accepting applications from experienced criminal defense attorneys for an Assistant Federal Public Defender/Branch Chief Counsel to lead our Eugene office.

Applicant must be capable of immediately undertaking the defense of major criminal cases in the United States District Court, as well as in the Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit. Applicant must be a graduate of an accredited law school and an active member in good standing of the bar in any state, territory or possession. **Applicant must have recent, substantial federal criminal litigation experience, trials and negotiations;** be team-oriented; able to supervise other attorneys and support staff; exhibit strong writing skills; as well as a commitment to criminal defense for all individuals, including those who may be facing the death penalty. Writing ability, federal court, immigration law experience, and management and leadership experience will be given preference. Spanish-language skills are also relevant for this position.

Starting salary commensurate with experience. Compensation also includes federal government employee benefits: paid federal holidays, paid vacation, paid sick leave, health and life insurance, retirement, and the Thrift Savings Plan. This position is “at-will,” excepted service, and does not carry the tenure rights of the competitive Civil Service. Salary is paid biweekly, payable only by direct deposit.

The Eugene office of the Federal Public Defender – District of Oregon is a small, collegial office with a good professional relationship with the US Attorney’s office and the court. Home to the University of Oregon Ducks and the University of Oregon Law School, Eugene is known as “Track Town USA,” and is very bicycle and runner friendly. Residents of Eugene have excellent access to outdoor recreation activities: rock climbing and excellent hiking are within bicycling distance, the Cascade Mountains and Oregon Coast are a short drive away, as is the world-class fly-fishing found on the McKenzie river.

If you have a positive attitude, enjoy a challenge, and want to lead an energetic criminal defense team, please e-mail a letter of interest, resume, writing sample, and three references in a single .pdf format document to the attention of:

Travis Southworth-Neumeyer, Personnel Administrator
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Subject: AFD/Chief Counsel - Eugene

Open until filled. Application review will begin on October 31st, interviews are expected to take place in late November / Early December in Portland, OR. All responses will remain confidential. Only candidates in consideration for this position will be contacted.

No phone calls please.
The Federal Public Defender is an Equal Opportunity Employer.
Women and Minorities are encouraged to apply.

Hiring is provisional pending the successful completion of a background check and investigation.