



Kansas Federal Public Defender

Position Announcement

Position: Habeas Research & Writing Specialist **Location:** Topeka, or
Deadline: September 30, 2019; open until filled **Kansas City, Kansas**

Who We Are

We work to keep people out of prison through representation, collaboration, and education. Our clients are indigent defendants charged with federal crimes ranging from drug crimes to white-collar crimes to terrorism. We practice holistic defense lawyering to protect our clients' rights and champion their humanity at every stage of the criminal case and beyond.

The Kansas FPD seeks to attract and retain a high-performing and diverse workforce in an environment that promotes dynamic teamwork, flexibility, and fairness.

Join Our Team

We need an attorney to fill a full-time, temporary appointment (one year and one day, with the possibility of an extension) as a Research & Writing Specialist in our Topeka or Kansas City, Kansas office. Starting salary is JSP 11/1 at \$61,605 to JSP 15/1 at \$122,048, depending on experience, and includes generous federal benefits.

Applicants must possess strong writing, oral advocacy ability and litigation experience in criminal law especially in post-conviction litigation or appellate litigation.

The Job

The Research & Writing Specialist will be assigned post-conviction litigation for indigent individuals challenging convictions and sentences. The habeas research and writing specialist will examine the records of clients' cases, do careful research and writing to support a wide variety of legal claims. The non-capital habeas research and writing specialist will undertake factual investigation as needed; support evidentiary hearings in the United States District Court and the United States Court of Appeals for the Tenth Circuit. The non-capital habeas research and writing specialist will work closely with members of the FPD's other practice groups, including the trial and appeals unites, to provide the highest level of representation to our clients.

You Must

- Be a US citizen or eligible to work in the United States;
- Be a graduate of an accredited law school;
- Be licensed to practice in the federal courts;
- Be in good standing in all states and courts where you are admitted to practice;
- Have some criminal-defense or civil-rights experience;

The Kansas Federal Defender is an Equal Opportunity Employer. Women and minorities encouraged to apply.

Email: KSFPD@fd.org / On the web: <http://www.ks.f.d.org>
Vacancy Announcement: 2019-06 Posted: August 26, 2019

Pass an FBI background check; and
Not engage in the private practice of law while working for the FPD.

It Would Be Great If You

Have a proven commitment to our mission;
Have experience in habeas or other post-conviction litigation; and/or
Have experience working in or with the federal courts.

Equal Opportunity Employer

The Federal Public Defender for the District of Kansas is an equal opportunity employer. No personnel actions or practices (including hiring, termination, promotion, demotion, advancement or terms and conditions of employment) are based on an individual's race, creed, color, ethnicity, national origin, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, age, height, weight, veteran status, military obligations, or marital status.

Apply Now

Please send your letter of interest, resume, three professional references, and a recent writing sample in a single pdf document to ksfpd@fd.org, preference given to those resumes received by September 30, 2019. No phone calls, please.