

**POSITION ANNOUNCEMENT  
ASSISTANT FEDERAL DEFENDER**

Federal Defenders of the Middle District of Georgia, Inc. (FDMDGA) is seeking applications to fill an Assistant Federal Defender position for its Branch office in Columbus, GA. FDMDGA is a nonprofit corporation, funded by the Administrative Office of the United States Courts. The organization is not an agency of the federal government and staff members are not federal employees.

Assistant Federal Defenders represent those charged with criminal offenses and in ancillary matters in the United States District Court, the United States Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit and the United States Supreme Court who are financially unable to retain counsel. The position requires an applicant to defend persons charged in major criminal cases in the United States District Court and the Eleventh Circuit Court of Appeals.

FDMDGA is a client-centered, holistic organization. Applicants must not only have criminal trial experience, knowledge of federal criminal trial practice and excellent research, writing and oral advocacy skills, they must also possess compassion for those persons we represent and be self-starters. This office prides itself on its reputation of integrity and zealous representation of those who have no voice. Fluency in Spanish is a plus. This office is committed to a diverse staff.

Applicants should be graduates of accredited law schools, an active member in good standing of the bar of any state, and eligible to practice in a United States District Court. Assistant Federal Defenders may not engage in the private practice of law.

This is a full-time position with salary and benefits based on qualifications and experience. Salary is on a scale equivalent to those of Assistant United States Attorneys. Applicants must be United States citizens or eligible to work in the United States, must possess a valid driver's license, a reliable automobile and vehicle liability insurance. The ability to work flexible hours and extensive travel are mandatory. Offers are subject to satisfactory background investigation and final hiring is contingent upon both the appropriation of funding and approval by the funding source.

Resumes will be accepted until the position is filled. Applications should contain a cover letter expressing interest, resume, three references, and two recent writing samples [one an advocacy piece and the other an explanatory writing to a lay person (i.e. a letter explaining a legal concept to a client)] to:

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**gamfd\_applicants@fd.org**

The Federal Defenders of the Middle District of Georgia is an Equal Opportunity Employer and operates under the authority of the Criminal Justice Act, 18 U.S.C. Section 3006A, to provide defense services in federal criminal cases related matters in the federal courts.