Position Announcement

Position: Assistant Federal Public Defender  
Location: Kansas City, MO

Deadline: August 31, 2021; open until filled  
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Who We Are
We work to keep people who are charged with federal crimes out of prison. Our clients are people who cannot afford private counsel. We take a holistic approach, designed to protect our clients' rights, and center their humanity at every stage of the criminal case. The Western Missouri FPD is a high-energy workplace that promotes diversity, collaboration, and fairness.

Join Our Team
We are recruiting a full-time attorney who will be dedicated to all stages of the criminal proceedings from magistrate court through the Supreme Court. This is an “Excepted Appointment,” and salary will be based on experience. Additional compensation includes a highly competitive federal benefits package, with health and life insurance, retirement, and a Thrift Savings Plan.

The Job
An Assistant Federal Public Defender is dedicated to defending the client at all stages of proceedings, from magistrate court through the Supreme Court. Our attorneys are zealous advocates of the highest caliber. A qualified candidate must be a graduate of an accredited law school, admitted to practice in good standing before the highest court of any state, and authorized to practice in the U.S. District Court for the Western District of Missouri by the date of entrance on duty. Extensive travel, in Western Missouri and throughout the continental United States, may be required. Applicants must be a U.S. Citizen or eligible to work in the United States.

It Would Be Great If You
- Have a proven commitment to criminal defense, including pretrial motion, trial, and sentencing mitigation experience.
- Have a reputation for personal integrity and hard work.
- Have a team-oriented approach to criminal defense, valuing the input of every member of the team, including the client.

Equal Opportunity Employer
The Federal Public Defender for the Western District of Missouri 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 or parental status.

Apply Now
Please send your letter of interest, resume, and three professional references in a single pdf document to fpdmow@gmail.com. Preference will be given to resumes received by August 31, 2021. No phone calls, please.