

POSITION ANNOUNCEMENT 20-02
Investigator - Trial Unit (Spanish-Speaking)
Office of the Federal Public Defender
District of Arizona
Phoenix or Tucson

THE FEDERAL PUBLIC DEFENDER for the District of Arizona is accepting applications for the position of a full-time investigator to be stationed in Phoenix or Tucson. More than one position may be filled from this announcement. The Federal Public Defender operates under authority of Title 18, United States Code, Section 3006A(g)(2)(A), to provide federal criminal defense services by court appointment to individuals unable to afford counsel.

Requirements. To qualify a person must be a high school graduate or equivalent and have at least three years of general experience and three years of specialized experience; some higher education may be substituted for specialized experience. Bachelor's degree preferred. The applicant should possess the ability to write clearly and present complex and interrelated concepts and ideas. U.S. Citizenship and heavy and extended travel is required. **Spanish language fluency is required.** Applicants selected for interview will be tested for Spanish fluency. Employment is subject to a satisfactory background investigation.

Duties. The duties of an investigator include case preparation, obtaining and reviewing law enforcement records, interviewing clients and witnesses, and meeting with experts. Other duties include social history investigations, locating and interviewing potential penalty phase witnesses, identifying factors in a client's background that require expert evaluations, consulting with attorneys to develop guilt and penalty phase theories of the case and case strategy, and working with clients and a client's family while the case is pending.

Salary and Benefits. The starting salary for the investigator position will be fixed commensurate with the experience and qualifications of the applicant within a range from JSP 11, Step 1, to JSP 13, Step 1, and currently yielding \$62,780 to \$91,718 per annum. The position is in the excepted service and does not carry the tenure rights of the competitive Civil Service. The position does include regular Government employee benefits including health and life insurance, retirement, and the Thrift Savings Plan. Salary is payable only by Electronic Funds Transfer (direct deposit). All positions are at will and are subject to the availability of funds.

How to Apply. Qualified persons may apply by sending via e-mail a letter of interest and résumé to the Personnel Administrator, Federal Public Defender, District of Arizona, at HR@fpdaz.org. **Please state your desired location: Phoenix, Tucson or either.** (Letter of interest and references must be included). Position announced October 15, 2019; open until filled.

The Federal Public Defender is an equal-opportunity employer. Women, minorities and individuals with disabilities are encouraged to apply. For applicants with disabilities, this organization provides reasonable accommodations, which are decided on a case-by-case basis.