

**FEDERAL PUBLIC DEFENDER,
DISTRICT OF NEVADA**

POSITION ANNOUNCEMENT

Assistant Federal Public Defender – Special Projects Unit

The Federal Public Defender, District of Nevada is accepting applications for the position of Assistant Federal Public Defender in the Special Projects Unit, located in Las Vegas. The Special Projects Unit litigates and advocates for clients in collaboration with other units in the office. The Special Projects Unit currently represents immigration detainees in federal habeas corpus proceedings brought under 28 U.S.C. § 2241.

Requirements: Applicants must possess strong writing, oral advocacy ability, and litigation experience in at least one of the following areas: criminal law (trial, post-conviction, or appellate litigation), immigration law, or federal court civil litigation. Applicants must be team-oriented and have at least 2-3 years of relevant legal experience.

Selection Criteria: Successful candidates will demonstrate a strong commitment to defending the constitutional rights of indigent persons. Applicants must demonstrate a desire to litigate emerging and complex legal issues and be adept at practicing in multiple areas of criminal defense.

Applicants seeking to work remotely will be considered, but preference will be given to those who live in (or will relocate to) Las Vegas. Those with federal clerkship experience are encouraged to apply. Fluency in Spanish is preferred but not required.

How to Apply: Qualified individuals should submit a single PDF that contains a letter of interest, resume, writing sample, and three professional references. This position will remain open until filled with preference given to those who apply by October 23, 2026. Only applicants selected for an interview will be contacted. Please do not call or email regarding the status of your application.

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The Federal Public Defender is an equal opportunity employer. Applicants must be a United States citizen, or a person authorized to work in the United States and receive compensation from this agency. Employment is subject to a satisfactory background investigation, including an FBI name and fingerprint check.