

Division of Economic Justice

Taxpayer Protection Bureau – New York City

Assistant Attorney General

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Application Deadline is September 20, 2024

The Office of the New York State Attorney General's <u>Taxpayer Protection Bureau</u> (TPB) is seeking an experienced litigator who is entrepreneurial, creative, and motivated to lead and pursue complex civil investigations and litigation involving fraud committed against New York State and its local governments.

TPB is a close-knit, collegial team doing complex and high-value work for the State of New York by handling whistleblower cases and investigations under the New York False Claims Act. TPB's investigations regularly involve coordination with other state and federal agencies and with whistleblowers, who file *qui tam* actions under the federal and New York False Claims Acts. Frauds investigated by TPB include large tax frauds; frauds involving government contracts for goods or services; frauds involving government investments; and frauds involving government-funded social programs.

Over the past decade, TPB has successfully recovered hundreds of millions of dollars for New York taxpayers. Several recent matters of note include a \$105 million settlement with a hedge fund manager who evaded New York taxes, a settlement with a construction company that violated New York State diversity requirements for public projects by falsely certifying its use of women and minority owned businesses (MWBEs); recovery of \$36 million from a major fashion retailer that illegally kept unused gift card money and making these funds accessible to affected-consumers; and securing \$6 million from a utility giant for misreporting electricity usage that funds a program to subsidize heat pump modernization for low and moderate-income homeowners.

The Bureau provides an excellent professional platform for attorneys to develop and refine their first-chair professional skills in both investigations and enforcement actions. Such skills include taking testimony, managing evidence, performing case analysis, interacting directly with opposing counsel, settlement negotiation, motion practice, and other oral and written advocacy.

Qualifications:

- At least three (3) years of relevant post-graduate legal experience is required; however, TPB will also consider well-qualified applicants who have fewer years of post-graduate experience;
- Experience in complex civil litigation and/or white-collar investigations;
- Familiarity with practice in both federal and New York state courts;
- Strong writing, research, analytical, teamwork, and organizational skills; and
- Experience with the False Claims Act and/or tax matters is a plus.

Applicants must reside in (or intend to soon become a resident of) New York State and be admitted to practice law in New York State. In addition, the Public Officers Law requires that OAG attorneys be citizens of the United States. A two (2) year commitment upon being hired is a condition of employment.

As an employee of the OAG, you will join a team of dedicated individuals who work to serve the people of our State through a wide variety of occupations. To learn more about Assistant Attorney General compensation, please visit the following page: https://ag.ny.gov/sites/default/files/assistant_attorney_general_compensation.pdf. We offer a comprehensive New York State benefits package, including paid leave, health, dental, vision, and retirement

benefits, and family-friendly policies. Additionally, the OAG offers a robust Workplace Flexibilities Program with multiple options for employees, including telecommuting (up to two days per week) and alternative work schedules.

Candidates from diverse backgrounds are encouraged to apply.

The OAG is an equal opportunity employer and is committed to workplace diversity.

HOW TO APPLY

Applications must be submitted online. To apply, please click on the following link: TPB_NYC_AAG_3715

To ensure consideration, applications must be received by close of business September 20, 2024.

Applicants must be prepared to submit a complete application consisting of the following:

- Cover Letter
 - You may address your letter to the Legal Recruitment Unit.
 - Indicate why you are interested in this position and what makes you a strong candidate. You may
 wish to include information about what life experiences you will bring to the position that will
 enhance Bureau's ability to better serve the diverse population of this state.
- Resume
- Legal Writing Sample
- List of three (3) references
 - Only submit professional references, supervisory references are preferred.
 - For each reference, indicate the nature and duration of your relationship.
 - Include contact information and email addresses for each reference.
 - Please note that your references will not be contacted until after you interview for the position.

If you have questions regarding a position with the OAG and the application process or need assistance with submitting your application, please contact Legal Recruitment via email at recruitment@ag.ny.gov or phone at 212-416-8080.

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