



Division of Social Justice
Environmental Protection Bureau – New York City
Assistant Attorney General
Reference No. EPB_NYC_AAG_3403

Application Deadline is January 21, 2022

The New York State Office of the Attorney General's [Environmental Protection Bureau](#) is seeking a litigator to serve in its Affirmative Litigation Section in the New York City office. This position involves representing the State in environmental, public health, and energy matters in litigation before federal and state courts, as well as practice before administrative agencies. The Affirmative Litigation Section enforces state and federal environmental laws that protect New Yorkers' rights to clean air, clean water, and safe and healthy communities, and conducts investigations into violations of those laws. Recent cases the section has litigated include the disposal of hazardous debris from New York City construction sites in a public park in a low-income minority community on Long Island; protections for farmworkers and their families from pesticide exposures; and investigations into environmental health areas, such as toys containing lead and lead paint in residential buildings. Attorneys in the section also submit comments to the EPA on proposed rulemakings and have worked on the settlement to decommission and safely clean up the Indian Point nuclear power plant. The Bureau also defends state agencies alleged to have violated environmental laws, including the State Environmental Quality Review Act.

Applicants should have **at least three (3) years of experience litigating in federal and state courts**, including performing several of the following: writing briefs, performing document review, conducting depositions or other witness examinations, appearing in court, and conducting or participating in settlement negotiations. Experience litigating environmental and energy cases and knowledge of state and federal environmental statutes is not required.

Applicants must possess excellent research, writing, and analytical skills, and have the ability to develop and complete litigation and policy initiatives and filings in a timely manner. Ideal candidates will have litigated affirmative and/or defensive cases and have experience synthesizing information and building cases concerning public policy.

In addition, applicants must demonstrate a commitment to public service and the ability to work well with members of the public, scientific and technical staff, expert and fact witnesses, administrative agencies, and other members of a litigation team. Applicants should also describe any experience with electronic discovery and trial preparation platforms.

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 attorneys in the Office be citizens of the United States. A two (2) year commitment upon being hired is a condition of employment.

OAG employees serve more than 20 million state residents through a wide variety of occupations. We offer a comprehensive New York State benefits package, including paid leave, health, dental, vision and retirement benefits, and family-friendly policies. As an employee of the OAG, you will join a team of dedicated individuals who work to serve the people of our State.

Per Office of the Attorney General policy, confirmation of full vaccination status is a condition of employment for this position. If you are not fully vaccinated, you will be required to provide negative COVID-19 test results at a frequency determined by the agency. The agency will consider religious and reasonable accommodations. For more information, please contact recruitment@ag.ny.gov.

*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 are being received online. To apply, please click on the following link: [EPB NYC AAG 3403](#)

To ensure consideration, applications must be received by close of business on January 21, 2022.

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

- [Cover Letter](#)
 - You may address to Legal Recruitment.
 - Indicate why you are interested in this position and what makes you the best candidate.
- [Resume](#)
- [Writing Sample](#)
- **List of three (3) [references](#)**
 - Only submit professional references, supervisory references are preferred.
 - Indicate the nature and duration of your relationship to each reference.
 - Include contact information and email addresses for each reference.
 - Please note, 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 you need assistance with submitting your application, please contact Legal Recruitment via email at recruitment@ag.ny.gov or phone at 212-416-8080.

For more information about the OAG, please visit our website: ag.ny.gov