



Kansas Federal Public Defender

Position: Assistant Federal Public Defender
Location: Topeka, Kansas
Deadline: Open until filled; priority to applications received by November 27, 2020

The Federal Public Defender for the District of Kansas seeks an attorney to join our branch office in Topeka, Kansas. Our office provides high-quality, holistic representation to people charged with federal crimes who cannot afford to hire an attorney. We operate under the authority of the Criminal Justice Act.

Assistant Federal Public Defenders zealously and professionally represent clients in a fast-paced, challenging, diverse, and rewarding work environment. Responsibilities include managing an extensive caseload; working with clients; interviewing witnesses and family members; developing release plans; reviewing discovery; preparing pleadings, motions, and briefs; developing litigation strategies; working with experts; advising CJA panel attorneys; and in-court litigation through all stages of a criminal case. Some travel is necessary. Attorneys in our office may not engage in the private practice of law.

Qualifications:

Required: (1) graduation from an accredited law school; (2) admission to practice in good standing before the highest court of a state or the District of Columbia; (3) admission to practice in the US District Court for the District of Kansas by the time of entrance on duty; and (4) US citizenship or work authorization.

We are looking for applicants with a demonstrated commitment to holistic indigent defense, and an ability to work well in a team environment. We value your court experience, your creativity, and your superior research and writing skills. We are willing to train the right candidate and will consider attorneys who have recently completed judicial clerkships or fellowships.

Salary and Benefits:

The salary range is commensurate with experience. The position is full-time with federal benefits, including health and life insurance, retirement, and the Thrift Savings Plan. Salary is payable only by direct deposit. A final offer of employment is subject to funding and a background check.

How to Apply:

Apply by **emailing** a letter of interest, resume, three references, and a recent writing sample in a single pdf document to **KSFPD@fd.org**. Open until filled; priority consideration given to applications received by November 27, 2020. No phone calls.

The Kansas Federal Defender is an Equal Opportunity Employer. Women and minorities encouraged to apply.

Email: KSFPD@fd.org / On the web: www.ks.fد.org

Vacancy Announcement: October 27, 2020.