



Position Opening:

Office of the Special Prosecutor, Republic of Palau: Special Prosecutor

The Office of the Special Prosecutor (OSP) is an independent agency in the Republic of Palau tasked with investigating and prosecuting government corruption and related crime. While the statutory authority and jurisdiction of the OSP is broad, the office focuses its efforts on high-priority public integrity matters. In this endeavor, the OSP works closely with the Office of the Public Auditor, the Financial Intelligence Unit, the Ethics Commission, and the Ministry of Justice. The OSP also works in cooperation with international partners.

The Office of the President of the Republic of Palau is currently seeking a qualified attorney to serve as Special Prosecutor for the Republic of Palau. The Special Prosecutor position is filled by an appointment process. A candidate for Special Prosecutor is appointed by the President of the Republic of Palau, confirmed by the Senate of the Palau National Congress and, once appointed, subject only to for-cause removal by the President. The Special Prosecutor is expected to serve a term of five years.

The Special Prosecutor manages a small but dedicated staff of criminal investigators, administrative assistants, and assistant prosecuting attorneys. To be considered, a candidate must possess a J.D. from an ABA accredited law school, and active bar membership in good standing (any U.S. jurisdiction). The ideal candidate will have a strong academic background and a demonstrated ability to produce high quality written work. A successful candidate must be able to work effectively with a diverse team and be able to analyze complex legal issues. A background in criminal law is required, preferably with a focus on public integrity cases and white collar crime. Experience living abroad is helpful but not required. Fluency in the Palauan language is helpful but not required.

The Republic of Palau is renowned for its outdoor life, with a warm tropical climate and excellent fishing, scuba diving, kayaking, and snorkeling. Located in Micronesia, approximately 600 miles east of the Philippines, Palau enjoys regular direct flights to Guam, Hong Kong, Japan, Korea, Macau, Taiwan, and the Philippines.

Salary commensurate with experience. Compensation includes travel to Palau from point of recruitment, reimbursement for some moving expenses, and housing stipend.

Applications will be accepted on a rolling basis, beginning April 20, 2018, and until the position is filled. Applicants are encouraged to apply by May 07, 2018 for first-round consideration. Thereafter, applications will be considered on a bi-weekly basis.

To apply, please submit resume, cover letter, and writing sample in PDF format to: legalcounsel.oop@gmail.com. Applicants should be prepared to submit references upon request.