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Environmental Crimes Prosecutor, Office of Special Prosecutions - Anchorage, AK

The Office of Special Prosecutions is recruiting to fill the position of Environmental Crimes Prosecutor. This is a statewide position that works with the Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) as a member of the Environmental Crimes Unit (ECU).

The Environmental Crimes Prosecutor is responsible for prosecuting cases statewide that are referred by the ECU, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, and the Alaska State Troopers for violations of state laws regulating hazardous waste disposal, oil spills, air and water pollution, mining, forestry, water use, seafood processing, and other environmental and human-health related issues. The Environmental Crimes Prosecutor is also responsible for animal welfare cases referred by the State Veterinarian. The cases typically involve complex regulatory schemes and large amounts of business-related evidence and documents.

The Environmental Crimes Prosecutor is typically involved with an investigation from its outset, providing legal advice to the lead investigative agency. The individual is responsible for screening cases and making charging decisions, presenting cases to the grand jury, motion practice, trial prosecution, responding to post-conviction relief applications, sentence appeals, and petitions to revoke probation. The Environmental Crimes Prosecutor also may be called on to provide legal guidance to DEC's regulatory programs on matters of criminal enforcement and case development.

This individual works closely with her/his counterparts in the U.S. Attorney's Office. The Environmental Crimes Prosecutor also represents the Attorney General's Office on the Alaska Environmental Crimes Task Force, an interagency federal-state task force dedicated to environmental crimes enforcement. This individual also serves as the criminal representative for the State of Alaska for the Western States Project, a non-profit organization dedicated to supporting and enhancing the environmental programs of its members, consisting of Western U.S. states and Canadian provinces. For more information about the Environmental Crimes Unit, please visit the Alaska Department of Law website at: http://law.alaska.gov/department/criminal/criminal div.html.

Salaries are determined by the legal background and experience of the selected candidate with a starting range between approximately \$64,000 - \$89,000. Promotions are provided as certain experience levels are reached. Regular salary increases are provided every 1-2 years. A comprehensive state benefits package is provided, including health, dental, vision and life insurance; a PERS retirement account in which the state matches pre-tax contributions of up to 5% of your gross eligible salary; a generous Supplemental Benefits System (SBS) in which the state provides a 6.13% match of your gross pay (this system takes the place of social security in Alaska); options for deferred compensation; 21 days of personal leave for new employees, which increases over time; and assistance with moving expenses.

Please visit the Alaska Department of Law website for application instructions: http://www.law.alaska.gov/department/jobs.html.