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Job title: General Counsel I- \*\*revised salary as of 09/01/24

**Assistant General Counsel** 

Posting: 0104-24

Opening Date: January 11, 2024

**Closing Date: Until filled** 

Location: EOT- 920 Colorado, Austin, TX 78701 Yearly Salary: B26- \$81,837.00- \$88,200.00

\*\*salary listed includes a state legislative salary increase effective 9/1/24

Division: General Counsel Remote Work: Hybrid

## **Job Description**

The Assistant General Counsel is selected by and responsible to the General Counsel and Deputy General Counsel and reports to the Deputy General Counsel. The Assistant General Counsel represents the Commission and Department, performing moderately complex legal, administrative and analytical work which involves interpreting laws and rules, preparing and/or approving legal documents, rendering legal advice and counsel, drafting administrative rules, and delivering accurate legal advice to the agency and/or commission to ensure prompt and effective actions involving the provision of legal services and administrative rulemaking. Work is performed under general supervision, with limited latitude for the use of initiative and independent judgment.

### **Essential Duties**

- Delivers effective, accurate and efficient legal advice to the agency on the interpretation, application, and enforcement
  of agency laws and rules. Provides legal advice to the agency on policy decision making and identifies appropriate legal
  solutions and input on the development of agency programs and procedures.
- Drafts and reviews administrative rules and policies for the statutory areas regulated by the agency.
- Assists in the representation of the agency in litigation or potential litigation brought by or against the agency.
- Reviews and advises on the interpretation, application and enforcement of laws and regulations affecting Departmental administration and operations, its policies, and the policies and operations of the Commission and advisory boards.
- Assists in the preparation and/or approval of final interagency contracts, documents of Department purchases, sales or leases of property, and other contractual obligations of the Department.
- Advises and provides guidance to the Texas Commission of Licensing and Regulation, the executive office, and agency staff on pending hearings and cases, bills and laws affecting the agency, open government regulations, the agency's administrative rules, ethics questions, and sensitive legal matters.
- Represents the Office of the General Counsel before the Commission, and other internal and external groups, regarding section, program and Agency issues.
- Assists in the preparation and monitoring of the Department's Strategic Plan, appropriation requests, budget, and performance reports.
- Drafts and reviews bills and amendments for legislative consideration.
- May provide training on various legal issues to Commissioners and/or agency staff.
- May assist more senior attorneys with performing legal research and drafting legal documents.
- Complies with Division and/or Agency training requirements.
- Demonstrates a spirit of teamwork, offering positive and constructive ideas, encouragement, and support to other members of the staff and team, while upholding the Agency's core values.
- Keeps management appropriately informed of ongoing activity and critical matters affecting the operation and well-being
  of the Agency.
- Adheres to all Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation Personnel Policies and performs related work as assigned.

#### **Minimum Requirements**

Graduation from an accredited law school with an L.L.B. or J.D. degree. Member in good standing with the State Bar of Texas. Three years progressively responsible experience in administrative law required. Administrative rulemaking experience preferred.

Military Occupation Specialty Code:

Army 27A, Navy 250X, Marine 4402, Air Force 51JX

#### Remarks

The successful candidate will have: Knowledge of general legal principles practices, and proceedings; and of laws, rules and regulations relating to TDLR; of the Administrative Procedures Act, Public Information Act, Open Meetings Act and Texas Rules of Evidence and Civil Procedure. Skill in identifying problems and reviewing related information to develop and evaluate options and implement solutions; in using logic and reasoning to identify the strengths and weaknesses of alternative solutions, conclusions, or approaches to problems; and in reconciling differences. Excellent written and oral communication skills, ability to prepare legal documents; to conduct research; to interpret and apply laws; to use a commonsense approach to analyze, evaluate and summarize legal issues and findings; present legal issues, findings and recommendations in a clear and concise manner to agency personnel and other individuals; develop creative and innovative solutions to legal questions; exhibit a management style that motivates staff to levels of high productivity; and interact tactfully and effectively with internal and external customers.

# **How to Apply**

Applications may be downloaded through TDLR's website https: <a href="www.tdlr.texas.gov/employ.htm">www.tdlr.texas.gov/employ.htm</a>. Only Email or fax applications accepted. Email <a href="https://human.resources@tdlr.texas.gov">https://human.resources@tdlr.texas.gov</a> or fax 512.475.3377. Incomplete applications will not be considered. A resume in lieu of application will be rejected. Additionally, an application with "see resume" within the summary of experience is considered incomplete and will be rejected. Submit a copy of degree if in lieu of experience/skills requirement. To receive Military Employment Preference for any position, submit a copy of the DD214 or DD1300 with application.

Only interviewed applicants will receive notice of the final disposition of the selection process.

This job is not covered by the Fair Labor Standards Act (FLSA).

AN EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER

TDLR provides a total compensation package that enables us to attract, motivate, and retain highly skilled and talented employees, including a merit system, full use of salary ranges, performance awards, retention and recruitment bonuses. TDLR participates in E-Verify and will provide the Social Security Administration (SSA) and, if necessary, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), with information from each new employee's Form I-9 to confirm work authorization.

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), TDLR will provide reasonable accommodation during the hiring and selection process for individuals with a disability. If you need assistance completing the application, contact TDLR Human Resources at 512-463-7184. If you are contacted for an interview and need accommodation