

**GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
Office of the Attorney General**

TRIAL ATTORNEY

**Civil Litigation Division, Section IV
Office of the Attorney General for the District of Columbia**

Vacancy Announcement #15-003

Salary range: LS-12/13 \$73,869-\$87,849*

The Civil Litigation Division of the Office of the Attorney General for the District of Columbia is seeking a trial attorney for Section IV, one of its litigating Sections. The four Sections of the Division defend the District of Columbia in civil lawsuits seeking money damages or individual injunctive relief. The Division defends cases in both the Superior Court of the District of Columbia and the United States District Court for the District of Columbia. The cases primarily are in the areas of personal injury (automobile, police false arrest/assault, medical malpractice, slip and fall, and inmate claims), federal constitutional civil rights claims (First Amendment claims regarding freedom of religion, the right to demonstrate and protest in public areas, whistle blower claims), employment discrimination (sexual harassment, discrimination based upon race, gender, or sexual orientation) and special education services litigation in the federal court.

The incumbent also will defend the District of Columbia and its executive level agencies, officials, and employees in large complex constitutional litigation brought against the District challenging its laws, regulations, policies and practices.

The incumbent will file pleadings, conduct and respond to written and oral discovery, file dispositive motions, negotiate settlements, advise agency personnel on policies and practices challenged in litigation, and conduct trials and contested hearings. There is substantial contact with client agencies. The position requires knowledge of municipal law, litigation experience, or prior experience handling special education cases.

The successful candidate must have a law degree and be a member of the District of Columbia Bar or be eligible to waive into the District of Columbia Bar and be admitted to that Bar within 360 days of appointment to the position. Candidates for this position should have strong writing and research skills and have at least one year of experience handling personal injury, civil rights, employment discrimination, whistleblower or special education cases in the United States District Court or the Superior Court of the District of Columbia.

*** Salary in this range will be based on applicable rules, regulations and guidelines.**

The ideal candidate must have a law degree, excellent research and writing skills, experience in conducting discovery, including expert discovery, and all aspects of pretrial and trial practice. Experience in litigating personal injury, civil rights, employment discrimination, whistleblower

or special education cases is highly desirable. Prior judicial clerkship experience is highly desirable but not required. Jury trial experience also is desirable but not required.

This position is inside the Collective Bargaining Unit. Candidates for the position will be subject to a background check.

Open until filled. **Screening of applications will begin on January 16, 2015.**

NOTICE OF NON-DISCRIMINATION

In accordance with the D.C. Human Rights Act of 1977, as amended, D.C. Official Code § 2-1401.01 *et seq.*, the District of Columbia does not discriminate on the basis of actual or perceived: race, color, religion, national origin, sex, age, marital status, personal appearance, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, familial status, family responsibilities, genetic information, matriculation, political affiliation, disability, source of income, or place of residence or business. Sexual harassment is a form of sex discrimination which is prohibited by the Act. In addition, harassment based on any of the above protected categories is prohibited by the act. Discrimination in violation of the Act will not be tolerated. Violators will be subjected to disciplinary action.