

WICHITA COUNTY

Job Announcement



Posting Number: 2017-006

POSITION: Assistant District Attorney – Civil Division

LOCATION: Criminal District Attorney’s Office
Wichita County Courthouse

SUPERVISOR: Criminal District Attorney / First Assistant District Attorney

HOURS: 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m., Monday – Friday (Overtime may be required.)

SALARY: \$59,385.71 - \$65,645.52 Annually, Plus Benefits

POSTING DATE: June 23, 2017

CLOSING DATE: July 10, 2016 or Until Filled

► **GENERAL DESCRIPTION:**

Serves as an Assistant District Attorney in the Wichita County Criminal District Attorney’s Office – Civil Division.

► **ESSENTIAL DUTIES:**

- Provides legal advice to County elected officials and department heads.
- Reviews and negotiates contracts on behalf of Wichita County.
- Represents Wichita County in administrative unemployment hearings before the Texas Workforce Commission.
- Provides advice and defends litigation on behalf of the County in employment matters.
- Defends Civil Rights Act, Texas Tort Claims Act and various other civil claims asserted against Wichita County, its elected officials and employees, including inmate litigation.
- Litigates expunctions and non-disclosures.
- Performs other general civil legal work and special tasks as delegated by the Wichita County Criminal District Attorney.
- Complies with and enforces the rules, regulations and policies of the Criminal District Attorney’s office and the oral and written directives of his/her supervisors, and the Texas Code of Professional Responsibility.
- Prepares civil pleadings and discovery in state and federal trial and appellate courts.
- Reviews and approves mental health commitments and appears for hearings.

- Prepares pleadings and appears for hearings in bond forfeiture matters.
- Must be of extremely high integrity and professional demeanor and demonstrate proper respect to the court at all times.
- Must be organized and pay close attention to detail.
- Performs all other job related duties as assigned.

► **MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS / QUALIFICATIONS:**

- Must be a graduate of an A.B.A. accredited law school.
- Must have a license to practice law in the State of Texas and be in good standing with the State and local bar associations.
- Must have knowledge of the principals and methods of legal research.
- Must have the ability to analyze facts and case precedents and present them effectively in court.
- Must be able to conduct self in a professional manner and develop and maintain good working relationships with visitors, clients, co-workers, attorneys, judges and County officials.
- Must pass a pre-employment physical exam and drug test paid by Wichita County.
- Must be able to pass a thorough background investigation conducted by Wichita County.

► **CONDITIONS OF EMPLOYMENT:**

- Must be able to occasionally lift and/or move loads weighing up to fifty (50) pounds.
- The Criminal District Attorney’s Office is a non-smoking environment.
- Interviews will be conducted as applications are received.

► **APPLY TO:**

To be considered for employment, please submit your completed Wichita County Employment Application, cover letter, resume, transcript and writing sample to:

**Office of the Criminal District Attorney
Wichita County, Texas
ATTN: Holly Lane
900 7th Street, Suite 352
Wichita Falls, Texas 76301**

EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER: It is the policy of Wichita County to recruit, hire, train, and promote persons in all job categories without regard to race, color, national origin, religion, sex, age, or disability. It is the policy of Wichita County to consider qualified individuals according to ADA standards. If notified in advance, requested accommodations will be considered. Final reasonable accommodations will be determined in accordance with ADA standards by departments after appropriate consultation. Rejected accommodations will be documented and retained on file.

TEXAS RELAY: TDD (800) 735-2989, VOICE (800) 735-2988. For candidates requesting Braille, Mobility requests, etc., please call (940) 766-8108. HR/ADA Compliance Office, Wichita County Courthouse, 900 7th Street, Room 132, Wichita Falls, Texas 76301.



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WICHITA COUNTY, TEXAS

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MAUREEN SHELTON
Wichita County
Criminal District Attorney

MEREDITH KENNEDY
Assistant District Attorney
Civil Chief

AUTHORIZATION FOR RELEASE OF PERSONAL INFORMATION

I have applied for employment with the Wichita County Criminal District Attorney's Office. It is my desire that they be informed as to my previous record and character in determining my qualifications and suitability for a position in that office. For this specific reason, I authorize the release and full disclosure of any and all information that you may have concerning me, including information of a confidential or privilege nature to a duly authorized agent of the Wichita County Criminal District Attorney's Office.

The following are examples of the type of information being requested:

- Criminal arrest records
Court records/reports
Traffic accident reports/records
Disciplinary reports
Booking information
Employment records
Officer's notebook notations
Performance evaluations
Detentions, field citations
Probation/parole reports/records
District Attorney records
Credit history
Traffic citations
Polygraph results
Jail and custody information
Other reports or records
Field interviews
Laboratory reports/results

I authorize the Wichita County Criminal District Attorney's Office to read, review, or photocopy any documents to allow them to assess my suitability as an employee of the office.

I also understand that if my background investigation for this position should uncover information that I have, or am suspected of having, or have been engaged in illegal activities, the information will likely bar me from further consideration for this position and the information will be handed over to the appropriate law enforcement agency that has jurisdiction over investigating the illegal activity.

This waiver is valid for a period of twelve (12) months from the date of my signature. A photocopy of this notarized waiver is to be considered as valid as an original waiver even though it does not contain an original signature.

I hereby release you, your organization, and others from liability or damage which may result from furnishing the information requested.

Print Name Social Security Number Date of Birth

Signature (MUST be notarized) Date

This instrument was acknowledged before me on (Date) by (Name of person acknowledging)

Notary Public

Printed Name My Commission Expires