

POSITION ANNOUNCEMENT
CRIMINAL DEFENSE INVESTIGATOR

POSITION #: 2012-03-TINV
ANNOUNCED: February 6, 2012
CLOSES: February 27, 2012

The Federal Public Defender for the Western District of Pennsylvania is accepting applications for the position of Investigator for the trial unit of its Pittsburgh headquarters. The Federal Public Defender represents indigent criminal defendants in the federal courts in Pittsburgh, Johnstown and Erie, Pennsylvania.

Job Description: The Investigator will assist attorneys by investigating and analyzing cases, locate and interview victims, witnesses and law enforcement personnel, locate and gather records, reports and documents, and serve subpoenas. The Investigator will visit and recreate crime scenes by measuring, photographing and sketching, and must be able to establish and maintain good working relationships with individuals and agencies that interact with this office, prepare clear oral and written reports, and testify in court.

Requirements and Qualifications: To qualify, the applicant must be a high school graduate or equivalent. Qualified applicants must possess a minimum of three years investigative experience. The position requires considerable resourcefulness, creativity, initiative and drive, as well as tact, integrity and discretion. A knowledge of computer applications is highly desirable, as is a fluency in Spanish. A driver's license and automobile insurance is required.

Salary/Benefits. This is a full-time position with salary and benefits based on qualifications and experience. The position is in the excepted service and does not have the tenure rights of the competitive Civil Service, however the position does carry regular government employment benefits including health and life insurance, retirement, and the Thrift Savings Plan. The starting salary range is \$58,519-\$98,562, and will be based on education and years of relevant experience consistent with federal guidelines and regulations. This position is subject to mandatory Electronic Funds Transfer (direct deposit) participation for payment of net pay. Employment will be considered provisional pending the successful outcome of a background fingerprint check. Applicants must be a U.S. Citizen or eligible to work in the United States.

Application Information. Qualified applicants should mail a letter of interest and detailed resume postmarked by February 27, 2012, to:

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The Federal Public Defender for the Western District of Pennsylvania is an Equal Opportunity Employer. Women and minorities are encouraged to apply. No telephone calls please.
Hiring subject to availability of funding.