Vacancy Announcement



Social Services Attorney

The Department of Social Services is seeking a qualified attorney to perform professional legal work, providing essential counsel and representation for the department. This position involves responsibility for prosecuting legal actions and offering related legal services under the general direction of the Commissioner of Social Services. The successful candidate will act as a key legal consultant to various divisions, including Child Welfare and Public Assistance, and will represent the Department in Family Court matters such as child abuse, neglect, foster care, adoption, and child support. This role requires the ability to prepare and try cases, review legal documents, and liaise with judges and law enforcement.

Minimum Qualifications:

Possession of a license to practice law in New York State.

Salary Range:

$102,258 - $113,134 per year (2026 rates)

- **Plus a $10,000 recruitment bonus!**

Excellent fringe benefits include:

- **Paid Vacation**
- **Sick Leave**
- **Tuition Reimbursement**
- **Comprehensive Health Plan, Including Vision**
- **Dental Insurance**
- **NYS Retirement**
- **Deferred Compensation**
- **Flex Spending Account**
- **Candidates may be eligible for the Public Service Loan Forgiveness program**

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Apply online:
jefferson-portal.mycivilservice.com

Or submit paper application and resume to:
Jefferson County Dept. of Human Resources,
175 Arsenal St. Watertown, NY 13601

Applications will be accepted until the position is filled.

Please submit application with resume and law transcript.

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