



**GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF GENERAL COUNSEL (PITTSBURGH)
ASSISTANT COUNSEL
PENNSYLVANIA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS**

The Pennsylvania Governor's Office of General Counsel (OGC) seeks two licensed attorneys with qualifying litigation law experience to serve as Assistant Counsels in the Office of Chief Counsel for the Pennsylvania Department of Corrections (DOC). These two (2) mid-level positions, will be based in the DOC's sub-office in the Pittsburgh area (Green Tree, PA) and will report to the DOC's headquarters in suburban Harrisburg. They will be classified depending on the level of relevant experience possessed by the successful applicants and are eligible for a hybrid remote/three day in-office per week schedule at the discretion of the General Counsel.

DOC seeks attorneys with at least two (2) years of experience in litigation matters, including litigation before county courts, the Commonwealth Court of Pennsylvania and the United States District Courts. The ideal candidates will have a familiarity with not only litigation but specifically Section 1983 litigation. Primarily, the persons filling these positions will be expected to represent the Department of Corrections and its employees in adversarial litigation brought by incarcerated people. Similarly, the persons filling these positions will be expected to represent the DOC in litigation proceedings involving guardianships, medical refusals, medical releases, religious accommodations, requests for disability accommodations, etc.

The successful candidates will have demonstrated: (1) solid legal research experience, analysis and reasoning capabilities; (2) good interpersonal and communication skills; (3) an ability to identify and resolve problems creatively and with professional discretion; (4) an ability and willingness to handle a variety of legal matters both independently and as part of a team; and (5) an interest in and experience with litigation.

The Governor's Office of General Counsel provides efficient, responsive legal services to the Commonwealth, the Governor, members of his cabinet and more than 30 executive branch agencies that conduct the business of the Commonwealth, including the Department of Corrections. The DOC's mission is to reduce criminal behavior by providing individualized treatment and education to inmates, resulting in successful community reintegration through accountability and positive change.

In addition to the aforementioned relevant legal experience, the candidates must have Juris Doctor degrees from an ABA-accredited law school and be members in good standing with the Pennsylvania Bar. Applicants should send a cover letter setting forth their interest in the available position, resume, and writing sample (no more than 10 pages) not later than **April 6, 2024**, to ogchiring@pa.gov, directed to Derek Riker, Deputy Chief of Staff, 333 Market Street, 17th Floor, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17101. To learn more about OGC's mission and what it is like to be part of the OGC team, visit our website, at www.ogc.pa.gov/careers.

OGC is an equal employment opportunity employer and is committed to a diverse workforce. The Commonwealth values inclusion as we seek to recruit, develop, and retain the most qualified people to serve the citizens of Pennsylvania. The Commonwealth does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religious creed, ancestry, union membership, age, gender, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, national origin, AIDS or HIV status, disability, or any other categories protected by applicable federal or state law. All diverse candidates are encouraged to apply.