

GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF GENERAL COUNSEL (HARRISBURG) ASSISTANT COUNSEL (ATTORNEY 1, 2 or 3) PENNSYLVANIA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

The Pennsylvania Governor's Office of General Counsel (OGC) seeks an attorney to assist in the area of the Right-to-Know Law (RTKL) within the Pennsylvania Department of Health. In accordance with OGC policy, a hybrid remote/in-office schedule may also be available at the General Counsel's discretion. The position will be filled at the Attorney 1, 2 or 3 level, dependent on experience.

The position will work closely with the Department's Records Legal Liaison and Open Records Officer in the handling of requests for records made under the Pennsylvania RTKL. This attorney will be required to understand and apply the RTKL in the processing and responding to RTKL requests and appeals, including appellate court work. The attorney must be capable of adhering strictly to tight deadlines and managing a large volume of work. Experience with Pennsylvania's RTKL is beneficial, but not required.

Ideal candidates will have familiarity with or an interest in developing expertise in the laws and processes applicable to Commonwealth government. The position requires excellent written and oral communication skills, attention to detail, excellent interpersonal skills, and the ability to foster trust and respect, including creating friendly and collaborative working relationships with colleagues and clients.

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, including DOH, that conduct the business of the Commonwealth. This includes rendering legal advice and representation concerning matters and issues arising in connection with the operation of executive agencies under the Governor's jurisdiction, as well as select independent agencies.

Candidates must have a Juris Doctor degree from an ABA-accredited law school and be a member in good standing with the Pennsylvania Bar. Interested applicants should send a cover letter setting forth interest in this position, resume, and a writing sample of 10 pages or fewer **no later than May 5, 2023**, to <u>ogchiring@pa.gov</u>, directed to Derek Riker, Deputy Chief of Staff, 333 Market Street, 17th Floor Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17101.

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