

Legal Recruitment Bureau

**Division of State Counsel
Litigation Bureau
Assistant Attorney General - New York City
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The Law Enforcement Group (LEG) of the [Litigation Bureau](#) in the New York State Office of the Attorney General (OAG) is seeking an experienced litigator to serve in the New York City office. The Litigation Bureau defends the State of New York, and its agencies and officers in state and federal courts in civil actions and proceedings relating to civil rights, education, social services, public employment, public health, law enforcement, corrections, state finance, insurance, taxation, and other litigated matters arising out of state operations and legislation.

Attorneys assigned to the LEG primarily defend the Department of Corrections and Community Supervision (DOCCS) and the New York State Police, and their officers, in federal and state courts in civil actions involving constitutional and civil rights, as well as employment issues. Among other things, the LEG handles a large number of federal civil rights actions brought against DOCCS involving prisoners' rights, and against the State Police for false arrest, including class actions and complex litigation concerning challenges to important governmental programs and policies in the corrections and criminal justice fields. LEG's litigation addresses a wide range of issues, including first amendment rights of freedom of religion and speech, accommodation of mental and physical disabilities, and constitutional challenges to state statutes, regulations and policies. Attorneys handle all phases of litigation from inception through trial, and have frequent opportunities to appear in court. The LEG also has an active docket of federal jury trials.

The ideal candidate has **five (5) years** of federal and/or state court civil litigation experience, including experience handling civil rights or 42 U.S.C. § 1983 actions. However, a **minimum of two (2)** years of experience (including judicial clerkships, if any) is required. Superior writing, analytic, oral advocacy and organizational skills are also required.

Applicants must reside in (or intend to soon become a resident of) New York State and be admitted to practice law in New York State. In addition, the Public Officers Law requires that attorneys in the Office be citizens of the United States. A two (2) year commitment upon being hired is a condition of employment.

OAG employees serve more than 19.85 million state residents through a wide variety of occupations. We offer a comprehensive New York State benefits package, including paid leave, health, dental, vision and retirement benefits, and family-friendly policies. As an employee of the OAG, you will join a team of dedicated individuals who work to serve the people of our State.

How To Apply

Applications are being received online. To apply, please click on this link: [LIT AAG/LEG NYC 3230](#); applicants will be taken to the online application page for this position.

Applicants must be prepared to submit a complete application consisting of the following:

- [Cover Letter](#) (You may address to Sandra Jefferson Grannum, , Bureau Chief, Legal Recruitment)
- [Resume](#)
- **List of three (3) [references](#) with contact information and email addresses**

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- Most recent law school [transcript](#) (if less than 5-years postgraduate)
- [Writing Sample](#)

Please note: Failure to submit a complete application will delay the consideration of your application.

If you have questions regarding a position with the OAG and the application process or you need assistance with submitting your application, please contact the Legal Recruitment Bureau via email at recruitment@ag.ny.gov or phone at 212-416-8080.

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