

EMPLOYMENT
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ANNOUNCEMENT
STATE OF NEW YORK
UNIFIED COURT SYSTEM

PLEASE POST ANNOUNCEMENT NO. 53401

POSITION TITLE: SENIOR ATTORNEY JG: 26

**LOCATION:** APPELLATE DIVISION, THIRD DEPARTMENT

MENTAL HYGIENE LEGAL SERVICE, ALBANY, NEW YORK

**BASE SALARY:** \$93,782

**QUALIFICATIONS:** Admission to the New York State bar and two (2) years of service in the Attorney title; **or** equivalent

legal experience.

**DISTINGUISHING FEATURES OF WORK:** With substantial independence from supervision, Senior Attorneys serve in a confidential capacity and research legal questions and issues, organize investigations, prepare and present cases before administrative tribunals and courts, and perform other related duties. Senior Attorneys provide legal research and advocacy services in the Mental Hygiene Legal Service, attorney disciplinary committees, 18B panel administration, or other such units. They may also oversee a departmental law guardian program.

**ASSIGNMENT:** This position will be assigned to the Albany Regional Office of the Third Department's Mental Hygiene Legal Service. MHLS at-torneys render legal and advocacy services for persons with intellectual and developmental disabilities, and individuals with cognitive or psychiatric impairments. This position involves frequent fieldwork including client meetings at psychiatric hospitals, licensed facilities and in the community. MHLS attorneys represent individuals in administrative and judicial proceedings con-cerning civil commitment, care and treatment, and guardianship. MHLS attorneys may represent respondents in civil manage-ment proceedings under the Sex Offender Management and Treatment Act. Litigation and trial experience is preferred. A valid driver's license and reliable vehicle are required.

**GENERAL INFORMATION**: The above statements are intended to describe the general nature and level of work being performed by persons assigned to this title. They do not include all job duties performed by employees in the title, and every position does not necessarily require these duties. Although a position is available and situated at a specific location, the appointee may be subject to reassignment to any position in the same title in this promotion unit dependent upon the needs of the Unified Court System. All applications received from this announcement may be used to fill any vacancies in this title that may occur in this court or agency within the next six (6) months. Position(s) available at the present time: 1. Accommodations for people with disabilities may be arranged by contacting this office at 518-471-4730 prior to the interview.

**APPLICATION PROCEDURES:** All interested persons meeting the minimum qualifications are encouraged to apply online at <a href="http://www.nycourts.gov/ad3/EmploymentOpportunities.html">http://www.nycourts.gov/ad3/EmploymentOpportunities.html</a>. Alternatively, interested persons may submit a resume, cover letter, law school transcript and legal writing sample and UCS-5 Application for Employment Form (obtainable from any administrative office in a court building or on the web) by email to <a href="mailto:AD3-employment@nycourts.gov">AD3-employment@nycourts.gov</a> or by mail to:

Robert D. Mayberger Clerk of the Court Appellate Division, Third Department P. O. Box 7288, Capitol Station Albany, New York 12224

APPLICANTS ARE ENCOURAGED TO COMPLETE THE EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY DATA COLLECTION FORM.

POSTING DATE: January 8, 2024 APPLICATIONS MUST BE POSTMARKED OR RECEIVED BY: February 5, 2024

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