

FEDERAL PUBLIC DEFENDER
Northern and Southern Districts of Iowa

POSITION ANNOUNCEMENT 15-03
ASSISTANT FEDERAL PUBLIC DEFENDER

The Federal Public Defender for the Northern and Southern Districts of Iowa is accepting applications for the position of Assistant Federal Public Defender, to be stationed in the Cedar Rapids office. The Federal Public Defender, a branch of the United States Courts, operates under authority of the Criminal Justice Act, 18 U.S.C. 3006A, to provide defense services in federal criminal cases and related matters in the federal courts.

JOB DESCRIPTION: Duties will include trial, appellate and ancillary matters under the direction and guidance of the Federal Defender. This position requires travel for training, investigation and litigation. Federal criminal trial experience preferred. The successful applicant will have demonstrated a capacity or aptitude for excellence in trial and appellate practice, a commitment to the representation of indigent accused persons, and a reputation for personal integrity.

REQUIREMENTS AND QUALIFICATIONS: Applicants must be a graduate of an accredited law school and be a member in good standing of the bar of any state or territory. Proficient research skills and effective written and oral communication abilities are essential. Federal Public Defender attorneys may not engage in the private practice of law. Applicant must be a U.S. citizen or eligible to work in the United States.

BACKGROUND CHECKS: The selected candidate will be subject to a background check as a condition of employment. Employment will be considered provisional until a satisfactory background check is confirmed.

SALARY: Commensurate to Assistant U.S. Attorneys with similar qualifications and experience. Position is subject to Electronic Funds Transfer participation for payroll deposit.

HOW TO APPLY: Electronically submit resume, writing sample and cover letter by February 23, 2015 to James Whalen at Jim.Whalen@fd.org. The email subject line **must read:** Cedar Rapids position announcement 15-03. Preference will be given to applications received by February 23, 2015, however position open until filled. No telephone calls please.

The Federal Public Defender is an Equal Employment Opportunity Employer.