

Department of Commerce
Office of the General Counsel
Office of the Chief Counsel for Economic Affairs
Supervisory General Attorney

The Office of the General Counsel is seeking a Senior Counsel for Economic Affairs (Supervisory General Attorney, GS-15) to join the Office of the Chief Counsel for Economic Affairs (OCCEA). OCCEA provides legal advice to the Economics and Statistics Administration (ESA) headed by the Under Secretary for Economic Affairs and supports ESA's efforts to maintain the highest possible quality Federal statistics system, communicate a vision of the key forces at work in the economy and the opportunities these forces create for improving the well-being of all Americans, and support the information and analytical needs of the Department and the Executive Branch. OCCEA also advises and counsels ESA's Office of the Chief Economist and ESA's primary operative units – the Bureau of Economic Analysis and the Bureau of the Census. These bureaus gather statistics, ensure confidentiality, and produce accurate and timely reports on economic and social change for the benefit of the United States public, business and all levels of government.

The attorney must have active client engagement experience focused on matters involving interagency consultation, negotiation of agreements and will serve as a liaison to other units of the Office of the General Counsel that have responsibilities in administrative law and legislation impacting ESA's programs. The attorney will provide legal advice and support to identify and address legal risks and develop solutions to control or minimize those risks to program initiatives, agreements, export promotion activities and administrative policies. Duties will also involve legal review and advice on the scope of ESA authorities, administrative policies, program initiatives, agreements, and export promotion activities.

In conjunction with the Chief Counsel, the incumbent will provide technical and administrative guidance to the staff attorneys and administrative personnel in the Office of the Chief Counsel for Economic Affairs. At the request of the Chief Counsel, the incumbent is responsible for the recruitment of staff, assignment of work, training, recommendation for promotions and awards, participation in the performance planning and appraisal process, and making positive EEO efforts, both internally and in program outreaches.

OCCEA is looking for an individual with specialized experience in managing professionals in legal matters involving interagency and consultations, negotiations or agreements, active client engagement; i.e., interacting and advising policy staff of administrative laws, regulations and rules bearing directly upon or having implications for the client's current or proposed policies.

Qualifications:

For a GS-15:

- a. J.D. degree; active bar membership in good standing and 5 years of professional legal experience.
- b. A one year supervisory probationary/trial period may be required for this position.

Position Requirements:

Citizenship: Must be a U.S. citizen.

Education: Must have graduated from an ABA-accredited law school with a J.D. degree.

Bar Membership: Mandatory. Applicant must be an active member in good standing of the bar of a state of the United States, the District of Columbia, or the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico.

To be considered, please submit a current resume and cover letter to BRobinson@doc.gov by February 19, 2016.

Applicants who are not selected for interviews will not be notified that they have not been selected.