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POSITION ANNOUNCEMENT

GENERAL COUNSEL

DEPARTMENT OF WATER AND POWER DIVISION

ANNUAL SALARY RANGE: \$186,761 - \$273,066

SUMMARY:

The City Attorney's Office offers a range of opportunities for attorneys to work on significant and complex issues. The effectiveness of the City Attorney's Office depends upon the continued recruitment and hiring of excellent and diverse legal talent. We recognize the need for attorneys of varied backgrounds and skills, and offer an inclusive environment that relies on diverse perspectives to ensure that we effectively serve the people of Los Angeles. We also offer competitive benefits and working arrangements including a telework program.

POSITION:

The Office of the City Attorney is seeking an experienced attorney to lead its Department of Water and Power Division.

DIVISION:

The Department of Water and Power Division acts as General Counsel to the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power (DWP), its officers and employees, and its Board of Commissioners. Division attorneys are responsible for legal representation, counsel and advice, and litigation related to DWP operations.

The Division is located at 221 N. Figueroa Street, Suite 1000, Los Angeles.

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

The selected attorney's primary responsibilities will include:

1. Managing and providing guidance and direction to the DWP Division's 37 attorneys and numerous support staff.
2. Overseeing and providing legal advice to the DWP's executive management, Board of Commissioners, and various staff on major litigation, transactional matters, and operational issues.
3. Overseeing the supervision of outside counsel.

**DESIRED
QUALIFICATIONS:**

Applicants must be licensed to practice law in all courts in the State of California and the United States District Court for the Central District of California. Applicants should have at least ten years of legal experience. Additional considerations include:

- 1) Knowledge of and experience with laws and regulations governing utilities;
- 2) Experience managing complex projects, litigation and/or transactional;
- 3) Demonstrated strong leadership capabilities, including experience mentoring and supervising attorneys and support staff;
- 4) Experience with municipal law (including the Ralph M. Brown Act, California Public Records Act, CEQA);
- 5) Demonstrated ability to advise and collaborate with public officials and organizational executive leadership and management;
- 6) Demonstrated ability to deal effectively with personnel and members of the public;
- 7) Strong written and oral communication skills; and
- 8) Demonstrated organizational skills, including the ability to prioritize and concurrently complete multiple assignments.

WRITING SAMPLE:

Candidates are required to submit two writing samples.

**COVID-19 VACCINE
REQUIREMENT:**

For candidates seeking initial City employment, in accordance with Los Angeles City Ordinance 187134, information regarding COVID-19 vaccination requirements as conditions of employment may be found at: https://clkrep.lacity.org/onlinedocs/2021/21-0921_ord_187134_8-24-21.pdf.

PROBATION:

Appointment to these exempt positions (non-Civil-Service) will be subject to a two (2) year probationary period as required by Section 1050 of the City Charter. Successful completion of the two (2) year probationary period will result in tenure with the office.

**APPLICATION
AND DEADLINE:**

Attorneys interested in applying should submit their cover letter specifying **GC – DWP DIVISION (YOUR CALIFORNIA BAR NUMBER)**, resume, and writing samples in **ONE (1) PDF FILE** via email to atty.recruit@lacity.org.

Selected applicants will be invited to interview.

This position will remain open until filled.

**CONFLICT
OF INTEREST:**

This position is designated Category 2 on the Conflict of Interest Code.

