

Assistant Federal Defender Position Announcement

The Office of the Federal Defender for the District of Missouri Eastern has an opening for an **Assistant Federal Defender** in the St. Louis office. The office operates under authority of the Criminal Justice Act, 18 U.S.C. § 3006A, to provide services to indigent persons in federal criminal cases.

Applicant must have the ability to immediately undertake the defense of major criminal cases in the United States District Court, as well as in the Court of Appeals for the Eighth Circuit. Applicant must be an active member in good standing of the bar in any state. Applicant must have substantial criminal trial experience, excellent research and writing skills and oral advocacy skills. Accounting and/or business background is a plus. Fluent Spanish is a plus. A reputation for integrity and a commitment to the representation of those unable to afford counsel are required qualities. An Assistant Federal Defender may not engage in the private practice of law.

This is a full-time position with federal salary and benefits based on qualification and experience. Salary is on a scale equivalent to that of Assistant United States Attorneys. This position is subject to mandatory electronic transfer (direct deposit) participation for payment of net pay.

To apply, send cover letter describing your experience, resume, three references, and recent writing sample no later than **June 13, 2008** to:

Lee T. Lawless
Federal Public Defender
1010 Market Street, Suite 200
Saint Louis, Missouri 63101

NO PHONE CALLS OR FAXES

Current and future positions may be filled from this vacancy announcement.

The Office of the Federal Defender is an Equal Opportunity Employer

Women & Minorities are encouraged to apply.

Position subject to funding and background check.