



**GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF GENERAL COUNSEL
(HBG/PHL/WILKS)
ASSISTANT COUNSEL (ATTORNEY 1 or 2)
PENNSYLVANIA DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES**

The Pennsylvania Governor's Office of General Counsel (OGC) seeks an attorney to advise the Pennsylvania Department of Human Services (DHS) with respect to general legal matters and litigation involving the Office of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services (OMHSAS), the Office of Developmental Programs (ODP), the Office of Medical Assistance Programs (OMAP), and other program offices. The position will be in one of three offices, located in Harrisburg, Philadelphia, or Wilkes-Barre, based on availability.

What You'll Do:

This attorney will assist senior colleagues by providing legal support to state facilities, OMHSAS, and ODP on matters related to the Mental Health Procedures Act, Title 20, the Mental Health and Intellectual Disabilities Act of 1966, confidentiality laws, and licensing. They will offer legal advice on Medicaid program requirements and issues related to state funding of county mental health/intellectual disability programs. Additionally, the attorney will help develop and review regulations and analyze proposed legislation.

The role also involves assisting with legal representation for DHS in administrative hearings and appeals before the DHS Bureau of Hearings and Appeals. The attorney may also support or handle litigation in state and federal courts, including research, drafting legal documents, discovery, and participating in hearings, arguments, and trials.

What We're Looking For:

This position requires excellent written and oral communications skills, attention to detail, exceptional interpersonal skills, and an ability to foster trust and respect, including creating collaborative and responsive working relationships with colleagues and clients.

Why Join OGC?

At OGC, you're not just practicing law—you're shaping the future of Pennsylvania. We offer a career filled with purpose, opportunities for professional growth, and the chance to make a difference. Here's what you can expect:

- **Comprehensive Benefits:** Top-tier health care options, retirement plans, and generous paid time off.
- **Work-Life Balance:** Excel in your career while having the time to enjoy your personal life.
- **Continuous Learning:** A supportive culture that fosters ongoing professional development and advancement.

Joining our team means being part of a respected institution dedicated to legal excellence and public service. To learn more about OGC's mission and what it is like to be part of the OGC team, visit our website, at www.ogc.pa/careers.

Qualifications:

- Juris Doctor degree from an ABA-accredited law school.
- Active membership in good standing with the Pennsylvania Bar.

Apply Today!

Send your letter of interest, resume, and a writing sample (no longer than 10 pages) by **October 1, 2024**, to ogchiring@pa.gov. Address your application to Derek Riker, Deputy Chief of Staff, 333 Market Street, 17th Floor, Harrisburg, PA 17101.

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