



# Departmental Vacancy Announcement

## DEPARTMENT OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

### DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL

Position No. 118046

Division with the Vacancy:  
**Employment Law Division**

**Opening Date: Thursday, September 14, 2023**

**Last Day to File Applications: Continuous recruitment until needs are met**

#### **Summary of Duties:**

The Employment Law Division (ELD) provides legal representation and advice to the Department of Human Resources Development and to all state departments and agencies on employment-related issues. The Division represents all state employers in mandatory arbitration hearings, administrative agency hearings, and civil litigation involving disputes over employment matters with the State's employees.

This position is responsible for representing the State in lawsuits, handling claims involving the State, and providing legal advice and services to various State agencies.

#### **Minimum Requirements:**

- **Education/Experience:** Graduate from an accredited law school.
- **Knowledge/Ability:** Knowledge of applicable State and Federal laws, rules, regulations and computer applications/software. Awareness of both federal district and state court of rules of civil and criminal procedure, including the Local Rules of Practice for the United States District Court for the District of Hawaii and the Hawaii Rules of the Circuit Courts and District Courts.

Ability to perform legal research, analyze, manage, produce and organize documents as needed, understand and apply administrative rules and court rules; give and receive oral and written instructions; use computer. Appropriate and current legal writing skills, including the ability to write logically and persuasively. Ability to set personal and professional example; leadership, supervisory or administrative ability or knowledge; strong organizational skills; good communication skills.

- **License/Certificate:** Active Hawaii State Bar License to practice law in all courts of the State of Hawaii and the United States District Court for the District of Hawaii.

**To Apply:**

Please send cover letter, application, résumé, and two writing samples to:

James Halvorson, Supervising Deputy Attorney General,  
Employment Law Division  
425 Queen Street, Honolulu, Hawaii 98813  
Or send by email to [James.E.Halvorson@hawaii.gov](mailto:James.E.Halvorson@hawaii.gov)

Application can be found online at: <https://ag.hawaii.gov/wp-content/uploads/2020/02/atty-apprev-v3-Fillable-v1.pdf>

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The information you provide will be used to determine whether you meet public employment requirements and the minimum qualification requirements in the Class Specifications. As required by Federal and/or State laws, we do not discriminate on the basis of age, sex (including gender identity or expression), religion, race, color, ancestry, national origin, disability, marital status, veteran's status, sexual orientation, arrest and court record, citizenship, genetic information or any other protected characteristic. The State of Hawaii is an equal opportunity employer and complies with applicable State and Federal laws relating to employment practices.

**Physical/Mental Requirements:** Applicants must be able to perform the essential functions of the position effectively and safely, with or without reasonable accommodation.

**Reasonable Accommodation:** Qualified applicants with special needs who can perform the essential functions of the advertised position are encouraged to apply. The State of Hawaii is committed to making reasonable accommodations on a case-by-case basis. Applicants seeking reasonable accommodations should be ready to discuss the accommodation sought so that a determination can be made that such accommodation is reasonable and would not cause the employer undue hardship. Call 586-1236 for more information.

**Criminal History Background Check:** Individuals who are recommended for hire are required to undergo a criminal history record clearance and other checks, as applicable.

**Internal Complaint:** Applicants will be notified of their status. Applicants who do not agree with a decision or action taken by the State Department of the Attorney General Human Resources Office may file an Internal Complaint with the Department of the Attorney General. Information about the Internal Complaint Procedure (ICP) and required form can be found on the ATG intranet.

If you have any questions, please contact our office at (808) 586-1236 for further information.