

Arkansas Environmental Employment Opportunities: Arkansas Department of Energy & Environment Advertises Chief Legal Counsel Position



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The Arkansas Department of Energy & Environment (“AE&E”) has advertised the position of Chief Legal Counsel.

The announcement states that the Chief Legal Counsel is:

...responsible for the oversight of the Department’s legal section and interacting with state and federal agencies, conducting legal research, writing legal documents, and providing legal assistance to the agency.

Functions of the position are described as including:

- Responsible for directing and supervising a team of attorneys and support staff
- Interviewing, hiring, providing training, signing, and reviewing work, and evaluating the performance of immediate subordinates
- Providing legal services and advice to management divisions
- Drafting new or revised policies on legislation
- Researching, analyzing, interpreting, and evaluating policies, legal precedents, issues and information and recommending courses of action to meet Agency objectives
- Maintain and share technical knowledge of current federal and state legal issues, policies, statutes, legislation, and procedures
- Conducting legal research, drafting and preparing legal briefings, and responding to subpoenas
- Presenting training on legal matters

Minimum qualifications are stated to include:

...Equivalent of a law degree from an accredited law school, plus 6 years of legal experience, including 3 years in a supervisory capacity.

A license to practice law and admission to the Bar of Arkansas pursuant to Arkansas Code Annotated Section 16-22-201 is required.

AE&E describes its mission as to provide effective and efficient energy and environmental solutions informed by science. Further, it promotes responsible management of resources and protects the environment for the benefit of all Arkansans.

AE&E divisions include:

- Division of Energy and Mineral Resources
- Division of Environmental Quality
- Pollution Control and Ecology Commission

AE&E is located in North Little Rock.

The posting end date is May 31, 2024.

A link to the AE&E job listing can be found [here](#).