

**FEDERAL DEFENDERS OF EASTERN WASHINGTON AND IDAHO
SPOKANE, WASHINGTON**

**POSITION ANNOUNCEMENT
FELLOWSHIP TRIAL ATTORNEY
(Assistant Federal Defender)
SPOKANE, WASHINGTON**

Federal Defenders of Eastern Washington and Idaho is now accepting applications for a **Fellowship Trial Attorney** position in **Spokane, Washington**. This is for a one (1) year term with possible renewal based upon continued availability of funding. The attorney will be based in Spokane, Washington with primary practice before the U.S. District Court in the Eastern District of Washington in Spokane, WA, U.S. District Court for Northern Idaho in Coeur d'Alene, ID, and United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit.

Federal Defenders of Eastern Washington and Idaho is the Community Defender Organization (see 18 U.S.C. §3006A(g)(2)(B)) for the Eastern District of Washington and the Northern District of Idaho. The organization is a non-profit corporation funded by a grant from the federal government. Employees of Federal Defenders of Eastern Washington and Idaho are considered "at will" and are not government employees. The organization provides defense services in federal criminal cases and related matters appointed by the court. The organization's main office is in Spokane, Washington, with a branch office in Yakima, Washington.

JOB DESCRIPTION: Qualified applicants must have a commitment to the representation of indigent persons. The successful applicant must possess excellent writing, computer-assisted legal research and advocacy skills, and the ability to understand and manage complex factual and legal issues. Applicants must also possess the ability to communicate effectively. The caseload is varied covering drug offenses, gun offenses, immigration offenses, offenses (primarily "violent crimes") arising out of Native American tribal lands and a variety of fraud offenses and other miscellaneous federal crimes. Regular day trips and some overnight travels are required. A trial attorney may not engage in the private practice of law.

REQUIREMENTS & QUALIFICATIONS: J.D. degree from an accredited law school; entry level to limited experience position of 0 but less than 5 years of professional attorney experience; looking for an energetic, go-getter who is excited about learning federal complex substantive and sentencing issues; must be an active member in good standing of a state bar - Washington State Bar not presently required, but encouraged. Fluent in Spanish is preferred but not required.

SALARY/BENEFITS: This is a temporary full-time position. Starting Salary range is \$51,403 - \$85,934 based on less than 5 years of professional attorney experience, and is commensurate with qualifications and experience. Benefits are provided, and salary is payable by direct deposit.

TO APPLY: Send resume with letter of interest, a recent writing sample (10 page limit) and 3 references by electronic submissions in PDF format only to:

Email: ewa_employment@fd.org
Subject Line: Fellowship Trial Attorney-Spokane

NO TELEPHONE CALLS

APPLICATION DEADLINE: April 18, 2014

Interviews will be scheduled in Spokane, Washington (travel to interview is at your own expense).

Position is subject to continued availability of funding and approval of hire by Defender Services Office

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