

STATE OF TENNESSEE
OFFICE OF THE POST-CONVICTION DEFENDER
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EMPLOYMENT ANNOUNCEMENT

STAFF ATTORNEY POSITION

The Tennessee Office of the Post-Conviction Defender is accepting applications for a staff attorney position.

OPCD is an independent agency of the Tennessee state government. The agency represents people sentenced to death in Tennessee and provides assistance and educational resources to appointed counsel in capital cases. Direct representation is focused upon the investigation and presentation of post-conviction claims in state courts. OPCD has cases throughout Tennessee and travel is required.

Qualifications:

- Tennessee Bar license, eligibility for comity admission, or willingness to sit for and pass the next bar exam
- Superior research, writing, and oral advocacy skills
- Strong organizational and time-management abilities
- Applicants must be team-oriented and possess a demonstrated commitment to indigent criminal defense
- Prior experience in capital trial, appellate, state post-conviction, or federal habeas practice is **strongly preferred**
- 2014 law school graduates will be considered only if they possess capital defense internship experience

OPCD is an equal opportunity employer. Salary is statutory and based on experience. Health insurance and other benefits are provided.

Interested candidates should send: 1) a cover letter discussing their experience, talents, and interest in death penalty work; 2) resume; 3) professional references; and 4) a brief writing sample to YorkL@tnpcdo.net or to the address in the letterhead above by **July 11, 2014**.

Candidates who applied in April/May of 2014 and did not receive a response will be considered for the position.