

FEDERAL PUBLIC DEFENDER

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POSITION ANNOUNCEMENT - ASSISTANT FEDERAL DEFENDER

The Office of the Federal Public Defender for the Western District of Tennessee have two openings for an Assistant Federal Defender to be stationed in Memphis. The office operates under authority of the Criminal Justice Act, 18 U.S.C. 3006A, to provide services to indigent persons in federal criminal cases. The main office is located in Memphis and a branch office in Jackson, TN.

Applicants must be a graduate of an accredited law school, admitted to practice in good standing before the highest court of a state, and licensed to practice in the U. S. District Court by the time of entrance on duty. Applicants must have excellent research and writing skills and oral advocacy skills. Fluent Spanish is a plus. A reputation for integrity and a commitment to the representation of those unable to afford counsel are required qualities. An Assistant Federal Defender may not engage in the private practice of law.

This is a full-time entry level position with federal salary and benefits based on qualifications and experience. Salary is on a scale equivalent to that of Assistant U. S. Attorneys. The position is in the excepted service and does not carry the tenure rights of the competitive civil service. Salary is payable only by Electronic Funds Transfer (direct deposit). Current and future positions may be filled from this vacancy announcement. The selected candidate will be subject to a background check as a condition of employment. Position subject to the availability of funding, and a one-year probationary period.

Apply by submitting a cover letter, resume, three references, and recent writing sample no later than **August 11, 2017**.

Applications should be sent to: Doris Randle-Holt, Federal Defender
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NO PHONE CALLS OR EMAILS PLEASE. Only applicants selected for an interview will be contacted.

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