

CLASS TITLE: ASSOCIATE GENERAL COUNSEL

CHARACTERISTICS OF THE CLASS

Under direction, the class functions as a legal advisor to senior management and operational units within the Office of Inspector General (OIG) for a variety of regulatory and compliance matters, and performs related duties as required

ESSENTIAL DUTIES

- Conducts complex legal research on local, state and federal laws and ordinances applicable to OIG investigations
- Coordinates and oversees the work of consultants and outside counsel participating in comprehensive legal research projects
- Drafts legal documents on behalf of the OIG to address
- Represents the OIG in relating and interpreting city policies and departmental investigative practices to outside governmental agencies
- Develops work standards and procedures to address new and expanded responsibilities of operating departments resulting from applicable regulations of participating jurisdictions
- Collaborates with external law enforcement agencies on grand jury investigations and criminal prosecutions, as required
- Meets with department investigators in the preparation of dispositions and testimonies
- Conducts or facilitates training and workshops to inform operating departments of new or modified city policies and regulations
- **NOTE**: The list of essential duties is not intended to be inclusive; there may be other duties that are essential to particular positions within the class.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS

Education, Training, and Experience

 Graduation from an American Bar Association (ABA) accredited law school plus four years of work experience in the legal profession as a licensed attorney and/or in the performance of regulatory or compliance work

Licensure, Certification, or Other Qualifications

None

WORKING CONDITIONS

• General office environment

EQUIPMENT

- Standard office equipment (e.g., telephone, printer, photocopier, fax machine, calculator)
- Computers and peripheral equipment (e.g., personal computer, computer terminals, hand-held computer, modems)

PHYSICAL REQUIREMENTS

No specific requirements

KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, ABILITIES, AND OTHER WORK REQUIREMENTS

<u>Knowledge</u>

Considerable knowledge of:

- federal and state legislation and its impact on City policies and operations
- applicable local laws, regulations, and guidelines
- *the legal system and the principles and practices of municipal law
- *legal research methods, techniques, and resources

Moderate knowledge of:

- *project management methods, practices and procedures
- *report preparation methods, practices, and procedures

Knowledge of applicable City and department policies, procedures, rules, and regulations

<u>Skills</u>

- ACTIVE LEARNING Understand the implications of new information for both current and future problem-solving and decision-making
- ACTIVE LISTENING Give full attention to what other people are saying, take time to understand the points being made, ask questions as appropriate, and not interrupt at inappropriate times
- CRITICAL THINKING Use logic and reasoning to identify the strengths and weaknesses of alternative solutions, conclusions, or approaches to problems
- COMPLEX PROBLEM SOLVING Identify complex problems and review related information to develop and evaluate options and implement solutions
- JUDGEMENT AND DECISION MAKING Consider the relative costs and benefits of potential actions to choose the most appropriate one

Abilities

- COMPREHEND ORAL INFORMATION Listen to and understand information and ideas presented through spoken words and sentences
- SPEAK Communicate information and ideas in speaking so others will understand
- COMPREHEND WRITTEN INFORMATION Read and understand information and ideas presented in writing
- WRITE Communicate information and ideas in writing so others will understand
- MAKE SENSE OF INFORMATION Quickly make sense of, combine, and organize information into meaningful patterns
- REASON TO SOLVE PROBLEMS Apply general rules to specific problems to produce answers that make sense
- REACH CONCLUSIONS Combine pieces of information to form general rules or conclusions (includes finding a relationship among seemingly unrelated events)

Other Work Requirements

- INITIATIVE Demonstrate willingness to take on job challenges
- DEPENDABILITY Demonstrate reliability, responsibility, and dependability and fulfill obligations
- ATTENTION TO DETAIL Pay careful attention to detail and thoroughness in completing work tasks
- INDEPENDENCE Develop own ways of doing things, guide oneself with little or no supervision, and depend mainly on oneself to get things done
- ANALYTICAL THINKING Analyze information and using logic to address work or job issues and problems

All employees of the City of Chicago must demonstrate commitment to and compliance with applicable state and federal laws, and City ordinances and rules; the City's Ethics standards; and other City policies and procedures.

The City of Chicago will consider equivalent foreign degrees, accreditations, and credentials in evaluating qualifications.

* May be required at entry.

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