

U .S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
CRIMINAL DIVISION
EXPERIENCED ATTORNEY, GS-14/15

About the Office: The mission of the Criminal Division's Office of Overseas Prosecutorial Development, Assistance and Training (OPDAT) is to develop and administer technical and developmental assistance designed to enhance the capabilities of foreign justice sector institutions and their law enforcement personnel, so those institutions and their personnel can more effectively combat terrorism, organized crime, corruption, financial crimes, trafficking in persons and other types of crime, in a manner consistent with the rule of law, and can more effectively cooperate regionally and with the United States in combating such crime.

Responsibilities and

Opportunity Offered: The Office seeks an experienced Assistant United States Attorney or Department of Justice Trial Attorney to serve as the Millennium Challenge Corporation (MCC) Resident Legal Advisor (RLA) for Kyrgyzstan. This assignment is for a term of one year, with the possibility of an extension for a second year, contingent on available funding. **(This is a reimbursable detail.)** The RLA represents the Department of Justice and OPDAT in the implementation of an OPDAT justice sector assistance program. The RLA will work with the U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID) and the Millennium Challenge Corporation (MCC) to provide assistance to the Government of Kyrgyzstan to support its efforts to address corruption and to enhance the rule of law. The RLA will help implement legal reforms designed to promote governmental integrity and accountability and to bring the Kyrgyz criminal justice system into compliance with accepted international standards. The RLA will focus on legislative drafting and skills development assistance in the following areas: criminal procedure, witness security and protection, money laundering, countering corruption, strengthening ethics and financial disclosure. The RLA will work closely with Kyrgyz law enforcement and government officials, including prosecutors, judges, and legislators to carry out the assistance program.

Qualifications: Required qualifications: Applicants must possess a J.D. degree, be duly licensed and authorized to practice as an attorney under the laws of a State, territory, or the District of Columbia. **Applicants must be a current Department Trial Attorney or Assistant United States Attorney** and have at least four or five years of post J.D. experience to be qualified at the GS-14 or 15 level.

Preferred qualifications: Applicants must have excellent interpersonal and management skills, be mature and self-sufficient, communicate effectively orally and in writing, and possess extensive and relevant prosecutorial experience. Applicants should also be able to work with diverse types of individuals and groups and achieve consensus regarding difficult and multidimensional issues. Experience in the substantive areas described in the previous paragraph is strongly desired. International experience, particularly working

with foreign law enforcement or other foreign justice sector personnel, is also highly desirable. Experience working with the legal system of the former Soviet Union is desired, as are Russian language skills.

Travel: Periodic travel will be required.

Salary Information: Current salary and years of experience determine the appropriate salary level. (See OPM's Web page at www.opm.gov/oca/payrates/index.htm)

Location: The RLA will be stationed in Bishkek, Kyrgyzstan beginning in late fall or early winter 2007.

Relocation Expenses: Relocation expenses are authorized.

Submission Process

and Deadline Date: To apply for this position, applicants should obtain the concurrence of their Section Chief, Office Director, or U.S. Attorney prior to submitting a resume and cover letter (highlighting relevant skills and experience), as soon as possible, to:

U.S. Department of Justice
Criminal Division
Office of Overseas Prosecutorial Development, Assistance and Training
(OPDAT)
10th and Pennsylvania Aves., NW
Washington, DC 20530
Attn: Ms. Catherine Newcombe, Acting Regional Director for Eurasia

Faxed or E-mailed submissions are also acceptable. Ms. Newcombe's fax number is (202) 616-8429. Her E-mail address is Catherine.Newcombe@usdoj.gov. Ms. Newcombe will also accept telephone inquiries at 202-616-0754.

Applications will be accepted until the position is filled.