



JOB ANNOUNCEMENT

Assistant Attorney – Policy Director

Wilderness Watch, an organization dedicated to protecting the lands and waters in the National Wilderness Preservation System and preserving the integrity of the Wilderness Act, is seeking applications for the position of Assistant Attorney – Policy Director. The Assistant Attorney – Policy Director will be supervised by our staff attorney and will be primarily responsible for conducting research and developing policy positions, reports, whitepapers, and campaigns on critical issues relating to the National Wilderness Preservation System and the Wilderness Act. The position will also be responsible for assisting our staff attorney or other attorneys representing Wilderness Watch with various litigation tasks.

Wilderness Watch is headquartered in Missoula, Montana. The work location will be Missoula or Moscow, Idaho, where our staff attorney is based. We will consider another location depending on the situation. The position is full time, though we will consider applicants for less than full time, but not less than half time.

Responsibilities:

- Conduct legal, policy, and legislative research on wilderness policies and issues
- Prepare reports, memorandum, whitepapers on key policies
- Assist staff attorney and other attorneys with research, briefing, and other litigation tasks
- Review and prepare comments on agency policy proposals and wilderness legislation
- Draft proposed legislation or amendments to legislation to assist WW's lobbying efforts
- Assist with news releases, op-eds and educational materials relating to the above

Qualifications:

We are seeking candidates who have a demonstrated passion for and commitment to Wilderness preservation, are self-motivated, able to work independently and in cooperation with other staff, and have a strong work ethic including willingness to work some weekend or evening hours. Other essential qualifications include:

- Law degree and admission to any state bar
- Post law school experience in litigation or other wildlands advocacy work preferred
- Excellent writing, research, and analytical skills
- A desire to work as part of a team
- Willing to travel, including to Washington, D.C.
- Ability to think strategically
- Proficient in basic computer skills and software

Compensation and Benefits:

Competitive salary based on qualifications and experience. Generous vacation/leave. Health and retirement benefits for ¾ to full time employees. Flexible work hours and an excellent work environment. Confronting the issues and threats to our nation's most precious wildlands creates enough stress, we strive to not add more around the office. A healthy sense of outrage and a good sense of humor will serve a candidate well.

To Apply:

Please submit the following to jobapp@wildernesswatch.org

- Cover letter explaining your interest in and qualifications for the position
- Resume
- Two writing samples, at least one providing legal analysis, not to exceed 10 pages each
- Three references

No phone calls, drop-ins, or hard copies, please. Only applicants selected for interviews will be contacted.

Applications will be reviewed on a rolling basis. Open until filled.

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