

THE NAVAJO NATION
Department of Personnel Management
JOB VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

REQUISITION NO:	<u>DOJ00610433</u>	DATE POSTED:	<u>07/13/15</u>			
POSITION NO:	<u>249630</u>	CLOSING DATE:	<u>OUF</u>			
POSITION TITLE:	<u>Principal Attorney</u>					
DEPARTMENT NAME / WORKSITE:	<u>DOJ / Water Rights Unit / Window Rock, AZ</u>					
WORK DAYS:	<u>Monday - Friday</u>	REGULAR FULL TIME:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	GRADE/STEP:	<u>AC72A - AC72F</u>	
WORK HOURS:	<u>8am - 5pm</u>	PART TIME:	<input type="checkbox"/>	NO. OF HRS./WK.:	<u> </u>	\$ <u>(DOE)</u> PER ANNUM
		SEASONAL:	<input type="checkbox"/>	DURATION :	<u> </u>	\$ <u>(DOE)</u> PER HOUR
		TEMPORARY:	<input type="checkbox"/>			Depending on Experience
						\$91,645 - \$106,226

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

Under the direction of the Assistant Attorney General, represent the Navajo Nation in multiple water rights adjudications pending in state and federal courts, and in state administrative water rights matters. Engage in negotiations to resolve the Nation's water rights claims by settlement. Perform legal work necessary to effectuate the implementation of water rights settlements. Brief and advise the Navajo Nation government, including the Attorney General, the Navajo Nation Water Rights Commission, the Navajo Nation Council and its committees, the Office of the President/Vice-President on water rights matters. Assist the Water Rights Commission in the efforts to educate the Navajo public about water rights. Work on general Navajo Nation legal issues as assigned. The ability to work independently and exercise sound legal judgment is essential.

QUALIFICATION REQUIREMENTS: (Education, Experience and Training)

Minimum Qualifications:

- A Juris Doctorate; and eight (8) years professional experience as a state licensed Attorney.
- Current admission to any state bar with the intention of seeking and securing admission to the Navajo Nation Bar Associate and either the Az, NM or Utah State Bar within one (1) year of date of hire.

Preferred Qualifications:

- Current admission to the Navajo Nation Bar Association and the Az, NM or Utah State Bar.

(To receive full credit for education, certification, or licensure, transcripts, copies of degrees, certificates, and other appropriate documents must be submitted along with employment application.)

Special Knowledge, Skills and Abilities:

Knowledge of federal, state and local laws in water rights, Indian law, legal research methods and techniques in complex areas, legal opinions, appropriate argument and defense, verbal and written communications, application of legal principles and precedence. Skills in analyzing, organization, preparing and presenting legal opinions.

THE NAVAJO NATION GIVES PREFERENCE TO ELIGIBLE AND QUALIFIED APPLICANTS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE NAVAJO PREFERENCE IN EMPLOYMENT ACT AND VETERANS' PREFERENCE.