

**State of Connecticut Office of the Attorney General
Special Assistant Attorney General – Environmental Fellow**

Class Title: Special Assistant Attorney General – Environmental Fellow
Location: Hartford, Connecticut
Hours: Full-time, 40 hours per week
Salary Range: Salary and benefits for this position, including health care benefits, are provided by the New York University School of Law. The salary will be consistent with that of an Assistant Attorney General, which is based on JD year and experience.
Closing Date: Initial closing date of November 30, 2024; search will continue until position is filled.

The Connecticut Office of the Attorney General will host a highly motivated attorney as a Special Assistant Attorney General for a two-year position in connection with a legal fellowship sponsored by the New York University School of Law State Energy & Environmental Impact Center (State Impact Center). The Special Assistant Attorney General will be a part of the Attorney General’s Environment Section. The attorney selected for this opportunity will provide a supplemental, in-house resource to the Attorney General and the Environment Section with a focus on clean energy, climate change, energy and environmental justice, plastics pollution, and other environmental protection matters.

The Office of the Attorney General Environment Section’s local, regional and federal work covers a wide range of topics, including:

- * climate change;
- * environmental protection
- * renewable energy, distributed generation, and grid modernization;
- * reliability and planning;
- * enforcement of environmental statutes and regulations; and
- * reducing plastic pollution.

The non-partisan State Impact Center supports state attorneys general in defending and promoting clean energy, climate, and environmental laws and policies. More information about the State Impact Center can be found at <https://stateimpactcenter.org/>.

Primary Duties:

The Special Assistant Attorney General will perform highly advanced legal work, which might include the following: serving as lead or co-counsel in environmental and/or energy litigation in federal and state courts; strategizing and developing action plans; collaborating with other New England stakeholders; conducting in-depth analysis and preparing legal memoranda; interpreting laws and regulations; providing legal advice; assisting in preparing legal notices, briefs, comment letters, and other associated litigation and regulatory documents; and investigating and prosecuting civil energy enforcement cases of regional or national significance. The principal focus of the

selected attorney's workload will be climate, energy, environmental justice, and environmental litigation of national or regional significance. The selected attorney will also contribute to the other work of the Environment Section, as needed and assigned.

Position Type:

This position is considered a Special Assistant Attorney General/Volunteer Attorney under an agreement between the State Impact Center and the Attorney General's Office for the benefit of the State of Connecticut and its citizens. The selected attorney will not be an employee of the Attorney General's Office but will work under the direction of and owe a duty of loyalty to the Attorney General's Office. The term of the position is two years.

Salary:

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The successful candidates will be eligible for subsidized health benefits (medical, prescription, dental and vision coverage) and life insurance; leave, including annual (vacation), personal, sick, and paid parental leave. The candidate is also eligible to participate in a retirement plan. For information regarding benefits for this fellowship, please visit NYU's website at: <https://www.nyu.edu/employees/...> For more information regarding the fellowship program, please visit NYU's website at <https://stateimpactcenter.org/...>

Job Qualifications:

Applicants should preferably have at least three years of litigation and/or regulatory experience with a preference for experience in environmental law, clean energy, and/or climate change. Experience working in or with state or federal government is preferred. Strong writing, editing, research, and verbal communication skills are required, as is the ability to work well and with enthusiasm within a team. A history of professional commitment to public service or public interest work is preferred.

Applicants will be required to provide a cover letter, resume, and a recent writing sample to complete their application. Must be a member of the Connecticut bar in good standing or have the ability to waive in. Additional admission to other courts (such as the U.S. District Court for the District of Connecticut and the U.S. Court of Appeals for the D.C. Circuit) is preferred. The selected candidate will be responsible for the payment of his or her own bar registration dues.

Application Instructions

If you are interested in applying for this position, please download our application materials at the links below and submit an application directly to Human Resources, c/o susan.cavanaugh@ct.gov, with a copy to matthew.levine@ct.gov. In the cover letter or email please note that you are applying for the Special Assistant Attorney General Fellowship position in our Environment Section.

[AAG Application Instructions & Supplemental required documents](#)

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Office of the Attorney General

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