The New Jersey Office of the Attorney General –

Under the direction of the Attorney General, the Office of the Attorney General and Department of Law & Public Safety are dedicated to making New Jersey safe for all its residents and visitors. Its diverse and complex responsibilities focus on protecting the lives and property of New Jersey citizens. In addition to providing statewide law enforcement and emergency response services, this Department and its approximately 7,700 employees are responsible for protecting citizens' civil and consumer rights, promoting highway traffic safety, maintaining public confidence in the alcoholic beverage, gaming and racing industries and providing legal services and counsel to other state agencies. Listed below are the different Divisions that fall under the Office of the Attorney General:

The Division of Law –

The Division of Law provides legal representation and counsel to the departments, boards offices, commissions and other instrumentalities of State government, its officers and employees. This responsibility has several key features. It requires a defense of all litigation brought against the State, its entities, officers and employees. It requires the Attorney General to act as legal representative of the State in all legal matters including actions to enforce the law and to protect its interests in contractual matters. It also requires the Attorney General, through the Division of Law, to act as counsel to the State departments, agencies, officials and employees with regard to all legal issues. In performing these functions, the office is imbued with a public trust to further the public interest in all matters in which the State is involved.

Alcoholic Beverage Control –

Under direction of a Counsel to the Director, Deputy Attorney General 1 or 2, or other supervisory official in the Department of Law and Public Safety, represents the Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control as prescribed by applicable statutes; provides counsel and representation to the Division regarding interpretation or enforcement of Title 33, The Alcoholic Beverage Control Act, and implementation or enforcement of regulations; as the Attorney General’s representative, participates in legal and related activities involving cases before the Division and in federal, State and local jurisdictions and before other State agencies; drafts documents that may include regulatory pleadings, rulings, opinions, orders, regulatory charges; does other related work as required

Division of Criminal Justice –

The Division of Criminal Justice, on behalf of the Attorney General, provides a variety of functions pertaining to the administration of criminal justice. Primarily, the Division is charged with the responsibility to detect, enforce and prosecute the criminal business of the State through the uniform and efficient administration of our criminal laws. In addition to its direct law enforcement operations, the Division provides oversight and coordination within New Jersey's law enforcement community. The activities of the Division are conducted through a staff consisting of deputy attorneys general, detectives and professional personnel. It is the goal of the Division of Criminal Justice to coordinate law enforcement efforts and cooperate to share resources within criminal justice communities on the state, county and municipal levels, to ensure the safety and security of all New Jersey citizens.

The Division on Civil Rights (DCR) -

The Division on Civil Rights is the division in the New Jersey Attorney General’s Office that is responsible for preventing and combating discrimination in New Jersey by enforcing the New Jersey Law Against Discrimination, one of the strongest civil rights laws in the country. DCR investigates civil rights complaints and brings appropriate enforcement actions if a violation is found. DCR also issues regulations, guidance documents, fact sheets and reports on the most important civil rights issues in the state. And it hosts trainings and conferences with employers, community groups, faith communities, and other stakeholders.
Summer legal interns and spring/fall legal externs will work closely with DCR staff to help develop legal, regulatory, and policy strategies to protect the civil rights of New Jersey residents. They will also have opportunities to investigate cases and draft documents to enforce the law. Interns and externs will also be able to attend workshops and trainings that will help develop their legal skills and introduce them to the full range of work performed by DCR.

Proactive legal specialists working on DCR’s strategic initiatives will develop legal, regulatory, and policy strategies to protect the civil rights of all New Jersey residents. This includes researching and drafting proposed revisions to the NJ Law Against Discrimination (NJLAD) and the NJ Family Leave Act; researching and drafting proposed regulations and amendments to regulations in accordance with the policy objectives of DCR; conducting legal research and drafting publications, guidance documents, fact sheets, and reports regarding cutting-edge civil rights issues; working closely with investigators on director-initiated investigations to protect the civil rights of New Jersey residents; preparing and giving training presentations to employers, community groups, nonprofit organizations, and members of the public; and planning and participating in conferences, public hearings, listening sessions, and other public events.

Legal specialists working on DCR’s complainant-initiated investigations will review, assist and advise on investigations and findings of probable cause and no probable cause; prepare final drafts of orders, motion decisions, and various other legal documents; perform legal research and analysis; provide assistance in complex discovery matters; and assist the Deputy Director and Director in protecting the civil rights of all New Jersey residents.

Division of Gaming Enforcement –

The Division of Gaming Enforcement was established in 1977 under the Casino Control Act, N.J.S.A. 5:12-1 et seq. to ensure the integrity of the casino gaming industry in the State of New Jersey. Its mission is to protect the public interest by maintaining a legitimate and viable industry, free from the influences of organized crime, and assuring the honesty, good character and integrity of casino owners, operators, employees and vendors. The Division performs this mission through enforcement of the Casino Control Act and the regulations promulgated thereunder which mandate a strictly regulated and economically sound industry. Oversight by the Division includes investigations, inspection, audit and criminal and regulatory prosecution.

The Office of the Insurance Fraud Prosecutor of New Jersey (OIFP)-

OIFP is looking for energetic, innovative, experienced professionals to join our team.

Our Mission:

The mission of the Office of the Insurance Fraud Prosecutor (OIFP) is to conduct full and fair investigations to ensure successful criminal prosecutions; to facilitate civil adjudications, licensing sanctions or other appropriate dispositions; and to serve as the focal point for the coordination of all anti-insurance fraud activities statewide.

Insurance touches the lives of nearly every citizen in the State of New Jersey: health insurance, property & casualty insurance, homeowner’s insurance, renter’s insurance, automobile insurance, worker’s compensation insurance, disability insurance and Medicaid. OIFP safeguards the integrity of
these insurance programs by prosecuting those who seek to undermine them through fraud and deceit. Our cases involve everything from the doctor who billed for services that she did not render, to the nursing home resident who was assaulted by an aide. We also litigate civil False Claims Act cases against those who defraud government programs.

Due to its complex mission and responsibilities, OIFP hires attorneys for two sections: the Private Insurance Fraud Unit (Private); and the Medicaid Fraud Control Unit (MFCU). Support Section (CLASS).

Private investigates and prosecutes crimes that bear some connection to the insurance industry. These crimes may be against private insurance carriers; any governmental insurance program, such as the State Health Benefits Program; and any other insurance related person or entity

MFCU investigates and prosecutes defendants who have defrauded the Medicaid Program or, in the case of FCA work, have filed false claims with the Medicaid Program. In addition to cases against Medicaid providers and others who submit claims to the Medicaid Program, MFCU also investigates and prosecutes those who defraud or harm the elderly.

Division Of Consumer Affairs –

DCA is one of thirteen Divisions within the NJ Department of Law & Public Safety, which is headed by the Attorney General. The Division’s 500+ employees enforce consumer and public protection laws and license and regulate professionals and businesses statewide. DCA’s core mission is to protect public safety and financial well-being in the sale of goods and services, through education, advocacy, regulation, and enforcement. In conjunction with the Division of Law, enforces the Consumer Fraud Act and hundreds of related consumer protection statutes and regulations; is the primary state regulator over charities, the securities industry, and weights and measures; Licenses or registers dozens of categories of regulated businesses; Oversees 48 professional licensing boards, which license nearly a million individuals (from doctors to electricians) and promulgate and enforce regulations governing those professions; and Working with other Divisions and state agencies, plays a critical role in combating the opioid epidemic by holding drug companies and prescribers accountable and running the prescription authorization, monitoring, and take-back programs for the State.

Office of Public Integrity and Accountability (OPIA) –

Department of Law and Public Safety, conducts work concerned with the detection and prosecution of criminal activities that violate public trust, including bribery and official misconduct by public officials and others; interprets and enforces laws and regulations; as the Attorney General’s representative, participates in legal and related activities involving federal and local jurisdictions and other State entities; handles all aspects of investigations and prosecutions, including but not limited to case assessment, research, grand jury presentations, discovery coordination, court appearances, pre-trial preparation, trial practice, court filings (motions, briefs, sentencing documents), attorney correspondence and case management; works closely with law enforcement in the development of case investigations and prosecutions; does other work within OPIA as required, including internal investigations of high level officials and participates in the review of convictions that are called into question.
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