

**Office of the Attorney General  
Department of Justice**



**Position Announcement**

**Special Deputy Attorney General  
Unpaid**

**San Francisco, Sacramento, Oakland, San Diego, or Los Angeles**

About the Organization

Attorney General Kamala Harris is the state's chief law enforcement officer, responsible for ensuring that state laws are uniformly and adequately enforced. The department includes over 5,000 employees who provide legal and law enforcement services to the state, including exchange of criminal intelligence using state-of-the-art technology, law enforcement activities such as criminal investigations, apprehending criminals, and legally protecting California's citizens and the natural environment. More information is available at [www.ag.ca.gov](http://www.ag.ca.gov).

About the Position

The Office of the Attorney General is seeking applications from attorneys who are willing to accept unpaid temporary positions that offer a valuable opportunity to gain exposure to the office while also obtaining litigation experience and conducting trials. A Special Deputy Attorney General may perform a wide variety of legal work concerned with representing the state, most of its officers, departments, boards, commissions and other such bodies before the state and federal courts and administrative bodies; assist local district attorneys in unusual situations; prepare pleadings and other legal materials for trials, hearings and other legal proceedings, present criminal and civil measures and regulations, give legal advice to grand juries, attorneys, county counsels, officials and representatives of public agencies on legal problems; perform legal research; write opinions and other duties as required.

Desirable Qualifications

Interest or talent for litigation, research and writing, oral advocacy, trial preparation and practice in advising management on complex matters of public interest and importance. An interest in public policy and civil litigation experience is desirable. While prior litigation experience is preferred, the positions are open to lawyers who are finishing judicial clerkships and to highly qualified lawyers who have recently graduated from law school. A one-year commitment is required.

### Minimum Qualifications

Membership in the California State Bar. (Applicants must have active membership in the California State Bar before they will be eligible for appointment. Applicants who are not members of the California State Bar but who are eligible to take the California State Bar examination will be considered, but not appointed until they are admitted to the State Bar.)

### Apply Now

To apply, please submit a cover letter, resume, writing sample, and three references to [Charlene.bava@doj.ca.gov](mailto:Charlene.bava@doj.ca.gov) or Charlene Bava, Office of the Attorney General, Executive Office, 455 Golden Gate Avenue, Suite 11000, San Francisco, CA 94102. Multiple unpaid attorney positions are available.