

Staff Attorney I-IV (FSM Department of Justice) Pohnpei [closing date: 9/11/2026]

It is the policy of the FSM Government that qualified FSM citizens are given first priority for employment consideration; with other Micronesians and U.S. citizens utilized in positions for which no qualified FSM citizens are available.

POSITION AND SALARY:

Staff Attorney I – IV

(4 positions)

PL-34/1 + 100% w/professional premium — PL-42/1 + 100% w/professional premium

\$77.30 B/W + \$779.30= \$ 1,558.60 B/W

\$1,177.58 B/W +

\$1,177.58= \$2,355.16 B/W

This is the minimum rate at step one of the grades. Higher rates may be authorized in cases of hard-to-fill positions where it is appropriate to the qualifications of the appointee. The professional premium applies only upon admission to the FSM Bar or Bar member in any other jurisdiction.

LOCATION:

Department of Justice

FSM National Government

Palikir, Pohnpei FM 96941

DUTIES (ILLUSTRATIVE ONLY):

Senior attorney law legal work; includes civil and criminal litigation, research and write on complex legal and constitutional issues; prepares formal and informal attorney opinions; provides legal counsel to Department and Offices Heads of the Executive Branch: drafts proposed bills and resolutions;

testifies at congressional hearings; reviews passed legislation for constitutional and legal sufficiency; provides technical assistance to and coordinates to the work of lower level attorneys and paralegal personnel; performs other duties as assigned.

QUALIFICATION REQUIREMENTS:

Level I- Graduated from an accredited school of law with an earned degree (BA) in law or earned degree in pre-law or equivalent from an accredited school; or four (4) years of work experience practicing law and admission either to the FSM Bar or Bar member in any jurisdiction.

Level II- Graduated from an accredited school of law with an earned degree (BA) plus four (4) years of work experience practicing law and admission either to the FSM Bar or Bar member in any jurisdiction.

Level III- Graduated from an accredited school of law with an earned degree (BA) plus two (2) to three (3) years of work experience practicing law and admission either to the FSM Bar or Bar member in any jurisdiction; or attained Master's degree in Law (MA) plus admission either to the FSM Bar or Bar member in any jurisdiction.

Level IV- Graduated from an accredited school of law with an earned degree (BA) plus three (3) to four (4) years of work experience practicing law and admission either to the FSM Bar or Bar member in any other jurisdiction; or attained a Juris Doctor in Law (JD) plus admission to either the FSM Bar or Bar member to any jurisdiction.

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