New Mexico State Personnel Office



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Classification Description

LEGAL SUPPORT WORKER, ALL OTHER SUPERVISOR

Class Title	Class Code	Pay Band	Alt Pay Band*
Legal Support Workers, All Other Supv.	H2099S	60	

^{*}In accordance with SPB Rule 1.7.4.10 NMAC, the assignment to alternative pay bands shall be reviewed annually to determine their appropriateness.

Purpose

Devotes a substantial portion of time assigning and directly supervising work of at least two (2) full time equivalent employees**, acting upon leave requests, conducting annual performance evaluations and recommending disciplinary actions. Interviewing and recommending selection of applicants and conducting training of personnel. All legal support workers not listed separately.

Nature of Work

Legal Support Worker Supervisor devotes a substantial portion of time assigning and directly supervising work of at least two (2) full time equivalent employees and performs highly specialized work requiring knowledge of technical terminology and procedures and protocols. They prepare correspondence and legal papers such as summonses, complaints, motions, responses, and subpoenas under the supervision of an attorney or a paralegal. They also review legal journals and assist with legal research by verifying quotes and citations in legal briefs.

Distinguishing Characteristics

The omission of specific statements does not preclude management from assigning other duties which are reasonably within the scope of the duties.

- Devotes a substantial portion of time assigning and directly supervising work of at least two
 (2) permanent/full time employees. Acts upon leave requests, conducts annual performance
 evaluations and recommends disciplinary actions.
- Conducts training of personnel; may interview and recommend selection of applicants.
- Provides career coaching through mentoring and arranges for outside training opportunities when possible.
- Makes well-informed, effective, and timely decisions and perceives the impact and implications of those decisions.
- Makes point of view in a clear and convincing manner.
- Listens effectively and clarifies information as needed.
- Identifies and analyzes problems; weighs relevance and accuracy of information; generates and evaluates alternative solutions; makes recommendations.
- Writes in a clear and concise manner.

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• Employees in this Role, under the direction and guidance of an attorney, perform investigations in difficult situations and identify and describe legal problem areas in consultation with a staff attorney.

Recommended Education and Experience for Full Performance

Associates degree in legal studies or related field and four (4) years of work experience drafting and preparing legal correspondence, conducting basic legal research and maintaining a case management/tracking system, two (2) years of which must be supervisory.

Minimum Qualifications

High School diploma or GED and two (2) years of work experience drafting and preparing legal correspondence, conducting basic legal research and maintaining a case management/tracking system.

Knowledge and Skills

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Knowledge

Leadership - Knowledge of leading through influence and persuasion by establishing mutual trust, respect, and loyalty, through shared beliefs, values, and goals; Being cognizant of subordinates' needs, goals, and aspirations, and to carefully consider these personal variables when making decisions.

Law and Government — Knowledge of laws, legal codes, court procedures, precedents, government regulations, executive orders, agency rules, and the democratic political process.

English Language — Knowledge of the structure and content of the English language including the meaning and spelling of words, rules of composition, and grammar.

Clerical — Knowledge of administrative and clerical procedures and systems such as word processing, managing files and records, stenography and transcription, designing forms, and other office procedures and terminology.

Customer and Personal Service — Knowledge of principles and processes for providing customer and personal services. This includes customer needs assessment, meeting quality standards for services, and evaluation of customer satisfaction.

Administration and Management — Knowledge of business and management principles involved in strategic planning, resource allocation, human resources modeling, leadership technique, production methods, and coordination of people and resources.

Skills

Leadership - Displaying attributes that makes employees willing to follow; applying effort to increase productiveness in areas needing the most improvement; establishing a spirit of cooperation and cohesion for achieving goals; making the right things happen on time; providing performance feedback, coaching, and career development to individuals to maximize their probability of success; giving subordinates the authority to get things accomplished in the most efficient and timely manner.

Reading Comprehension — Understanding written sentences and paragraphs in work related documents.

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Active Listening — Giving full attention to what other people are saying, taking time to understand the points being made, asking questions as appropriate, and not interrupting at inappropriate times.

Critical Thinking — Using logic and reasoning to identify the strengths and weaknesses of alternative solutions, conclusions or approaches to problems.

Speaking — Talking to others to convey information effectively.

Writing — Communicating effectively in writing as appropriate for the needs of the audience.

Complex Problem Solving — Identifying complex problems and reviewing related information to develop and evaluate options and implement solutions.

Active Learning — Understanding the implications of new information for both current and future problem-solving and decision-making.

Judgment and Decision Making — Considering the relative costs and benefits of potential actions to choose the most appropriate one.

Time Management — Managing ones own time and the time of others.

Coordination — Adjusting actions in relation to others' actions.

Statutory Requirements: N/A

Conditions of Employment: Working Conditions for individual positions in this classification will vary based on each *agency's utilization*, *essential functions*, and the *recruitment needs* at the time a vacancy is posted. All requirements are subject to possible modification to reasonably accommodate individuals with disabilities.

Default FLSA Status: Exempt.

Bargaining Unit: Not covered

Established: 07/27/2012 Revised:

Note: Classification description subject to change. Please refer to the SPO website <u>www.spo.state.nm.us</u> to ensure this represents the most current copy of the description.

^{**}Means two (2) or any combination of full-time equivalent (FTE) status that equals at least two (2) regular or term status employees in non-temporary positions.

^{***}Adapted from the United States Bureau of Labor Statistics and are intended to illustrate the typical education and experience required for this occupation. Not to be construed as minimum qualifications.