

## Open to the Public

### Departmental Solicitor II

#### Legal Services

#### Department of Justice & Public Safety

#### Location - Charlottetown

### Full-Time Excluded Position (Commencing Immediately)

This position involves professional legal work as a barrister, solicitor and attorney with the Department of Justice and Public Safety. The incumbent will provide a complete range of legal services to government departments and agencies, including providing legal services and advice to the Indigenous Relations Secretariat. Work consists of cases or legal problems involving conflicting legal principles or unique elements and requiring the interpretation of varied and complex legislation. Work may involve acting as legal advisor or counsel on matters of substantial importance to the operations of Government.

#### Duties include:

- Provide advice based on a review of applicable legislation, case law and/or legal principles on a wide variety of legal issues as the need arises within various departments;
- Required to represent several client departments; therefore, will need to provide advice on a range of issues and fact situations, including advice regarding contracts and agreements;
- Participate in projects which are in the planning stages to provide advice with respect to legal issues arising during the planning process;
- Conduct research and perform legal analysis;
- Routinely exercise judgment on the law independently and on short notice;
- Attend client meetings to gather factual information;
- Represent the Government before Courts and various boards (examples: Judicial Review matters, appeals of Government decisions to the Island Regulatory and Appeals Commission, Self-Insurance and Risk Management Fund, child protection);
- Preparation for hearings or trials can include the process of disclosure of documents, discovery, research, preparation of affidavits, briefs, factums or pre-trial conference memoranda and determining evidence requirements for hearing or trial;
- Advise the Indigenous Relations Secretariat regarding Government's legal and constitutional obligations, including obligations under existing contracts, agreements, orders-in-council and legislation;
- Provide general advice to various Government Departments regarding Government's duty to consult with First Nations when taking action that may impact First Nations claims or interests;
- Provide legal advice on special projects as required.

#### Minimum Qualifications:

- Graduation from a recognized law school and membership in the Law Society of Prince Edward Island is required;
- Must have extensive experience as a practicing lawyer, either in private practice or in the public sector; Applicants who do not have extensive experience may be considered for a provisional appointment.
- Experience with Indigenous law;
- Must have strong drafting, analytical, negotiation, mediation and litigation skills;
- Ability to work both independently in a self-directed manner and as an effective member of a team;
- Demonstrated ability to use legal research databases (Westlaw, CanLII);
- Must have excellent interpersonal, written and oral communication skills.

#### Other Qualifications:

- Additional relevant education and experience will be considered an asset.

**Note: Applicants are expected to complete the full length of this assignment unless appointed to a permanent position.**

**Note: Please ensure the application clearly demonstrates how you meet the noted qualifications as applicants will be screened based on the information provided. The successful candidate will be the only individual receiving written notification of competition results. The "Notification of Successful Candidates" list posted on the Employment Opportunity board will serve to inform all other applicants of competition results.**

**Salary Range:** \$52.37 – \$65.46 per hour (25S Excluded)  
**Bi-Weekly Hours:** 75.0 hours bi-weekly  
**Posting ID:** 156044-0323JPPI  
**Closing Date:** Thursday, March 23, 2023 5:00 p.m.

Please return forms to PEI Public Service Commission, P.O. Box 2000, Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island, C1A 7N8. Applications may be sent by fax to (902) 368-4383. IT IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE APPLICANT TO CONFIRM RECEIPT OF THE APPLICATION, BY TELEPHONE OR IN PERSON PRIOR TO THE CLOSING DATE. Please ensure that the appropriate Posting ID number is stated on all application forms. You can apply online or obtain an application form by visiting our web site at [www.gov.pe.ca/jobs](http://www.gov.pe.ca/jobs). Forms may also be obtained by contacting any PEI Government office, ACCESS PEI Centre, Regional Services Centre, or by telephone 368-4080.