



Gloucester County Job Description

POSITION: **Assistant Commonwealth Attorney I**
DEPARTMENT: **Commonwealth's Attorney**
JOB CODE: **A088**
FLSA: **Exempt**

GENERAL STATEMENT OF JOB: Under general supervision, performs professional work representing the Commonwealth in court. Prepares and prosecutes cases primarily in all local trial courts. Generally, works independently with supervision as needed. Work consists of case law research, preparation of legal briefs and motions, interviewing and preparing witnesses, and providing legal advice and expertise to law enforcement and other agencies during investigations. Completes work within the framework and mandates of any grant funding this position. Work involves considerable public contact. Employee must exercise independent judgment, initiative, tact and courtesy in various phases of work. This position is grant funded. In the event that grant funding is not sufficient to cover costs associated with this position, this position may be modified to conform to available grant funding or otherwise be eliminated. Reports to the Commonwealth's Attorney.

ESSENTIAL JOB FUNCTIONS:

1. Serves as prosecutor for the Commonwealth; gathers and analyzes evidence in cases and reviews pertinent decisions, policies, regulations, and other legal matters pertaining to case; interviews and prepares witnesses; appears against accused in court of law and presents evidence before judge, jury, or other judiciary.
2. Performs legal research to support cases being prosecuted; prepares legal briefs and opinions.
3. Establishes and maintains case files and other documentation to include any necessary grant related documentation that may fund and / or supplement this position.
4. Prepares legal briefs and motions.
5. Provides advice and guidance to law enforcement and other agencies.
6. Responds to inquiries from members of the community.
7. Performs other duties as assigned.
8. Maintains all policies and procedures set forth by the Commonwealth's Attorney including, but not limited to, a Statement of Appointment, Policy of Confidentiality and Social Media Policy.

EMPLOYEE UTILIZATION IN ADVERSE WEATHER AND EMERGENCY CONDITIONS

All Gloucester County employees are subject to being assigned to specific positions and tasks during a "Declared Emergency" as support personnel, by the County Administrator, the Emergency Management Director, or the Emergency Operations Plan (EOP). Once assigned, this would be the same as a regular work assignment and all policies and procedures for duty assignments apply. (Please see Gloucester County Administrative Policy 101.1 - Employee Utilization in Adverse Weather and Emergency Conditions.)

JOB LOCATION AND CONDITIONS:

Work is typically performed in an office or court setting with minimal exposure to hazardous chemicals or fumes.

REQUIRED KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS AND ABILITIES:

Broad knowledge of Virginia law pertaining to the operations, authorities and responsibilities of the office of the Commonwealth's Attorney, of the principles and procedures of civil law and criminal law, of statutory provisions applying to rules of order, and of legal research and investigation methodology, judicial procedure, and rules of evidence.

Skilled in criminal prosecution and legal writing.

Ability to interpret and apply laws and court decisions, and to use legal source material in technical research.

Ability to effectively express ideas orally and in writing, and to prepare correspondence, court orders, indictments, legal briefs, jury instructions, etc., using prescribed formats and conforming to all rules of punctuation, grammar, diction, and style.

Ability to establish and maintain effective working relationships as necessitated by work assignments.

Ability to speak before groups of people with poise, voice control and confidence.

Ability to use small office equipment, including copy machines or computers.

EDUCATION AND EXPERIENCE:

Juris Doctor Degree from an accredited school of law.

Six months to three (3) years of legal experience or any equivalent combination of education, training and experience, that provides the required knowledge, skills, and abilities.

NECESSARY SPECIAL QUALIFICATIONS:

Must be an active member, in good standing, of the Virginia State Bar.

PHYSICAL REQUIREMENTS

C = Continuous – over 6 hours a day F = Frequent – between 3 and 6 hours a day	O = Occasional – less than 3 hours a day I = Intermittent–several times a week/month	P = Periodic – several times a year N/A = Not applicable to position
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LIFT/CARRY						
1 to 10 lbs.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
11 to 20 lbs.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
21 to 50 lbs.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
51 to 75 lbs.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
76 to 100 lbs.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

PUSH/PULL						
1 to 10 lbs.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
11 to 20 lbs.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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76 to 100 lbs.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

MOVEMENT						
Carrying	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Bend/Stoop/Twist	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Kneel/Crawl	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Reach Above Shoulders	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Reach Below Shoulders	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Grasp/Squeeze	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Climb Stairs/Ladder	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Uneven Walking Surface	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Even Walking Surface	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

ENDURANCE						
Stationary Position (stand or sit)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Move, Traverse (walk)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Operate, Activate, Use, Prepare, Inspect, Place, Detect, Position (use of hands/fingers)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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EQUIPMENT USAGE & OPERATION						
Standard Office Equip.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Motor Vehicle	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Vehicle requiring CDL	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Other (explain)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

WORK WITH/NEAR						
Machinery	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Electricity	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Power Tools	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Chemicals	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Fumes	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Heights	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

ENVIRONMENT						
Indoors	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Outdoors	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Extreme Heat	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Extreme Cold	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Dusty	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Excessive Noise	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Other (explain)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

VISION REQUIREMENTS (Check all that apply)	
Depth Perception	<input type="checkbox"/>
Color Vision	<input type="checkbox"/>
Peripheral Vision	<input type="checkbox"/>
Uncorrected/Corrected vision 20/40 or better in one or both eyes; 100 degrees, or better, horizontal vision in one or both eyes	<input type="checkbox"/>