# Assistant Attorney General – Civil Division

**Job ID:** 38355
**Agency:** Office of Attorney General
**Location:** Pierre, SD
**Salary:** $90,000.00 - $115,000.00
**Pay Grade:** LI - LII
**Closing Date:** December 31, 2026

This is a full-time position with the Office of the Attorney General. For more information on the Office of the Attorney General, please visit http://atg.sd.gov.

The South Dakota Attorney General's Office seeks a motivated and skilled attorney to join its legal team as an Assistant Attorney General. This position will provide legal counsel and representation to various governmental entities on a broad range of complex matters involving Indian law, natural resources, public lands, taxation, and regulatory issues.

The successful candidate will have the opportunity to work on significant legal and policy matters affecting the State, its citizens, and its relationship with tribal governments. The position requires strong legal research, writing, analytical, negotiation, and advocacy skills, as well as the ability to manage multiple assignments and work collaboratively with state officials, agency personnel, and other stakeholders.

Additional responsibilities may include drafting and reviewing administrative rules, contracts, and legal memoranda; advising agency leadership and staff; conducting legal research; participating in negotiations; and representing the State in administrative and judicial proceedings.

## QUALIFICATIONS

Applicants must have a juris doctorate from an accredited law school, be licensed to practice law in South Dakota or can promptly obtain licensure, and have excellent writing, research, and communication skills. Assistant Attorneys General must uphold the highest degrees of professionalism, integrity, and sound judgment.

## COMPENSATION AND BENEFITS

Starting salary for this position ranges from $90,000 to $115,000 annually, depending on experience. On top of a set salary, the State of South Dakota has an exceptional benefit package including retirement, health insurance, paid leave, and paid training opportunities. More information on our benefits package can be found at: http://bhr.sd.gov.

## APPLICATION PROCESS

Applicants should submit a cover letter, resume containing three references, and a writing sample of no more than ten pages by **December 31, 2026**.

Submit application materials to Amanda Miiller, Civil Division Deputy, amanda.miiller@state.sd.us or online at http://bhr.sd.gov/workforus.

This position is exempt from the Civil Service Act.

This position is eligible for Veterans' Preference per ARSD 55:10:02:08.

*Successful applicant(s) will be required to undergo a background investigation. An arrest/conviction record will not necessarily bar employment. Successful applicant(s) will undergo an abuse and neglect screening. Offers of employment are conditional upon successful completion of a drug screening.*

The State of South Dakota does not sponsor work visas for new or existing employees. All persons hired will be required to verify identity and eligibility to work in the United States and complete an Employment Eligibility Verification, Form I-9. The State of South Dakota as an employer will be using E-Verify to complete employment eligibility verification upon hire.

The State of South Dakota offers employer paid health insurance plus eleven paid holidays, generous vacation and sick leave accrual, dental, vision, and other insurance options, and retirement benefits. You can view our benefits information at https://bhr.sd.gov/job-seekers/work-for-state-government/. This position is a member of Class A retirement under SDRS.

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