

Who we are:

The Department of Environment and Conservation exists to enhance the quality of life for citizens of Tennessee and to be stewards of our natural environment.

We foster a work environment that's inclusive as well as diverse, where our people can be themselves. Every idea and perspective is valued so that our culture reflects the people we serve.

Our Department is committed to providing a cleaner, safer environment that goes hand-in-hand with economic prosperity and increased quality of life in Tennessee. We deliver on our mission through managing regulatory programs that maintain standards for air, water and soil quality while providing assistance to businesses and communities in areas ranging from recreation to waste management. We manage the state park system and programs to inventory, interpret and protect Tennessee's rich natural, historical, and archaeological heritage.

About the Office of General Counsel:

TDEC's Office of General Counsel has approximately 30 team members who support TDEC's mission through the Talent, Dedication, Engagement, and Character of its staff who provide exceptional services as partners and facilitators to both internal and external clients and stakeholders. OGC staff exhibit:

Talent – knowledge, experience and intellectual attainment, creativity and skill in negotiation, investigation, and problem solving;

Dedication – hard work and persistence;

Engagement – communication and involvement with programs to provide better services; and

Character – ethical behavior and a high value placed on serving the public and fairness in interactions.



Senior Historic Preservation Attorney TDEC Office of General Counsel Annual Salary Range: \$69,588 – \$125,232

TDEC's Office of General Counsel (OGC) has a welcoming and collaborative culture focused on development and fostering success among its staff. OGC is adding a Senior Historic Preservation Attorney to its team to support the Tennessee Historical Commission and Tennessee Historical Commission staff. This is an exciting opportunity for an attorney who wants to join a mission driven team focused on delivering quality work in accordance with the highest ethical standards while enjoying an excellent work-life balance. The position is located in at our Central Office in Nashville, TN. Currently, TDEC employees are working in alternative workspaces from their home with the flexibility to have scheduled time in their assigned office.

This position covers a wide range of legal needs, including implementation of the Tennessee Heritage Protection Act, the National Historic Preservation Act, acquisition and disposal of property, maintenance of historic sites, grant administration, and procurement. The position requires a Tennessee law license and at least six years of experience in the full-time practice of law. Experience with property law, government contracting, administrative procedure, and historic preservation is preferred. To apply for this position, please attach a resume and cover letter to your application at <http://www.tn.gov/careers>.

Highlighted Responsibilities:

- Provide legal advice and support, including making presentations, to the members of the Commission and staff, relative to public records, open meetings, and the subjects described in this posting.
- Advise members of the Commission and staff concerning petitions for waivers and declaratory orders and complaints filed pursuant to the THPA.
- Assist Commission staff with implementation of the National Historic Preservation Act in Tennessee, including the certified local government program.
- Assist members of the Commission and staff with developing rules, guidance, and policies.
- When needed, handle special projects quickly and efficiently.
- Provide support and advice to others within the Office of General Counsel.

Pursuant to the State of Tennessee's Workplace Discrimination and Harassment policy, the State is firmly committed to the principle of fair and equal employment opportunities for its citizens and strives to protect the rights and opportunities of all people to seek, obtain, and hold employment without being subjected to illegal discrimination and harassment in the workplace. It is the State's policy to provide an environment free of discrimination and harassment of an individual because of that person's race, color, national origin, age (40 and over), sex, pregnancy, religion, creed, disability, veteran's status or any other category protected by state and/or federal civil rights laws.