

SPECIAL ASSISTANT UNITED STATES ATTORNEY
UNITED STATES ATTORNEY'S OFFICE
District of Idaho
and
ADA COUNTY PROSECUTOR'S OFFICE

About the Office:

The United States Attorney's Office represents the United States in criminal and civil actions in federal district court throughout the state of Idaho. It has offices in Boise, Pocatello, and Coeur d'Alene. The Civil Division has seven attorneys. It is based in Boise. The Criminal Division has approximately 22 attorneys, with attorneys in Boise, Coeur d'Alene, and Pocatello.

This Special Assistant United States Attorney (Special AUSA) position is located in the Criminal Division, in the main office in Boise, Idaho. Boise is located in the Treasure Valley, in which 40 percent of Idaho's population resides. The Special AUSA will be employed by the Ada County Prosecuting Attorney's Office. Although the Special AUSA will be officially employed by Ada County, the attorney will work in the U.S. Attorney's Office in Boise and will work exclusively on federal criminal cases in U.S. District Court.

**Responsibilities and
Opportunity Offered:**

The selected applicant will be responsible for handling a heavy criminal caseload prosecuting drug trafficking organizations operating in Ada and Canyon Counties, using a broad array of federal criminal statutes, including distributions of drugs, possession with intent to distribute drugs, drug conspiracy, maintaining drug-involved premises, possession of firearms in furtherance of drug trafficking crimes, money laundering, continuing criminal enterprises, and asset forfeiture.

This position is funded by the High Intensity Drug Trafficking Areas (HIDTA) program. The program was created by Congress in the Anti-Drug Abuse Act of 1988. It provides assistance to federal, state, local, and tribal law enforcement agencies operating in areas determined to be critical drug-trafficking regions of the United States. HIDTA has funded the position through the Ada County Prosecuting Attorney's Office.

Qualifications:

Required qualifications: Applicants must possess a J.D. degree, be an active member of the Idaho State Bar, and have at least two years post-J.D. experience.

Preferred qualifications: Ideally, an applicant will have: a record of academic excellence, demonstrated commitment to public service, experience as a federal or state law clerk, three to five years of experience as a prosecutor, a strong desire to practice in Idaho, and experience planning and executing case strategy. In addition, the ideal applicant will demonstrate superior written and oral communication

skills, superior research skills, and a demonstrated ability to work well with others, including support staff, peers, federal agents, and supervisors.

Travel:

Occasional travel is required, both within and outside the District of Idaho.

Type of Position:

A temporary, grant-funded Ada County Deputy Prosecuting Attorney, who will serve as a Special AUSA full-time in the U.S. Attorney's Office. Funding for four years was initially authorized, fiscal years 2015 through 2018, then re-authorized for single years in 2019, 2020, and 2021. Presently, funding is available through the close of calendar year 2021. An additional year of funding has been requested, but not yet authorized. Actual funding is subject to availability.

Salary Information:

Pay will be determined, in part, based on the number years of attorney experience. The range of pay is \$67,000 to \$75,000.

Status:

Full-time with benefits

Location:

Boise, Idaho

Relocation Expenses:

Relocation expenses will not be authorized.

Application Process and Deadline Date:

Applications must be received no later than **September 18, 2020**. Application packages must include a cover letter, resume, writing sample (ideally, edited solely by the applicant and 7-12 pages in length, with substantive legal analysis), and two references who may be called at any time during the hiring process.

Please submit your application package to Bart M. Davis, United States Attorney c/o Becky Early at:

Becky.early@usdoj.gov

No telephone calls please.

Department Policies:

The United States Attorney's Office and the Ada County Prosecutor's Office are Equal Opportunity/Reasonable Accommodation Employers. Appointment is subject to the successful completion of a background investigation and applicant will be subject to drug testing by urinalysis to screen for illegal drug use prior to appointment. Incumbent is subject to random drug testing during employment. A successful applicant must qualify for adequate professional liability coverage to meet the requirements of the position.

A Special AUSA must reside in the district to which the attorney is appointed.