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JOB ANNOUNCEMENT

**Assistant Attorney General
Executive Division**

Posting Date: November 15, 2022

Closing Date: December 5, 2022

Job Title: Assistant Attorney General

Position Type: Regular Full Time

Location: Office of the Attorney General, 200 St. Paul Place, Baltimore, Maryland

Description: The Office of Attorney General is seeking applicants for a full-time attorney to assist in conducting an independent audit of in-custody death determinations made by the Maryland Office of the Chief Medical Examiner (OCME) during the tenure of Dr. David Fowler. In May 2021, Attorney General Frosh announced that, in consultation with Governor Hogan's Office of Legal Counsel, the Office of Attorney General would conduct an independent audit of in-custody death determinations made by the OCME under Dr. Fowler. The decision to conduct the audit followed a request by hundreds of medical professionals to undertake a review of Dr. Fowler's work in the wake of his testimony in the trial of Derek Chauvin. The audit will occur in two phases. The first phase, completed last month, charged an expert team of forensic pathologists and behavioral scientists (the Audit Design Team or ADT) with developing the design for the audit. That [report](#) recommended that an independent group of forensic pathologists perform a detailed review of approximately 100 OCME cases involving physical restraint of the decedent. This review (phase two) will determine whether independent experts agree with the OCME's determinations of cause and manner of death, whether they believe the OCME's determinations were based on adequate investigations, and whether changes are needed to improve the OCME's practices. Consistent with the recommendations of the ADT, OAG will recruit additional independent forensic pathologists and other experts (the Audit Team) to perform a detailed review of OCME's files.

The Assistant Attorney General will support the work of the audit by: staffing the Audit Team; serving as a liaison between the Audit Team and the ADT, government officials, and other key stakeholders; coordinating outreach to and communication with members of the public regarding the work of the Audit Team; researching and analyzing trends and best practices in manner of death determinations by medical examiners in physical restraint cases; overseeing the development of the Audit Team's findings and recommendations; advancing related policy recommendations by conducting presentations and preparing and delivering written and oral testimony before legislative bodies and corresponding with elected officials; and performing other duties as assigned.

Experience: Minimum requirements: admission to the Maryland Bar. Professional experience or educational training in related field of expertise such as criminal justice or civil rights preferred.

Submission: Interested persons should submit their resume, cover letter, two references, and a writing sample to Zenita Wickham Hurley, Chief Counsel for Civil Rights, at zhurley@oag.state.md.us by close of business on Monday, December 5, 2022. **Please write "AAG-OCME" in the subject of the email.**

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