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JOB ANNOUNCEMENT
Deputy Counsel for Litigation and Advice
Department of Natural Resources

Posting Date:	April 29, 2022	**Closing Date:**	May 13, 2022
Job Title:	Deputy Counsel for Litigation and Advice	**Position Type:**	Regular Full Time
Location:	**Office of the Attorney General, Department of Natural Resources** **580 Taylor Avenue, Annapolis, Maryland**		

Description: The Office of the Attorney General is seeking an attorney to serve as Deputy Counsel for Litigation and Advice to the Maryland Department of Natural Resources (DNR or Department). This position is responsible for managing legal advice to and litigation involving all programs within and associated with the Department, including the Natural Resources Police, Maryland Environmental Trust, the Chesapeake and Atlantic Coastal Bays Critical Area Commission, and the Chesapeake Bay Trust. Supervises the litigation and advice work of assistant attorneys general and support staff. Litigation handled by the unit includes enforcement actions and contested case hearings before the Office of Administrative Hearings, and civil actions in state and federal courts. Litigation subject matters include, among other things, enforcement of natural resources laws related to fisheries and tree expert licensure, defending aquaculture lease decisions, defending DNR's real property interests, tort defense, contracts, and employment actions. The unit's legal advice touches upon all aspects of natural resources law and law of government administration, including employment law, contract and procurement, open government, and legislation and regulation.

Experience: The ideal candidate will have a minimum of seven years legal experience, including extensive litigation experience. Exceptional legal research and writing skills, as well as organizational and problem-solving skills, are essential. Supervisory or other leadership experience is preferred. Maryland bar required.

Submission: Interested persons should submit a resume, cover letter, a writing sample, and list of three references, all in PDF, to Paul J. Cucuzzella, Principal Counsel, Maryland Department of Natural Resources, at paul.cucuzzella@maryland.gov by close of business on Friday, May 13, 2022.

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