



EMPLOYMENT
OPPORTUNITY
ANNOUNCEMENT
STATE OF NEW YORK
UNIFIED COURT SYSTEM

PLEASE POST
ANNOUNCEMENT NO. 9613

POSITION TITLE: PRINCIPAL COURT ATTORNEY

JG: 31

LOCATION: 9TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT
ADMINISTRATION

BASE SALARY: \$ 130,061 + \$4,920 LOCATION PAY (WESTCHESTER & ROCKLAND COUNTY)
+ \$2,460 LOCATION PAY (ORANGE, PUTNAM & DUTCHESS COUNTY)

CLASSIFICATION: NON-COMPETITIVE/CONFIDENTIAL

QUALIFICATIONS: Admission to the New York State Bar; **and** Three (3) years of service in the Associate Court Attorney title; **or** Eight (8) years of relevant legal experience gained after admission to the New York State Bar.

DISTINGUISHING FEATURES OF WORK: Principal Court Attorneys serve in a confidential capacity and are responsible for overseeing the operations of special parts, terms or departments in courts with a service population exceeding 400,000. They assist the Chief Court Attorney or Supervising Court Attorney in formulation and implementation of office policy, supervision and administering the operations of a law department. Principal Court Attorneys research and analyze complex legal issues and questions for the court, may be designated to act as special referees and perform other related duties.

ASSIGNMENT: This position will serve as the Special Counsel for the 9th Judicial District City Courts. Duties include but are not limited to: assigning legal research and evaluating completed work; assisting in the formulation and implementation of administrative and substantive policy; making suggestions to judges for improving court operations; researching and analyzing complex legal questions and issues; writing confidential legal memoranda and recommending decisions; responding to complaints/inquiries; collaborating with department heads and agency officials both inside and outside UCS; setting up CAP; meeting with Judges on legal issues; drafting confidential opinions, decisions, orders, jury charges, and correspondence and arranging and conducting conferences with litigants and other parties to action. Travel will be required. Knowledge and experience in city court practice preferred. Position may be eligible for 20% remote work as part of a pilot program: eligibility is at the discretion of the Court and its Law Department and may be subject to change based upon the needs of the court.

GENERAL INFORMATION: The above statements are intended to describe the general nature and level of work being performed by persons assigned to this title. They do not include all job duties performed by employees in the title, and every position does not necessarily require these duties. Although a position is available and situated at a specific location, the appointee may be subject to reassignment to any position in the same title in this promotion unit dependent upon the needs of the Unified Court System. All applications received from this announcement may be used to fill any vacancies in this title that may occur in this court or agency within the next six (6) months. Position(s) available at the present time: 1.

APPLICATION PROCEDURES: All interested persons meeting the minimum qualifications are encouraged to submit a UCS-5 Application for Employment form (obtainable from any administrative office in a court building or on the web at www.nycourts.gov/careers/UCS5.pdf) and a resume and cover letter by email to 9jDemployeeinformation@nycourts.gov or by mail to:

HON. ANNE E. MINIHAN, J.S.C.
ADMINISTRATIVE JUDGE - 9TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT
WESTCHESTER COUNTY COURTHOUSE
111 DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. BLVD
WHITE PLAINS, NY 10601

[APPLICANTS ARE ENCOURAGED TO COMPLETE THE EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY DATA COLLECTION FORM.](#)

POSTING DATE: April 10, 2026

APPLICATIONS MUST BE POSTMARKED OR RECEIVED BY: May 8, 2026

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