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ANNOUNCEMENT OF JOB POSTING

Investigator/Mitigation Specialist Position — Capital Habeas Unit

The Office of the Federal Public Defender for the Northern District of Ohio announces an immediate opening for an **INVESTIGATOR/MITIGATION SPECIALIST** in our new capital habeas unit located in Cleveland. In accordance with the Criminal Justice Act, the FPD provides representation to individuals in federal criminal cases who are financially unable to retain counsel. The capital habeas unit focuses on the representation of death-sentenced prisoners. The successful applicant will play an integral role in the development and work-up of guilt phase and penalty phase issues as well as mitigation. Related duties include locating and interviewing witnesses, serving subpoenas, and locating and retrieving documents and other evidence.

Applicants must possess substantial investigative and mitigation experience, including the investigation and development of defense mitigation presentations in capital trials or post-conviction cases. Mitigation experience in this context includes previous work on mental health and mental retardation issues. Those without demonstrated mitigation experience will be considered if the applicant possesses experience with mental health or social work issues, or with the preparation of trial in complex matters within the federal courts. Knowledge of federal and state court systems and a familiarity with federal habeas corpus or other post-conviction litigation and/or complex federal civil or criminal litigation would be an asset. Applicants must possess excellent oral and written communication skills, interpersonal skills and the ability to work well with others in a team-based approach. Applicants must possess a valid driver's license, insurance, and own/operate a personal vehicle for business purposes. An ability to engage in significant travel is required as is some night and weekend work. Above all, applicants must have a strong commitment to providing first-rate representation support to indigent persons in proceedings under criminal law.

This is a full-time position with federal salary and benefits based on qualifications and experience. This position carries certain federal government employment benefits, including health and life insurance, retirement, and the Thrift Savings Plan. The position is subject to mandatory electronic funds transfer participation for payment of net pay. Employment is provisional pending the successful completion of a required background check.

Qualified persons may apply by forwarding a letter of interest, a resume, and a list of three

references to:

Office of the Federal Public Defender
ATTN: Investigator/Mitigation Specialist
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All applications must be postmarked by **July 14, 2008**. No telephone or email inquiries please. EOE.