

**Company:**

Missouri Department of Social Services, Children's Division

**Posting Description:**

Come join the Missouri Children's Division! New opportunity for attorneys passionate about helping remove legal barriers to permanency for children in foster care! Children's Division is seeking attorneys for full-time positions to work side by side with our social workers to attain permanency for children in foster care. Attorneys are needed in the following areas: Jackson County, St. Louis County, and the 25<sup>th</sup> and 39<sup>th</sup> Circuits. Attorneys will provide legal assistance in ongoing cases from the time a petition is filed until the time a child reaches permanency through reunification, guardianship, or adoption.

**QUALIFICATIONS:** A Juris Doctorate from an accredited institution and member of the Missouri Bar. Litigation experience preferred. Experience in juvenile, family, or administrative law preferred. Excellent research and writing skills are required. Overnight travel may be required.

**ANNUAL SALARY RANGE:** \$45,500-50,500, depending on work experience.

**BENEFITS:** You and your family will have access to a range of benefits designed to make your career with the Children's Division very rewarding. We offer an excellent benefits package including coverage under the Missouri State Employees Retirement System, Missouri Consolidated Health Care Plan, deferred compensation plan, sick and annual leave, insurance benefits and more. This position may also entitle you to participate in the Public Service Loan Forgiveness Program.

**How to Apply/Interested Parties:**

**TO APPLY:** The deadline to apply is July 31. Submit the DSS Application <https://dss.mo.gov/hrc/pdf/MO886-1315.pdf>, a resume, cover letter, a writing sample, and three references via email to: [Megan.Dittmann@dss.mo.gov](mailto:Megan.Dittmann@dss.mo.gov).

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