

Part-Time/PRN Municipal Public Defender City of Cayce

Position Summary:

The City of Cayce is seeking a qualified and motivated attorney to serve as a **Part-Time or PRN Public Defender**. This position offers a flexible, as-needed schedule with no set hours and is ideal for candidates seeking a part-time public interest legal work in criminal defense.

Key Responsibilities:

- Represent indigent defendants in Cayce Municipal Court, including coverage on:
 - Tuesdays at 8:00 AM
 - Thursdays at 2:30 PM
- Be available on an as-needed basis for pretrials and jury trials, which may be scheduled any weekday, Monday through Friday.
- Provide legal counsel to clients from initial appearance through resolution, including advising on plea offers, trial strategy, and sentencing.
- Maintain timely communication with clients and their families regarding case status and legal options.
- Work collaboratively with court staff, prosecutors, and law enforcement while maintaining zealous advocacy for clients.

Qualifications:

- Juris Doctor (J.D.) from an accredited law school.
- Active membership in good standing with the South Carolina Bar.
- Experience in criminal defense, public defense, or trial work preferred.
- Strong advocacy skills, legal judgment, and commitment to ethical representation.
- Valid driver's license.

Compensation Options:

Contract Basis: Hourly compensation based on experience.

OR

Salaried Position: Part-time salary with benefits package (for eligible candidates).

Work Schedule:

- No fixed weekly hours.
- Availability required for court coverage, scheduled legal proceedings, and responsive communication with clients and court staff as needed.

How to Apply: Please visit the City of Cayce's website at https://caycesc.gov/ to apply online.

Deadline: November 30, 2025

Equal Opportunity Employer:

The City of Cayce is an Equal Opportunity Employer. To perform this job successfully, an individual must be able to perform the essential job functions satisfactorily. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the primary job functions herein described. Since every duty associated with this position may not be described herein, employees may be required to perform duties not specifically spelled out in the job description, but which may be reasonably considered to be incidental in the performance of their duties just as though they were written out in this job description.