



Superior Court of California, Contra Costa County Martinez

Seeking Civil and Criminal Contract Research Attorneys

The Superior Court of Contra Costa County seeks attorneys with a minimum of 5 years of legal experience in their field and an active State Bar Membership to join its panel of Independent Contract Research Attorneys. Experience as a court legal research attorney preferred.

Civil research attorneys will conduct legal research and prepare memoranda of law and proposed tentative rulings for a variety of law and motion matters.

Criminal research attorneys will review the legal sufficiency of: motions to dismiss; motions to suppress; speedy trial motions; discovery motions; motions to change venue; pre-trial and common law motions; post-trial and post-conviction motions; and writs of prohibition, mandamus and habeas corpus. Knowledge of grants of immunity, sentencing alternatives, and sentencing computations under the determinate sentencing law, probation revocation/modification, and admissibility of evidence is also required.

Attorneys in this contract position perform occasional overflow research and writing work, and the position does not guarantee a particular number of contract hours at any time. Applicants should reside close enough to Martinez to occasionally travel to the Court as needed. Attorneys may not engage in the active practice of law in Contra Costa County in the case type they are assigned to while on the panel.

Contractor rate is \$50 per hour. The period of empanelment will be mutually decided between the Court and the Research Attorney. The standard contract terms are one year contract period with four one year options to extend.

The individual(s) selected for these positions will be required to successfully complete a criminal history check conducted by the Contra Costa County Office of the Sheriff. The fees for the background check will be paid by the Court.

Please submit a letter of interest along with a resume and a writing sample (maximum of 10 pages) to: CCCourtRFPs@contracosta.courts.ca.gov.