



**STATE OF MAINE  
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC ADVOCATE  
ANTICIPATED VACANCY FOR SENIOR COUNSEL  
Hallowell, Maine 04347**

**Opening Date: October 26, 2020**  
**Job Class Code: OC03/OC04**  
**Salary Grade: 36/37 (Confidential)**

**Closing Date: November 10, 2020**  
**Position Number: 095500002**  
**Salary Range: \$76,336.00 - \$110,052.80**

The State of Maine, Executive Department, Office of the Public Advocate (OPA), represents the interests of Maine users of utility services, including electricity, natural gas, water and telecommunications.

We are seeking an experienced attorney for the anticipated vacant position of Senior Counsel. As Senior Counsel, you will represent consumers in electricity, natural gas, telecommunications and water proceedings before the Maine Public Utilities Commission and applicable federal regulatory bodies; both individually and in collaboration with other OPA attorneys and consultants. In addition, you will assist in developing policy positions and consumer information for the Office's advocacy before the Maine Legislature and to the public at large.

The following internet site provides information on the Office of the Public Advocate, State of Maine:  
<http://www.maine.gov/meopa/>

**MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:**

- A successful candidate will have a minimum of four years of experience practicing law. A strong preference will be offered to candidates with previous experience with state or federal utility regulation. Preference will be offered to candidates with experience practicing state or federal administrative law, or with professional experience or education in the fields of accounting, finance, engineering or economics;
- Applicants must be members of the Maine Bar in good standing or capable of becoming admitted within a reasonable time; have demonstrated ability to function effectively as part of a team; and have strong legal advocacy, research, and writing skills. Good organizational and time management skills are essential.

The position is based in Hallowell, Maine. Application Packets should consist of: Cover Letter, Resume and a Sample of Legal Writing.

**BENEFITS**

**Value of State's share of Employee's Retirement:** 18.91% of pay

**Value of State-paid Dental Insurance:** \$14.60 biweekly

**Value of State-paid Health Insurance\*:**

**Level 1:** 100% State Contribution = \$470.99 biweekly (employee pays nothing)

**Level 2:** 95% State Contribution = \$447.44 biweekly (Employee pays: 5%)

**Level 3:** 90% State Contribution = \$423.89 biweekly (Employee pays: 10%)

**Level 4:** 85% State Contribution = \$400.34 biweekly (Employee pays: 15%)

*\*The bi-weekly dollar values of some State-paid benefits for full-time employees include: \$14.60 for dental insurance; 14.11% of employee's pay towards retirement; and, depending on the employee's annual pay, at least 85% (\$400.34) of health insurance premiums. Participation in the [Health Premium Credit Program](#) can increase state-paid health insurance benefits by 5%.*

*The State of Maine is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action employer. We provide reasonable accommodations to qualified individuals with disabilities upon request.*