## U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE TAX DIVISION, CIVIL TRIAL SECTIONS WASHINGTON, D.C.

## **Litigators Wanted**

The Tax Division is hiring civil trial lawyers with at least one year of litigation experience and top academic credentials. The Tax Division represents the United States in tax-related litigation in federal and state courts across the country. These cases involve a wide variety of substantive legal areas, including federal tax law, bankruptcy law, constitutional law, commercial law and state property law, as well as a panoply of evidentiary, procedural, and jurisdictional issues.

Tax Division trial attorneys have a significant amount of responsibility and work in a collegial environment with experienced litigators. We seek candidates who have a passion for litigation, a deep interest in public service, the ability to work both collaboratively and independently, and a willingness to travel. Complex civil litigation experience is preferred. Expertise in tax law is not required; strong writing and oral-advocacy skills are.

The Tax Division seeks to create a work environment and organizational culture that reflect the diversity of American society and that foster the success of every employee by appreciating and building upon the skills, experiences, and uniqueness that each employee brings to the workplace.

The salary range is \$73,000 - \$153,200. (Salaries listed are 2009 salary ranges). Attorneys hired by the Tax Division are required to serve a minimum of four years. Interested applicants should send a cover letter (or cover email), resume, law school and any advanced degree transcripts, a list of three professional references, and a writing sample to <a href="mailto:DOJ.TaxCivil@usdoj.gov">DOJ.TaxCivil@usdoj.gov</a>. Application materials should be submitted in Microsoft Word or PDF format only. Applications will be considered on a rolling basis and should be submitted no later than January 11, 2010.

More information about the Civil Trial Sections is available at: http://www.usdoj.gov/tax.

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basis. Candidates requiring an alternative method of submitting an application should contact the Human Resources Office at 202-616-2774.

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There is no formal rating system for applying veterans' preference to attorney appointments in the excepted service; however, the Department of Justice considers veterans' preference eligibility as a positive factor in attorney hiring. Applicants eligible for veterans' preference must include that information in their cover letter or resume and attach supporting documentation (e.g., the DD 214, Certificate of Release or Discharge from Active Duty and other supporting documentation) to their submissions. Although the "point" system is not used, per se, applicants eligible to claim 10-point preference must submit Standard Form (SF) 15, Application for 10-Point Veteran Preference, and submit the supporting documentation required for the specific type of preference claimed (visit the OPM website, http://www.opm.gov/forms/pdfimage/sf0015.pdf for a copy of SF 15, which lists the types of 10point preferences and the required supporting documents). Applicants should note that SF 15 requires supporting documentation associated with service-connected disabilities or receipt of nonservice-connected disability pensions to be dated within the last 12 months except in the case of service members submitting official statements or retirement orders from a branch of the Armed Forces showing that his or her retirement was due to a permanent service-connected disability or that he/she was transferred to the permanent disability retired list (the statement or retirement orders must indicate that the disability is 10% or more).

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