



Solano County Public Defender Investigator

SALARY	\$46.12 - \$56.06 Hourly \$3,689.57 - \$4,484.69 Biweekly	LOCATION	Fairfield, CA
JOB TYPE	Full-Time	JOB NUMBER	26-413100-01
DEPARTMENT	Public Defender Dept	DIVISION	Pub Dfndr-Operations
OPENING DATE	04/09/2026	CLOSING DATE	4/27/2026 5:00 PM Pacific
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WHY WE EXIST

It is the mission of the Public Defender to protect and defend the rights of our indigent clients through effective, vigorous, zealous, compassionate, ethical and creative legal advocacy. The Office of the Public Defender, as guardians of liberty, ensures that the accused of today and tomorrow are given the fundamental protection of the United States Constitution, the Bill of Rights, and the California Constitution.

To learn more about the Public Defender's Office, please visit: [Office of the Public Defender](#)

Essential Duties

The Public Defender is currently recruiting for a Public Defender Investigator who plans and conducts investigations to gather information for use in the legal defense of criminal and civil charges. Incumbents work with minimal supervision, determining own work priorities and methods after consulting with defense attorneys requesting investigative support. Incumbents perform a broad range of investigative duties including those of a complex nature, requiring competency in law enforcement methods and investigative techniques.

The eligible list created as a result of this recruitment will be used to fill part-time and full-time regular, limited-term or extra-help positions as vacancies occur.

POSITION REQUIREMENTS:

Experience: Two (2) years of criminal investigation experience; **AND**

Education: Associate's degree is required from an accredited college, preferably in Criminal Justice or a closely related field.

SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS:

Possession of, or ability to obtain, a valid Class C California driver's license is required.

To view the job description for this position, please visit: [Public Defender Investigator](#)

Position Requirements

SELECTION PROCESS:

04/27/26 - 5:00pm – Deadline to submit application and required documents.

Based on the information provided in the application documents, the qualified applicants may be invited for further examination and will either be pre-scheduled by the Department of Human Resources or be invited to self-schedule. All applicants meeting the minimum qualifications are not guaranteed advancement through any subsequent phase of the examination. Depending upon the number of applications received, the selection process may consist of an initial application screening, a mandatory information meeting, a supplemental questionnaire assessment, a written and/or practical exam, an oral board exam, or any combination listed. Responses to supplemental questions may be used as screening and testing mechanisms and will be used to assess an applicant's ability to advance in the process; as such, responses to supplemental questions should be treated as test examination responses. Information contained herein does not constitute either an expressed or implied contract.

A minimum score of 70% is required to continue in the selection process, unless otherwise announced.

All potential new hires and employees considered for promotion to management, confidential positions or unrepresented positions will be subject to a background and reference check after contingent job offer is accepted. These provisions are subject to change.

RETIREEES - Solano County invites all qualified candidates to apply for positions; however pursuant to Government Code Section 21221(h) and 21224, hiring restrictions may apply to California Public Sector Pension Plan Retirees.

PLEASE NOTE THE FOLLOWING: Candidates who attended a college or university that is accredited by a foreign or non-U.S. accrediting agency must have their educational units evaluated by an educational evaluation service. The result must be submitted to the Human Resources Department no later than the close of the recruitment. Please contact the local college or university to learn where this service can be obtained.

How to Submit Your Documents

In addition to uploading attachments when applying online, candidates may submit documents by fax to (707) 784-3424, or by email to recruitment@solanocounty.com. Be sure to include the recruitment title (PUBLIC DEFENDER INVESTIGATOR) and the recruitment number (26-413100-01) in your email or fax.

HOW TO APPLY

Applications must be submitted through the NeoGov system. Paper copies of applications are not accepted. All additional application materials as requested in the job announcement (e.g.: degree/transcripts, certificates, licenses, DD-214, ADA Accommodation Request, etc.) must be submitted by the final review date. Resumes are not accepted in lieu of completing the application. You will be evaluated based on the information provided on the application. Please ensure any experience you believe qualifies you for the job is reflected in your application's employment history. When completing employment details, do not write "see resume," as resumes will not be reviewed and this will be considered an incomplete application.

Supplemental Information**Veteran's Preference Points**

To be eligible, applicant must have served at least 181 consecutive days of active duty in the Armed Forces of the United States and have received either an honorable discharge or a general discharge under honorable conditions. A COPY OF THE DD 214, SHOWING DISCHARGE TYPE (GENERALLY COPY 4), MUST BE RECEIVED IN THE HUMAN RESOURCES DEPARTMENT BY THE FINAL FILING DATE (or APPLICATION REVIEW DEADLINE). Applicants who have a service connected disability must also submit a recent award letter from the VA stating they are receiving disability benefits for service connected reasons.

Veteran applicants for initial County employment with an honorable or general under conditions discharge shall receive five (5) points added to their combined score. Disabled veterans rated at not less than 30% disability shall have ten (10) points added to their combined score. Veteran's preference points will only be added to passing scores in competitive open examinations.

Americans with Disabilities Act

It is the policy of Solano County that all employment decisions and personnel policies will be applied equally to all County employees and applicants and be based upon the needs of County service, job related merit, and ability to perform the job.

APPLICANTS WITH DISABILITIES: Qualified individuals with a disability, who are able to perform the essential functions of the job, with or without reasonable accommodation, and need an accommodation during any phase of the recruitment/testing/examination process (as detailed in the "Selection Process"), must complete the following [Request for Testing Accommodation by Applicants with Disabilities Form \(Download PDF reader\)](#).

This form must be received in the Human Resources Department by the application review deadline. Applicants will be contacted to discuss the specifics of the request.

Employer

Solano County

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Fairfield, California, 94533

Phone

(707) 784-6170

Website<https://www.solanocounty.gov/>

Public Defender Investigator Supplemental Questionnaire

*QUESTION 1

This Supplemental Questionnaire will be used to determine applicants' qualifications for this position and assess an applicant's ability to advance in the recruitment process; therefore, applicants are encouraged to answer all questions thoroughly and completely. Omitted information will not be considered or assumed. Applicants who have no experience in a specific area are recommended to state "no experience in this area" instead of leaving the space blank. Please note that the experience in your answers must be reflected in your employment history.

I acknowledge

*QUESTION 2

For the questions below, please confirm that you will (1) not include any case specific names or other information.

Yes

No

*QUESTION 3

Please confirm whether you were employed by the defense or prosecution.

Yes

No

*QUESTION 4

Provide details of your previous investigative efforts in a felony/misdemeanor criminal case or other significant experience.

*QUESTION 5

Provide details of your previous investigative experience providing trial support to an attorney or law firm.

*QUESTION 6

Provide details on your experience testifying as witness in a criminal/civil trial or administrative hearing.

*QUESTION 7

Positions assigned to this classification are required to drive. Do you possess a valid Driver's License?

Yes

No

*QUESTION 8

If you have a valid Driver's License, please provide the State and Driver's License number. If you do not have a valid Driver's License, please write "n/a."

* Required Question