



About the San Mateo County Attorney's Office

The County Attorney's Office is the general counsel for the County of San Mateo and all of its departments, as well as for many special districts and boards and commissions. As a large company might utilize its in-house counsel, our clients rely on our office for the full range of legal services, covering a broad spectrum of practice areas. The Office's 33 attorneys handle nearly all of the County's civil litigation, including employment, contract, personal injury, probate matters, civil rights, child welfare, taxation, environmental law and impact litigation. In addition, our attorneys provide the kind of day-to-day legal services expected from any in-house attorney, including advice and counsel in areas such as health care, land use, real estate, social services, housing, public contracting, public finance, clean energy, child welfare, construction and privacy law.

We provide legal services to all 23 San Mateo County school districts as well as the County Office of Education, with respect to both general education and special education matters. Our Schools Team created the legal framework underpinning the San Mateo County Coalition for Safe Schools & Communities, a collaborative multi-agency group formed to identify and address safety needs of county youth. We also played an instrumental role in developing the student threat assessment and other school safety protocols including the Pandemic Recovery Framework.

The Office is currently partnering with the County Executive's Office and the Chief Equity Officer to develop and implement equity efforts including legal support of anchor institution efforts. For more information about the County Attorney's Office, please visit <https://smcgov.org/cao>.

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San Mateo County provides a picturesque setting, combined with an incredible array of activities, which truly represent the California lifestyle at its finest. Bordered on the west by the majestic Pacific Ocean, on the north by San Francisco, on the east by the scenic San Francisco Bay, and on the south by the world-famous Silicon Valley, SanMateo County offers a wide range of recreational pursuits, economic opportunities and numerous attractions. Residents of the County enjoy diverse, multi-cultural communities, cosmopolitan ambiance, temperate climate, clean air, rural open space, and a geographic location in the heart of the San Francisco Peninsula.

I continue to be impressed by the impeccable integrity and transparency of our County Attorney.

– Debra French, Superintendent



100% of school districts rated the legal services as meeting or exceeding expectations in the Office's 2021-22 biennial client survey.



Coalition for Safe Schools & Communities

Best law firm in the State!

– Mike Callagy, County Executive

Deputy County Attorney II, III, or IV

Salary: \$148,907 - \$261,976 Annually

Position: The Education Law Team of the San Mateo County Attorney's Office is seeking candidates for the position of Deputy County Attorney (DCA). The position will support county school districts and will be a Deputy County Attorney II, III, or IV depending on the qualifications and experience of the selected candidate. A minimum of two years as an attorney practicing in California is required, and six years of experience is preferred. The new DCA may opt to telework up to two days per week following the initial onsite training period of six months. Benefits include health, vision, and dental plans, as well as vacation, sick leave, and administrative/management leave time. Detailed benefits information is available online at <https://www.smcgov.org/benefits>. The County of San Mateo is an Equal Opportunity Employer. Please contact Chief Deputy County Attorney Claire A. Cunningham at 650-363-4795 or ccunningham@smcgov.org with any questions about this opportunity. Application instructions are available on our website <https://smcgov.org/cao>. All submissions should be emailed to SMC-CountyAttorney@smcgov.org prior to 11:59 PM on January 16, 2023.