PSEA is looking to fill two full-time, temporary attorney positions. These “Associate Staff Counsel” positions are located in Harrisburg, PA and extend for two years, with a possible third year.

The Associate Staff Counsel positions are similar to a labor and/or education law clerkship. The attorney will perform legal research and writing, and support the PSEA Legal Division in advising PSEA on matters of statewide and organizational significance. In addition, this position supports attorneys who are litigating cases. Interested applicants should have an interest in labor and/or education law, have strong legal research and writing skills, and be able to analyze complex legal issues and prepare legal memoranda, briefs and pleadings as assigned by the attorneys. These individuals must also have self-supporting computer skills.

PSEA is looking for someone who is willing to make a two to three year commitment. These positions will be available in September 2023. This position offers a starting salary of $67k. Upon admission to the PA bar, the salary increases to $76k. This position also offers a comprehensive benefits package that includes employer paid medical insurance. Admission to the PA Bar is preferred for consideration for this position and is required after the first admission date after employment.

PSEA History

PSEA is a professional and labor organization representing over 178,000 members and over 1,000 local union affiliates. The majority of our members are public school employees. PSEA also represents employees in private schools, colleges and universities, correctional facilities and health care institutions, retired employees, and students preparing for employment in education or health care. PSEA has been an advocate for excellence in education since 1852. PSEA’s legal staff is comprised of a General Counsel, an Assistant General Counsel, thirteen staff attorneys, five associate staff counsel, thirteen support staff, and four retained counsel located across the state. The PSEA Legal Division provides advice and counsel to all aspects of the organization and engages in litigation concerning issues of statewide importance. PSEA attorneys specialize in labor and education law, and practice before arbitrators, state and federal courts, and various state and federal agencies, including the Pennsylvania Labor Relations Board, the Professional Standards and Practices Commission, the Pennsylvania School Employees’ Retirement Board, the Pennsylvania Human Relations Commission, the National Labor Relations Board, and the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission.