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EMPLOYMENT
OPPORTUNITY
ANNOUNCEMENT
STATE OF NEW YORK
UNIFIED COURT SYSTEM

PLEASE POST
ANNOUNCEMENT NO. 8613

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POSITION TITLE: COURT ATTORNEY - REFEREE

JG: 31

LOCATION: 8th JUDICIAL DISTRICT
ERIE COUNTY FAMILY COURT

BASE SALARY: \$130,061

CLASSIFICATION: NON-COMPETITIVE/CONFIDENTIAL

QUALIFICATIONS: Admission to the New York State Bar and Two (2) years of service in the Associate Court Attorney title; or Eight (8) years of relevant legal experience gained after admission to the New York State Bar

DISTINGUISHING FEATURES OF WORK: Court Attorney-Referees act as special referees and research and analyze complex legal issues and questions raised in civil and criminal cases heard in trial courts or on appeal to certain County Courts and may be responsible for supervision of court attorneys and support staff who are located in one or more courts situated throughout a county, judicial district, or department. They serve in a confidential capacity and work with substantial independence from supervision in units located in the Court of Claims or special parts in the Supreme Court or in County, District, Family, and Surrogate's Courts in counties entirely within cities or in counties that have populations exceeding 400,000.

ASSIGNMENT: This position is assigned to Erie County Family Court. Duties and responsibilities include but are not limited to: conducting hearings, taking testimony and reporting findings of facts to judge; researching and analyzing complex legal questions and issues; and writing confidential memoranda and drafting opinions. Travel is required.

GENERAL INFORMATION: The above statements are intended to describe the general nature and level of work being performed by persons assigned to this title. They do not include all job duties performed by employees in the title, and every position does not necessarily require these duties. Although a position is available and situated at a specific location, the appointee may be subject to reassignment to any position in the same title in this promotion unit dependent upon the needs of the Unified Court System. All applications received from this announcement may be used to fill any vacancies in this title that may occur in this court or agency within the next six (6) months. Position(s) available at the present time: 1.

APPLICATION PROCEDURES: All interested persons meeting the minimum qualifications must submit a UCS-5 Application for Employment form (obtainable from any administrative office in a court building or on the web at www.nycourts.gov/careers/UCS5.pdf) and a resume and cover letter by email to 8JDHRAApplications@nycourts.gov or by mail to:

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HUMAN RESOURCES
8TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE
92 FRANKLIN STREET
BUFFALO, NY 14202

APPLICANTS ARE ENCOURAGED TO COMPLETE THE EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY DATA COLLECTION FORM.

POSTING DATE: July 14, 2026

APPLICATIONS MUST BE POSTMARKED OR RECEIVED BY: August 11, 2026

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