



INVESTIGATOR

Detroit Office

Approximately 25% of indigent defendants convicted of felonies in Michigan are represented on appeal by SADO — the only state-funded public defender office in the State. SADO attorneys regularly incorporate appellate investigation into the strategy of an appeal, which has led to notable success and nineteen exonerations in recent years. This success is due in part to SADO's access to an experienced staff investigator.

SADO has an opening for a full-time Investigator to work in its downtown Detroit office. The Investigator will be responsible for investigating a variety of claims, including claims that would merit a new trial, or expansion of the testimonial record, or claims of innocence and wrongful conviction in select cases, and will work with staff attorneys to formulate the investigation and litigation strategy on appeal.

Duties:

- Analyze the facts of a case and discuss strategies of defense with attorneys;
- Evaluate available evidence and develop evidentiary leads;
- Find and interview witnesses, victims, defendants and suspects, and prepare witnesses and clients for evidentiary hearings;
- Arrange for subpoenas as necessary;
- Locate and contact available experts, arrange consultations, and prepare experts for hearings;
- Assist attorneys at hearings by preparing questions for direct/cross examinations and rebuttal;
- Testify in court.

Qualifications: Must have knowledge of the criminal justice system. Must be comfortable working flexible hours, including occasional evenings, nights, and early mornings. Must be able to travel throughout the state. Must be able to navigate various social settings and difficult situations. Bachelor's degree in Criminal Justice or closely-related field is preferred; prior investigation experience desired.

Salary: \$48,000 - \$54,000 (depending on experience), plus fringe benefits including health, dental, vision, life, 401k, and paid holidays.

TO APPLY: Submit a cover letter and resume by February 7, 2016 to:

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