

Senior Litigation Attorney – Western Resources Legal Center (affiliated with Lewis & Clark Law School)

The Western Resources Legal Center (WRLC) is an independent 501(c)(3) legal education organization. WRLC provides law students with quality instruction and excellent opportunities to develop their legal skills and knowledge of natural resources and environmental laws through the legal representation of clients active in natural resource-related industries. Our program helps lead law students to careers as attorneys and policymakers with an appreciation for the challenges faced by, and the importance of, natural resource industries.

We are seeking to add a dynamic and driven lawyer to help lead litigation for WRLC. The position will assist in representing clients in litigation and regulatory and policy issues (including areas such as the Endangered Species Act, Clean Water Act, National Forest Management Act, Federal Land Policy and Management Act, and National Environmental Policy Act). The position will support the legal education program by working with law students on related practical legal skills and teaching law students substantive and procedural law. The position also will assist the Executive Director in maintaining and developing a national network of donors and supporters of the WRLC mission.

WRLC is a small collegial team. We offer a great opportunity to work on a variety of issues and active practice in federal district courts, circuit courts of appeal, and the U.S. Supreme Court on precedent-setting issues. Salary DOE.

Requested Qualifications

- Minimum 3-5+ years demonstrated legal experience in natural resources related field. Prior federal litigation experience is strongly preferred.
- Dedication to WRLC's educational mission.
- Excellent public speaking, advocacy, and writing skills.
- Ability to cultivate relationships with donors, students, law school faculty, and board members.
- Travel regularly for conferences, association meetings, and court appearances.
- Superior time management skills.
- Ability to handle multiple projects and meet litigation deadlines, and skill in analyzing and drafting complex legal arguments.
- Must be admitted to at least one state bar.
- A strong interest in teaching law students how to advocate on behalf of natural resource users.

To Apply – Please send cover letter, resume, and writing sample to: larth@wrlegal.org with the subject line "Job Application: Senior Litigation Attorney." Applications will be considered April 10, 2022, or until the position is filled.

Equal Opportunity Policy – WRLC seeks to build a diverse and highly qualified staff and encourages applications for employment from all qualified individuals. WRLC does not discriminate on the basis of actual or perceived race, color, sex, religion, age, marital status, national origin, the presence of any physical disability, veterans' status, sexual orientation, gender identity and/or gender expression or any other basis prohibited by applicable federal, state, and local laws.