NOAA INTERNAL JOB OPPORTUNITY FOR NON-COMPETITIVE REASSIGNMENT

Reference Number: GC-2015-03

Open period: November 21 to December 5, 2014

Title, Series, Grade: Supervisory Attorney Advisor, GS-0905-15

Duty Station: Gloucester, MA

Area of Consideration: Current, Permanent NOAA Office of General Counsel Employees at the Grade 15. Relocation expenses will not be paid.

Background: A new opportunity is available to join the management team of the NOAA Office of the General Counsel, Northeast Section. The Northeast Section is responsible for providing legal analysis, counseling, written advice and related support on legal issues for National Marine Fisheries Service (NOAA Fisheries) programs in the Region, including advising the Regional Administrator, the New England and Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Councils and the Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission regarding the interpretation and implementation of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act, the Atlantic Coastal Fisheries Cooperative Management Act, the Endangered Species Act, Marine Mammal Protection Act, the National Marine Sanctuaries Act, the National Environmental Policy Act, and the Administrative Procedure Act, among others, and providing assistance to the Department of Justice in litigation involving NOAA arising in the region. The Northeast Section also provides legal support and advice to certain international regional fishery management organizations including the Northwest Atlantic Fisheries Organization and Northwest Atlantic Salmon Conservation Organization.

Duties: The Deputy Section Chief will work together with the Section Chief, Northeast Section, to lead all aspects of management and supervision of the professional legal staff whose work pertains to the support of the Regional Administrator and the Fishery Management Councils on legal issues. Under the direction and supervision of the Section Chief, Northeast Section, the Deputy Section Chief will perform technical management, control, direction, and accomplishment of the functional responsibilities of the Northeast Section on matters of legal policy, and evaluate performance of professional legal personnel to assist in developing special skills. The Deputy Section Chief will interact routinely with other attorneys, policy makers, and technical staff within NOAA, other agencies, members of the regulated community, and public interest organizations.

Qualifications: Applicants must possess the specialized experience equivalent in difficulty and responsibility to the position being filled. Specialized experience is experience that has equipped the applicant with the particular competencies/knowledge, skills and abilities to successfully perform the duties of the position. This experience need not have been in the federal government.
Specialized Experience for this position includes having experience as:

- Experience with federal environmental and natural resources laws, laws and regulations governing federal agencies including the Administrative Procedure Act, National Environmental Policy Act, the Freedom of Information Act, and other generally applicable federal laws.
- Experience communicating effectively orally and in writing,
- Experience identifying and resolving complex legal issues,
- Experience managing large projects independently,
- Experience working as a member of a team and as a team leader,
- Experience assimilating large amounts of material quickly,
- Experience balancing a diverse workload,
- Experience managing a legal team or office or serving as a first line supervisor,
- Experience in office management, budget, administration, and personnel matters.

Other: Significant academic achievement in law school (such as graduation in top third of class, graduation with honors, judicial clerking experience, or participation in moot court or law review) will be favorably considered.

How to Apply: E-mail your resume, a statement of interest, and a brief description of your qualifications as it relates to the above qualifications to Gene.S.Martin@noaa.gov. *Do not send PII information to this email account.* Relocation expenses will not be paid.