



## **VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT**

The Independent Policing Oversight Authority is established pursuant to the Independent Policing Oversight Authority Act Cap. 86 Laws of Kenya. Its main function is to provide for civilian oversight over the work of the Police

The Authority wishes to recruit results-oriented Kenyan citizens with drive, vision and creativity to fill the following vacant positions: -

| Job Reference   | Designation      | Job<br>Grade | Vacant<br>Position |
|-----------------|------------------|--------------|--------------------|
| IPOA/HR/06/2025 | Legal Officer II | IPOA 9       | 1 Post             |

### How to apply:

Interested persons who meet the requirements should submit their application through Post Office, email or by hand delivery, clearly indicating the position and job reference number, on both the cover letter, envelope and email applications, together with IPOA Employment Form, a detailed CV, copies of academic & professional certificates, national identity card, names and telephone contacts of three referees, so as to reach the Authority by Monday, 24th February, 2025 to:

Director/Chief Executive Officer,
Independent Policing Oversight Authority,

1st Ngong Avenue, ACK Garden Annex, 2nd Floor,
P.O Box 23035 – 00100, NAIROBI.
Email: recruitment0125@ipoa.go.ke

Detailed job descriptions and specifications for the above positions are available in our website www.ipoa.go.ke/careers

Upon granting an offer of employment, the successful candidate **MUST** present and satisfy the requirements of Chapter Six of the Constitution of Kenya 2010 by providing copies of the following documents;

- A valid tax Compliance Certificate from the Kenya Revenue Authority (KRA);
- A valid Certificate of Good Conduct from the Directorate of Criminal Investigation (DCI);
- A valid Clearance Certificate from the Higher Education Loans Board (HELB);

- ♣ A valid Clearance Certificate from an approved Credit Reference Bureau (CRB) (Must provide certificate or report); and
- ♣ A Valid Clearance form from the Ethics and Anti-Corruption Commission (EACC)

IPOA is an equal opportunity employer and shall not in its recruitment discriminate on the basis of race, religion, color, ethnic origin, political affiliation, sex or sexual orientation, pregnancy, marital status, disability, health or social status. Canvassing will lead to automatic disqualification.

IPOA does not engage any recruitment agencies and no medical examination is required before one attends an interview. IPOA does not charge a fee at any stage of the recruitment process (application, shortlisting or interview).

Only shortlisted candidates will be contacted.

# IPOA/HR/06/2025: LEGAL OFFICER II, JOB GRADE IPOA 9 (1 POSITION) (CONSOLIDATED SALARY KES. 90.000 – 130.000)

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| Job Title               | Legal Officer II   |  |
| Grade                   | IPOA 9   |  |
| Directorate             | Legal Services   |  |
| Department              | Legal Audit and Human Rights Compliance / Prosecution and Litigation |  |
| Location / Work Station | Headquarters, Nairobi / Regional Offices /<br>County Offices         |  |
| Reports to              | Legal Officer I  |  |

## **Job Purpose**

Responsible for provision of guidance and legal opinions to the Authority and spearheading representation of the Authority in all legal, civil and criminal court proceedings.

# Key Responsibilities/ Duties / Tasks

- 1. Support implementation of policies, strategies, guidelines, plans, standards and procedures pertaining to legal Services in the Authority;
- 2. Represent the Authority in all civil court cases and Alternative Dispute Resolution Mechanisms;
- 3. Institute civil proceedings for enforcement of the Authority's recommendations;
- 4. Institute civil proceedings for compensation of victims of police misconduct;
- 5. Carry out research on legal issues pertinent to operations of IPOA in collaboration with the division of research;
- 6. Assist in conducting legal assignments and projects as directed;
- 7. Support in preparation and drafting of contracts, leases, Memoranda of understanding formal agreements and other legal instruments;
- 8. Participate in outreach programs to strengthen IPOA's governance and improve the quality of service delivery by conducting legal aid clinics on constitutional matters in collaboration with department of communications and outreach:
- 9. Assist in conduct of legal audits to ensure legal compliance by the Authority;
- 10. In liaison with department of preventive services assist in conduct of audits of processes and actions of the National Police Service to ensure compliance with applicable legal and human rights standards;
- 11. Evaluate evidence in completed investigations by the Authority submitted in non-complex matters for determination of its sufficiency and recommending appropriate action to the Director of Public Prosecutions;
- 12. Review evidence in completed investigations by the IAU for determinations of its sufficiency for recommending appropriate disciplinary action;
- 13. Prepare Authority's cases for prosecution;
- 14. Watch brief for the Authority in the prosecution of criminal matters touching on the Authority's mandate;

- 15. Represent the Authority in criminal court proceedings including public inquests;
- 16. Update records in the division;
- 17. Consolidate data for internal and external reports in the division;
- 18. Implement risks mitigation measures;
- 19. Implement management decisions; and
- 20. Develop and implement individual annual work plan.

#### **Job Dimensions:**

## I. Financial Responsibility

Prepare Work Plans, procurement plans and the Budgets

# II. Responsibility for Physical Assets

Responsible for Office equipment, furniture and records

# III. Decision Making / Job Influence

Operational decisions

# IV. Working Conditions

Predominantly in an office setting with occasional field travel.

## Job Competencies (Knowledge, Experience and Attributes / Skills).

## **Academic qualifications**

- 1. Post graduate Diploma in legal studies;
- 2. Bachelor's Degree in Law.

# Professional Qualifications / Membership to professional bodies

- 1. Registered as an advocate of the High Court of Kenya;
- 2. Hold a current practicing certificate;
- 3. Member of Law Society of Kenya.

# Previous relevant work experience required.

This is an entry level job

# Functional Skills, Behavioral Competencies/Attributes:

| Functional Skills:        | Behavioral Competencies/Attributes: |
|---------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| 1) Legal Research Skills  | Transparency and accountability     |
| 2) Planning Skills        | 2) Ethics and Integrity             |
| 3) Decision Making Skills | 3) Team player                      |
| 4) Analytical skills      | 4) Creativity and innovation        |
| 5) Report writing skills  | 5) Resilience                       |
| 6) Interpersonal Skills   | 6) Independence                     |
| 7) Communication Skills   |                                     |