



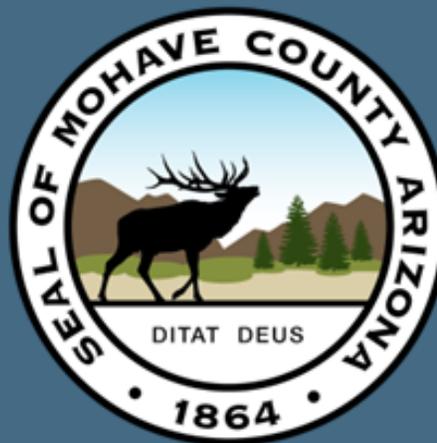
# LEGAL ADVOCATE

## Mohave County, Arizona

### County Government

Mohave County was formed in 1864 as one of the four original counties of the new Arizona Territory. A five member Board of Supervisors, elected by district on a partisan basis for a four year term, governs the County.

The Board appoints the County Administrator, who is responsible for the overall management and administration of County operations. The management structure also includes the following elected officials: Assessor, Attorney, Clerk of Superior Court, Recorder, School Superintendent, Sheriff, Treasurer, seven Superior Court Judges, five Constables and five Justices of the Peace.



### The Community

With over 13,400 square miles, Mohave County is the second largest county in Arizona and the 5th largest in the United States. Situated in northwestern Arizona, it borders Utah, Nevada and California and contains elevations from 500 to 8,400 feet above sea level. Mohave County is a rapidly growing county and has 203,030 full-time residents according to the 2013 census.

Most residents live in one of the four incorporated cities: Kingman (the County seat), Bullhead City, Lake Havasu City, or Colorado City. Mohave County has over 1,000 miles of fresh water shoreline along the Colorado River and its lakes include Mohave, Havasu and Mead. Boating, jet skiing, water skiing, fishing and white water rafting opportunities abound.

Wilderness areas are a short drive in any direction within the county. Campers, hikers, mountain bikers, rock hounds and horseback riders have easy access to scenic trains, hidden creeks, hot springs, and beautiful southwestern vistas.

Laughlin, Nevada, is right across the Colorado River from Bullhead City, providing easy access to gaming activities, entertainment and nightlife. Las Vegas, Nevada, is only 90 minutes from Kingman, across Hoover Dam.



Mohave County has natural beauty, a great climate, dry desert air and open spaces. There is an abundance of recreational areas and historic sites.

**The Mission of Mohave County** is to serve its citizens through the effective management of resources and the promotion of cooperation among communities, in a visionary manner that enhances the lives of those served.



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### Legal Advocate's Office

The Legal Advocate performs professional work in planning, organizing and directing the activities of the Office of the Legal Advocate. The attorneys employed by the Office of the Legal Advocate primarily provide legal representation to indigent juveniles facing delinquency petitions (criminal charges for minors) and juveniles involved in dependency cases (child welfare abuse/neglect cases). Additionally, attorneys employed by the Office of the Legal Advocate serve as counsel for children in juvenile dependency cases filed by the Arizona Attorney General's Office. They also represent juveniles and adults in appellate cases.

Utilizing personnel comprised of five attorneys, an investigator, and support staff, the office provides legal representation in the Mohave County Superior Court divisions located in Kingman, Bullhead City, and Lake Havasu City.

### The Ideal Candidate

The importance of this position requires that the Legal Advocate be an experienced leader with excellent communication and administrative skills and is proficient at developing relationships and consensus. The new Legal Advocate will become an integral part of the County's management team and will be expected to take a leadership role in managing the County's shared vision. The candidate shall have executive knowledge of the principles of juvenile, criminal, and/or civil law, research work of attorneys, and the methods and practices of the Legal Advocate's office. Widespread knowledge of the judicial procedures and rules of evidence is necessary.

The ideal candidate shall possess a Certificate of Admission to the Bar of the State of Arizona and eligibility to practice law before the courts of the State of Arizona. Progressively responsible legal experience shall include ten (10) years of juvenile law or in areas related to juvenile law, with demonstrated administrative and/or supervisory experience, OR any equivalent combination of education, experience, and training that provides the required knowledge, skills and abilities will be considered.



There are numerous trails throughout Mohave County in our western desert. They climb rugged mountains, cross deep canyons and ascend juniper-covered hillsides.



Fishing, hunting and wildlife photography are a popular activities in Mohave County. Elk can be found twenty minutes from Kingman in the Hualapai Mountains.



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## Compensation and Benefits

The current salary range for this position is \$84,261—\$130,749 annually, depending on qualifications.

The County offers a very competitive benefits package that includes:

- ◇ Medical
- ◇ Dental
- ◇ Vision
- ◇ Arizona State Retirement System
- ◇ Section 125 Flexible Benefit Plan
- ◇ Paid Arizona Bar Dues
- ◇ Paid Continuing Legal Education (CLE)
- ◇ Deferred Compensation
- ◇ Paid Time Off
- ◇ 11 Paid Holidays
- ◇ Education Assistance
- ◇ Life Insurance
- ◇ Student Loan Assistance Repayment Program
- ◇ Relocation Assistance



Lake Mead is the largest man-made reservoir in the United States. Formed by Colorado River water impounded by the Hoover Dam, the lake extends 112 miles (80 km) behind the dam, holding approximately 28,500,000 acre feet (35.2km<sup>3</sup>) of water.

## Application and Selection

To be considered for this position, please submit an employment application online and include a resume and cover letter indicating your interest, three (3) professional references and a current salary history to the Mohave County Human Resources Department.

For on-line access to additional information on this position, please visit our website or contact the Human Resources Director, Ken Cunningham, at [ken.cunningham@mohavecounty.us](mailto:ken.cunningham@mohavecounty.us). This position is open until filled.



Our Administrative Building is located at 700 W. Beale Street, Kingman, Arizona 86401.



For more information and to apply for this position, visit <http://www.mohavecounty.us/>

