

CITY ATTORNEY

PORTSMOUTH, VIRGINIA

The City of Portsmouth, Virginia is seeking a City Attorney with the ability to work in a fast paced and complex urban environment and who possesses proven municipal law expertise. Position requires extensive experience in the practice of municipal law and proven ability to interact effectively with City Council, City Manager, city staff, boards and commissions, residents and businesses.

Portsmouth is located in the Hampton Roads area of Virginia with a population of about 100,000, a budget of \$632M and approximately 2,000 employees. As an independent city with no overarching county, Portsmouth provides services usually provided by a county government along with those services normally associated with a city government.

The City Attorney is appointed by a seven member City Council (Mayor and six Council members) who serve four year overlapping terms. The City Attorney serves as chief legal advisor to the City government in all matters affecting the legal interests of the City. Duties include: Serving as legal advisor to City Council, City Manager, departments, boards, commissions and agencies; instituting, prosecuting, defending and settling all legal proceedings of the City; preparing ordinances and resolutions; reviewing or preparing pleadings, motions, and orders and representing the City in court.

The position requires graduation from an accredited school of law, a license to practice law in the Commonwealth of Virginia or the ability to obtain such license, and extensive experience in the practice of municipal law.

To apply for this outstanding opportunity contact Mr. John T. Maxwell via email at jtmaxwell41@gmail.com. For more information about the community and the position visit our website at www.mercergroupinc.com and click on Current Searches and download the brochure.

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