

COMPETITION APPEAL TRIBUNAL/ COMPETITION SERVICE
Person Specification
Referendaire

Brief Description

Working directly for the President, Chairmen and Registrar of the Tribunal, the post corresponds to that of a Referendaire at the European General Court but also encompasses a case handling role central to the work of the Tribunal.

Principal duties of the post will be to:

- Liaise with parties and Tribunal members in the conduct of cases before the Tribunal;
- Attend hearings and assist on issues as required;
- Research case law and produce written analyses;
- Prepare drafts and written materials; and
- Assist in relation to outside speaking engagements.

Experience and Skills

The successful candidate will be an experienced lawyer and a team player, capable of handling procedural matters and analysing issues of law and fact raised in the submissions of parties. A high standard of oral and written communication skills as well as an ability to work under pressure will be expected.

Practical experience of Competition law and European law, combined with a good understanding of procedural law, is an advantage. Candidates with a strong practical background in related areas of litigation will be considered.

Essential Requirements

- Generally, legal skills to a very high standard and incisive intellect with keen powers of analysis;
- Capable of handling issues of law and fact raised in the submissions of parties;
- Sophisticated drafting skills;
- Clear understanding of litigation procedures;
- Excellent case handling skills;
- Excellent communication and interpersonal skills;
- Strong academic and practical background;
- Equable temperament, able to work on their own as well as part of a team;
- High degree of flexibility, including willingness to work outside normal hours where necessary;
- Good IT skills, including Outlook and Word.

The Tribunal is a small organisation and it is imperative for members of staff to approach their jobs flexibly. This might mean that, on occasions, members of staff are required to perform tasks not specifically mentioned in their job description or that are normally carried out by other teams or staff within the organisation.