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Assistant Director, Legal Services, KNEC Grade 4 (1 Post) at Kenya National Examinations Council (KNEC)

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#### **Job Description**

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#### Job Specification

Providing legal advisory services to ensure compliance with existing law and regulatory requirements;

Drafting, reviewing, and vetting legal instruments and making recommendations;

Identifying and monitoring areas of risk in legal compliance and making recommendations;

Researching, reviewing, analyzing, and interpreting laws, regulations and advising accordingly;

Assisting in preparing and monitoring of the Department's budgets and expenditures;

Drafting and reviewing legal pleadings, attending court, Compiling documentary evidence, coordinating witness preparation, receiving court pleadings, instructing external legal counsel, and monitoring the progress of all cases;

Assisting in Council secretariat services by preparing and dispatching Council notices, Agendas, Council papers, taking Council minutes and action reports;

Assisting in monitoring implementation of Council decisions and preparing reports;

Preparing reports on the use of the Council Seal;

Assisting in conducting Governance and legal Audits and preparing reports;

Managing the Divisions legal registry including updating legal documentation, regulations, ordinances, policy manuals to ensure compliance;

Mentoring and supervising staff within the Department.

# **Person Specifications**

At least ten years cumulative relevant work experience, three of which should have served at a management level;

Bachelors Degree in Law (LLB) from a recognized institution;

Masters Degree in either of the following disciplines: Law, Public Administration, Business Administration, or equivalent qualifications from a recognized institution;

Management Course lasting not less than four weeks from a recognized institution;

Postgraduate Diploma in Law from the Kenya School of Law or similar qualification from a recognized institution;

An Advocate of the High Court of Kenya;

Member of the Law Society of Kenya in good standing;

Proficiency in computer applications;

Demonstrated merit and competence in work performance;

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