

## Counsel II

The mission of the Massachusetts Department of Agricultural Resources (MDAR) is to ensure the long-term viability of agriculture in Massachusetts. Through its four divisions – Agricultural Conservation & Technical Assistance, Agricultural Markets, Animal Health, and Crop and Pest Services – MDAR strives to support, regulate and enhance the rich diversity of the Commonwealth's agricultural community to promote economically and environmentally sound food safety and animal health measures, and fulfill agriculture's role in energy conservation and production.

The Department of Agricultural Resources seeks applicants for the position of Attorney (Counsel II).

Primary duties will be to assist the General Counsel with legal issues as needed for the Department of Agricultural Resources ("Department") and the divisions and boards within the Department and to work on contracts, grants, policies, statutory, and regulatory issues of the Department.

Specifically, this position will be responsible for working with the General Counsel to provide legal services on regulatory matters, including but not limited to, the Division of Conservation and Technical Assistance ("DACTA"), including but not limited to working closely with Agricultural Preservation Restriction ("APR") Program staff and outside legal counsel to complete closing of APRs. This includes reviewing titles, reviewing surveys, obtaining title clearing documents from Seller's attorney, working with outside counsel and Seller's attorney to arrange closings and ensuring program compliance with state and federal partner rules, regulations, manuals, and policies.

For a complete job description and to apply, visit:

https://massanf.taleo.net/careersection/ex/jobdetail.ftl?job=22000AX5

First consideration will be given to those applicants that apply within the first 14 days.

An Equal Opportunity / Affirmative Action Employer. Females, minorities, veterans, and persons with disabilities are strongly encouraged to apply.

The Commonwealth is an Equal Opportunity Employer and does not discriminate on the basis of race, religion, color, sex, gender identity or expression, sexual orientation, age, disability, national origin, veteran status, or any other basis covered by appropriate law. Research suggests that qualified women, Black, Indigenous, and Persons of Color (BIPOC) may self-select out of opportunities if they don't meet 100% of the job requirements. We encourage individuals who believe they have the skills necessary to thrive to apply for this role.