

# **LOWER BRULE SIOUX TRIBE**

## **JOB ANNOUNCEMENT**

**JOB TITLE:** General Counsel

**JOB CLASS:** DOE

**JOB SUMMARY:** Under the direction of the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council, provides advice and representation to the Lower Brule Sioux Tribe on a wide range of issues, affecting the Lower Brule Sioux Tribe. Works with tribal, federal, and state officials, as well as national-state level tribal advocacy groups, other tribes, private individuals and entities. Maintains confidentiality of all privileged information.

### **ILLUSTRATIVE DUTIES & RESPONSIBILITIES:**

- The General Counsel performs a full range of legal services requiring substantial knowledge and understanding of the Lower Brule Sioux Tribe, it's departments and businesses. A general understanding of Indian Law and tribal-federal-state relationships.
- Environmental, water and land use laws, including land acquisitions, placing lands into trust, rights-of-way, and easements for utility purposes.
- Infrastructure development, including and advising the Lower Brule Sioux Tribe on proposed contracts with third-parties, rights-of-way and lease agreements, utility agreements and other related land use, housing and commercial development matters.
- Corporate transactions and compliance.
- Includes all matters pertaining to representation of the tribal government.
- Advice to, and representation of he Lower Brule Sioux Tribe, it's officers and entities, including in tribal, federal and state courts, administrative tribunals, and before federal and state legislative bodies and agencies. Drafting of ordinances, regulations and policies; negotiation and review of intergovernmental agreements, contracts and commercial transactions.

### **REQUIRED EDUCATION, LICENSURE & EXPERIENBCE:**

- Education: Juris Doctorate degree from an accredited law school, minimum years of experience; six (6) years as a practicing attorney; no discipline in a jurisdiction; background investigation required.
- Licensure: State bar licensed, active status, and in good standing, preferably South Dakota.
- Demonstrated knowledge and familiarity with basic principles of federal Indian Law, including topics as tribal sovereignty, civil and criminal jurisdiction, land use, taxation, and cooperative agreements between Indian tribes and state and local governments. Subject matter experience in as many as the following, as possible: Economic development, gaming, commerical transactions, natural resources or environmental law, treaty

rights, health services, employment/personnel administration, public benefits, real estate and taxation.

- Background Check/Pre-Employment Drug Screen: This position is subject to the Tribe's standard criminal background check for sensitive positions and drug screening.

**This hiring process was opened on 05/03/2023 and will remain open, until filled.**

**TO APPLY**, submit cover letter, current resume', at least three (3) professional references, and a legal writing sample to:

**LOWER BRULE SIOUX TRIBE  
Human Resources Office  
187 Oyate Circle  
Lower Brule, SD 57548**

**OPENING DATE: 05/03/2023**

**CLOSING DATE: Open until filled**