

# SENIOR LITIGATION ATTORNEY – NATURAL RESOURCES PROTECTION

The Environmental Law & Policy Center (ELPC) is hiring a skilled public interest litigation attorney with 10+ years of strong federal and state court litigation experience for a full-time position in ELPC's Chicago HQ office (preferred) or in ELPC's Minneapolis or Washington D.C. offices. This attorney will work on natural resources preservation legal and policy advocacy, which now focuses on protecting the Midwest's Great Places – the Great Lakes, the four-state scenic Driftless Area landscape, 50 National Parks and many Wilderness Areas, the Northwoods – and wildlife and biodiversity. This is a great position for a top-rate litigator who loves the outdoors and want to devote their professional work to protecting the Midwest's vital natural resources, its public lands, the Great Lakes and many other wild and special places. This is an extraordinary time in which ELPC's effective legal and policy advocacy – backed by sound science, strong economic analysis and public engagement – are essential to protect core environmental values.

### ORGANIZATION

The Environmental Law & Policy Center is the Midwest's leading environmental legal advocacy organization. We use the power of the law and strategic advocacy campaigns to create climate change solutions, advance clean energy, protect public health, and preserve the Midwest's wild and natural places. Our staff is made up of extraordinary individuals who work together across states and disciplines to solve the most pressing environmental challenges of our times. Learn more at <u>www.ELPC.org</u>.

#### RESPONSIBILITIES

- Key litigation role advancing ELPC's innovative and successful environmental program activities protect the Midwest's wild and special places, the Great Lakes, and wildlife and biodiversity.
- First-chair on some ELPC natural resources protection litigation and help lead policy advocacycampaigns in the "courts of public opinion" to succeed; second-chair on other ELPC natural resources protection litigation teams.
- Work with ELPC's Executive Director and Senior Staff to help prioritize and provide savvy resultsfocused strategic direction for ELPC's Great Places Great Lakes





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- Work effectively in ELPC's public interest entrepreneurial and multidisciplinary team culture.
- Fundraise to support ELPC's wild places and natural resources protection program activities and expand program success

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# QUALIFICATIONS

- 10+ years of major litigation experience, preferably with a practice including environmental and natural resources legal and policy issues.
- The ideal background would be a public interest litigation organization, USDOJ or strong stateAG office, or high-powered law firm with hands-on trial and appellate experience.
- Excellent writing and persuasive oral advocacy abilities required.
- Strong academic background desired.
- An inspired and demonstrated commitment to public interest advocacy and the ability to workproductively with a fast-paced team of skilled professionals are required.

### **SALARY & BENEFITS**

Salary is commensurate with experience and with ELPC's salary structure, and is competitive with other major public interest environmental law organizations. ELPC provides excellent paid time off, medical and dental insurance, vision care, life insurance, and disability insurance. We contribute funds to every employee's 403(b) retirement account and Health Savings Account. ELPC Chicago staff also have free access to the building gym, commuter benefits and other healthy lifestyle benefits.

## **APPLICATION PROCESS**

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