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GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTABILITY PROJECT DEPUTY LEGISLATIVE DIRECTOR ANNOUNCEMENT

Government Accountability Project is the world's leading international whistleblower protection and advocacy organization. The organization was created in 1977 at the Institute for Policy Studies (IPS) in response to several whistleblowers, such as Daniel Ellsberg, who came to IPS about White House, FBI and Pentagon scandals. Since that time, Government Accountability Project, a 501(c)(3) non-profit, has served as a lifeline to employees of conscience and has helped them release critical information that serves the public interest and the common good. A non-partisan public-interest organization, we litigate whistleblower cases, help expose wrongdoing to the public, and actively promote government and corporate accountability. Since its founding, Government Accountability Project has helped over 8,000 whistleblowers, defending them in the court of law and the court of public opinion, while crafting and refining whistleblower protection laws through legislative channels at home and abroad.

Since its inception, Government Accountability Project's advocacy efforts have shaped both public interest and legislative agendas, and created opportunities for lawmakers to strengthen and clarify the free-speech rights of courageous employees across a broad spectrum of industries.

Deputy Legislative Director Job Description Overview

The Deputy Legislative Director position will share responsibility for Government Accountability Project's Legislative program under the direct supervision of the Legal Director. 2022 challenges include work on forty bills; six of which are top priorities to modernize protection for federal employees, government contractors, law enforcement officers, intelligence employees, private sector employees, and those challenging social media or other consumer abuses. Job duties include but are not limited to the following:

Job Duties

- Ability to serve as acting Legislative Director, as needed. This position has the opportunity for upward mobility.
- Identify, monitor, schedule, and conduct advocacy for and liaise with relevant congressional offices for all legislation relevant to whistleblowers.
- Under the direction of the Legal Director and in coordination with the Communications Director, serve as the primary liaison with media for news and editorial support, as well as for Government Accountability Project Communications initiatives, including but not limited to the drafting of Op-Eds, Internet blogs, articles and educational materials.
- Represent the Legislative program agenda in coordinating with coalition partners and stakeholders, including but not limited to Congress, federal agencies, media, and civil society.
- Draft briefing packets for outreach to the audiences above, and spearhead the research and tracking of federal and state legislation related to whistleblowers.
- Participate in coalitions of public advocacy groups and good-government organizations.
- Work collaboratively with all staff across the organization to serve the reinforcing missions of the Legislative program specifically and Government Accountability Project in general.

Qualifications

- Minimum of 5 years of relevant lobbying experience and/or experience on Capitol Hill. Non-profit and public interest work experience preferred. Candidates with a passion for government and corporate accountability preferred.

- Juris Doctor Degree preferred, but not necessary.
- Experience supervising the performance and work product of full-time employees or contract personnel.
- Demonstrated success in helping to lead effective advocacy campaigns. Ideal candidates will have experience leading national advocacy campaigns involving outreach to Congress, executive branch agencies, the media, and civil society groups.
- Ability to synthesize complex information, coordinate multiple projects simultaneously, work both autonomously and in teams, and hit tight deadlines.
- Superb writing, research, and communications skills.
- Team player. Excellent interpersonal skills.

Salary

Competitive salary commensurate with experience and comparable to similarly sized public interest organizations. Government Accountability Project also offers a generous benefits package in a role with the opportunity for upward mobility.

Application Process

Government Accountability Project is an equal opportunity employer. We value a diverse workforce and an inclusive culture. Government Accountability Project encourages applications from all qualified individuals without regard to race, ethnicity, color, religion, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, age, national origin, or marital, citizenship, disability, or veteran status. Please submit a cover letter, resume, and recent writing sample **by April 15, 2022** (include in the subject line "Deputy Legislative Director") to: Michael Termini at michaelt@whistleblower.org.