# Becker County, mn



### Assistant County Attorney

Salary: \$96,137 - \$134,689

## Welcome to Becker County!

Becker County is located in the heart of lakes country Minnesota, 45 miles east of the metropolitan area of Fargo/Moorhead. The County is situated in an area known as Park Region and is considered one the State's most beautiful and versatile recreation areas. The Detroit Mountain Recreational Area, located just outside of Detroit Lakes, includes downhill and cross-country skiing, tubing, bike trails, and more. The County contains more than 400 lakes and encompasses 11 communities including the county seat, Detroit Lakes. It is the only Minnesota county containing all the Minnesota state symbols: loons, pink and white lady slippers, wild rice, Norway Pines, blueberries, and eagles. With abundant lakes, streams, forests, trails, and top-notch facilities, Becker County offers some of the best outdoor recreational opportunities you can find. No matter what the season, outdoor enthusiasts flock to this area to enjoy their favorite activities and to experience all that Becker County offers.

Becker County is primarily serviced by seven distinguished school districts: Detroit Lakes Public Schools, Pine Point School, Ulen-Hitterdal Public School, Lake Park-Audubon Schools, Frazee-Vergas Public Schools, Menahga Public Schools, and Waubun-Ogema-White Earth School District. Healthcare services are provided by Essentia Health St. Mary's Hospital in Detroit Lakes. The hospital provides services that include a birthing center, medical clinic, 24 hour emergency room, urgent care clinic, and home health services.

Becker County encompasses 1,440 square miles, divided into 35 townships, and stretches 30 miles north to south and 38 miles east to west. The County is served by five County Commissioners elected from individual districts equally balanced in population within the County. Becker County employs approximately 320 staff members with a budget of over \$55 million. Becker County is a full-service County providing a wide range of important functions. County staff is dedicated to serving its citizens and being stewards of the environment and resources.

### The Department and Position

The Becker County Attorney's Office has a diverse workload including child protection, child support, mental health, chemical dependency, and providing civil advice to Becker County departments and the County Board.

The County Attorney serves as the chief prosecutor of all adult felony crimes and juvenile offenses in Becker County. The County Attorney is also responsible for providing legal counsel to the County Board of Commissioners and all County departments as well as representing the County in civil lawsuits, child support matters, child protection actions, and mental health commitments.

In order to perform required duties, the Becker County Attorney has an experienced staff of Assistant County Attorneys, Legal Assistants, and a Crime Victim/Witness Coordinator. The County Attorney and staff are not permitted to represent or provide legal advice to private citizens.

Becker County has earned a successful reputation for prosecuting abuse and child abuse cases. As an Assistant County Attorney, you have the ability to immediately get into the courtroom and learn prosecution.

The purpose of this position is to assist the County Attorney in the preparation and presentation of cases in District Court in civil and criminal matters involving Becker County and/or the State of Minnesota. This position also represents the County as a municipality and provides legal advice to the County Board, elected officials, department heads, and/or other County employees. This position requires someone who is diligent, organized, a team player, hardworking, and has a strength in relationship building.

#### **More Information:**

https://www.ddahumanresources.com/active-searches.

#### **Questions? Contact:**

Liza Donabauer at liza@daviddrown.com or 612-920-3320 x111.

#### **Position Qualifications**

- · Juris Doctor from an accredited law school
- License from the State of Minnesota to practice law

\*Any individual who is sitting for the July 2024 Bar Examination is encouraged to apply. The County will consider filling the position with a Supervised Practitioner who has the ability to be licensed as a practicing Attorney in the State of Minnesota within six (6) months.

#### **Compensation & Benefits**

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This position is eligible for a wide range of competitive benefits including state pension plan, vacation time, sick time, personal leave, and holiday leave time. In addition, the position is eligible for the County's cafeteria health plan consisting of three health plans and carrier options as well as Dental, Vision, and Life insurance, Health Savings and Flexible Spending accounts, Long-term and Short-Term Disability, Supplemental Accident, Hospital, and Critical Illness plans, and Public Service Loan Forgiveness (PSLF). The County contributes monthly health benefits to aide in the rising of insurance costs with the contribution rate evaluated annually. Additionally, employees have the option to take part of this contribution as cash in lieu of benefits (\$749.14).

This position provides good work/life balance.

# Application Deadline: April 2, 2024

With initial application screening on March 29, 2024

**Apply Here!** 



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