



Southern
Environmental
Law Center

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Managing Attorney: Birmingham, Alabama Office

The Southern Environmental Law Center is happy to announce that it is opening an office in Birmingham, Alabama. The office initially will be staffed with two attorneys – a managing attorney and an associate attorney. This is a rare opportunity to join one of the nation's most effective environmental organizations, and to help lead a new office in addressing a broad range of important and challenging environmental issues.

About SELC and the Birmingham Office: With offices across the region (core offices in Charlottesville, VA; Chapel Hill, NC; and Atlanta, GA; and satellite offices in Asheville, NC; Charleston, SC; Washington, DC; Richmond, VA; and now Birmingham, AL), SELC uses law and policy expertise to protect the South's natural resources—its land, air, water, coast and wetlands—and to preserve our rural countryside and community character. Although our regional focus is the Southeast, much of our work is national in scope and impact.

Our approach is unique—and successful. We work in Congress and state legislatures to inform environmental law; in regulatory agencies to implement environmental laws and policies; and in the courts to stop the worst abuses of southern resources and set precedents to ensure their lasting protection. SELC works collaboratively with over 100 national, state, and local groups to enhance their efficacy and achieve our common conservation goals. Our legal and policy staff comprises some of the nation's leading experts in their respective fields, and over its 23-year history, SELC has earned a reputation as one of the most effective environmental organizations in the country. We currently have a staff of 85, including 42 attorneys. Additional information regarding our work and staff is available at www.southernenvironment.org.

SELC's organizational structure integrates regional strategy and expertise with place-based action and results. The new Birmingham office will be integrated closely with, and supported by, SELC's Georgia/Alabama office team in Atlanta.

About the position: The managing attorney will have significant responsibility for the success of SELC's advocacy in the state of Alabama, and for the day-to-day management of the office. He/she also will be a key SELC representative and point person in Alabama and will be an important part of the institutional development team in the state. The managing attorney will report to the Director of the Atlanta Office, who has overall responsibility for all aspects of SELC's activities in Georgia and Alabama.

Responsibilities include:

- Playing a major role in developing, implementing, and leading the legal advocacy program in Alabama.
- Serving as lead SELC lawyer in key Alabama litigation and case-specific advocacy.
- Day to day supervision of Birmingham office staff.
- Serving as a lead SELC spokesperson in Alabama.
- Building positive relationships with the environmental community and key state leaders.
- Developing expertise in key issues of special importance to Alabama.

Compensation: SELC offers salaries competitive with other leading environmental non-profits nationally, and an excellent benefits package.

Qualifications: We are seeking a talented, multifaceted lawyer with proven legal and leadership skills. The ideal candidate will be an outstanding lawyer with 5 or more years experience; significant litigation experience; policy advocacy and/or environmental practice experience; good presentation and people skills; a strong personal commitment to SELC's mission; and an understanding of Alabama and its environmental challenges and opportunities.

To Apply: If you have these qualifications and are seeking one of the most interesting, challenging, and rewarding environmental advocacy positions available, please send your letter of interest, resume, law school transcript, and at least three references to Katherine Perry, Southern Environmental Law Center, The Candler Building, 127 Peachtree Street, Suite 605, Atlanta, GA 30303-1840, or e-mail to kperry@selcga.org. SELC is an Equal Opportunity Employer and is continually seeking to diversify its staff. We strongly encourage applications from persons of all racial and ethnic backgrounds.

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