GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
Office of the Attorney General

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Our Core Values

Integrity and Independence: We do the right thing and tell the truth, always, even when it is hard and unpopular to do so; this includes candor to courts, candor to District residents, and candor to our agency clients. We are scrupulously ethical, courteous, and professional. We exercise independent judgment and enforce the law without fear or favor.

Excellence and Accountability: We hold ourselves to the highest standards. We are data driven and measure what matters. We learn from our mistakes and hold ourselves accountable. We recruit, train, retain, promote, and challenge the most talented legal professionals in the country. We are committed to developing local talent. We are committed to constant improvement and will leave the excellence of the OAG even better than the way we found it.

Active Listening and Constructive Engagement: "We have 2 ears and 1 mouth for a reason--so that we can listen twice as much as we talk." We actively listen to the residents of the District of Columbia and ensure that OAG is proactively and responsively addressing the most important issues impacting the health and safety of D.C. residents.

Teamwork and Client Service: We work collaboratively, as team members and as humble civil servant leaders, to advance the interests of our clients. We are responsive, professional, and empathetic. We respect the humanity and professionalism of everyone on the OAG Team. We support work-life balance and each other. Results matter, but so does the professional culture and collaborative approach with which we work to achieve results. There is no limit to what can be accomplished when the people doing the work do not care who gets credit.

Inclusivity and Respect: We build and sustain a culture of excellence, inclusion, and opportunity. We value the rich diversity of our city and strive to reflect that within OAG. We seek different points of view and welcome honest, respectful, good-faith debate across our agency. We are committed to having different points of view expressed during decision making, and, when we disagree, we do so without being disagreeable.