

Department of Human Resources & Civil Service

Promotional Exam Announcement Please Post Conspicuously

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P-73414 Deputy Sheriff Court Security - Lieutenant

Application Fee: None

Examination Date: October 19, 2019

Application Deadline: August 20, 2019 - Applications must be submitted online or filed in our office by 5PM or

postmarked by this date

Who May Apply: Qualified employees of the Monroe County Office of the Sheriff

Salary: \$55,982 - \$81,668 annually

Employment Opportunities: The results of this exam may be used to fill vacancies, which may occur during the

life of the eligible list.

Minimum Qualifications:

Candidates must be permanently employed in the competitive class in the **Monroe County Office of the Sheriff** and must have served continuously on a permanent basis for **twenty-four (24) months** holding the position of **Deputy Sheriff Court Security-Sergeant** immediately preceding the date of the written test.

Any person, otherwise meeting the requirements for an examination, who was laid off from an agency for which the examination is being held, and whose name is presently on a preferred list is eligible to compete in the examination. When completing the application, such person should be sure to indicate his/her present employment and/or the title and location of his/her last permanent employment in the municipality.

Description of Duties:

This is a supervisory law enforcement position in the Monroe County Sheriff's Office responsible for maintaining order, security, and decorum in the Appellate Court, Hall of Justice, Public Safety Building, and in the courtrooms during trials. Duties include assisting the Court Security Bureau Chief with the administration of the Court Security Unit. This position differs from that of Deputy Sheriff-Court Security Sergeant by virtue of its expanded scope and increased level of responsibility. The employee reports directly to and works under the general supervision from the Court Security Bureau Chief. General supervision is exercised over Deputy Sheriffs Court Security Sergeants. May be assigned to various work shifts.

Scope of Examination:

This examination will consist of two parts: a written test (90% of final rating) and performance appraisals (10% of final rating). Candidates must achieve a passing score (70) on the written test in order to have the weighted average of their last three annual performance appraisals added to their final score or, if fewer than three performance evaluations, the number of performance evaluations contained in their personnel file prior to the test date.

The written, multiple-choice test will cover knowledge, skills and/or abilities in such areas as:

Advising and interacting with others

These questions test for the ability to interact with other people in order to gather and present information and to provide assistance and advice in a courteous and professional manner.

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Preparing written material

These questions test for the ability to present information clearly and accurately, and to organize paragraphs logically and comprehensibly. For some questions, you will be given information in two or three sentences followed by four restatements of the information. You must then choose the best version. For other questions, you will be given paragraphs with their sentences out of order. You must then choose, from four suggestions, the best order for the sentences.

Understanding and interpreting written material

These questions test for the ability to understand and interpret written material. You will be presented with brief reading passages and will be asked questions about the passages. You should base your answers to the questions **only** on what is presented in the passages and **not** on what you may happen to know about the topic.

Maintaining court security and proper response to courtroom situations

These questions will test for knowledge of accepted practices in the court security field. The subtest will consist of questions, many in a situational format, that will assess the ability of the candidate to ensure the security of courtrooms and related areas and to respond appropriately to situations commonly confronted by court security officers.

New York State laws related to court security

These questions will test for knowledge of laws in effect on January 1, 2017 that court security personnel may encounter in the course of doing their work. These questions may cover, but not necessarily be limited to, job-related sections of the Penal Law, the Criminal Procedure Law and other laws relevant to court security personnel in New York State.

Administrative supervision

These questions test for knowledge of the principles and practices involved in directing the activities of a large subordinate staff, including subordinate supervisors. Questions relate to the personal interactions between an upper level supervisor and his/her subordinate supervisors in the accomplishment of objectives. These questions cover such areas as assigning work to and coordinating the activities of several units, establishing and guiding staff development programs, evaluating the performance of subordinate supervisors, and maintaining relationships with other organizational sections.

Calculators and Reference Materials:

The use of calculators is **ALLOWED** for this exam. You may not bring books or other reference materials.

A "Guide to Taking the Written Test for the Civil Deputies/Court Security" is available at the Monroe County Civil Service Office in Room 210, County Office Building, 39 West Main Street, Rochester, NY 14614. The guide is also available on the Monroe County Web Site listed at the bottom of this page or by sending a self-addressed, stamped envelope to the above address. This guide contains sample test questions similar to the question that will be used in this written test.

This written examination is being prepared and rated in accordance with Section 23(2) of the Civil Service Law. The provisions of the New York State Civil Service Law, Rules and Regulations dealing with the preparation and rating of examinations, as well as establishment and certification of eligible lists for positions in the classified service will apply to this examination.

------ BASIC CIVIL SERVICE INFORMATION -------

Applications:

If you are applying for more than one exam, a separate application is required for each exam. Applications may be obtained at the address or web-site indicated at the bottom of the first page of this announcement.

Candidates must record the Exam Number and Title on the Application.

Seniority:

Seniority points will be added to the score of every passing candidate at the rate of one (1) point for each appropriate five (5) year period for each year of continuous permanent service calculated to the <u>date of original entry as a full-time employee</u> of the <u>Court Security Bureau</u> in accordance with the following schedule.

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Less than 1 year	0 Points
1 year up to 6 years	1 Point
Over 6 years up to 11 years	
Over 11 years up to 16 years	
Over 16 years up to 21 years	
Over 21 years up to 26 years	

Seniority points will be calculated at the time of written examination.

Certifications and Appointments:

The eligible list resulting from this examination will be established in accordance with the final earned numerical rating of passing candidates regardless of residence.

Veteran's Credits:

Veterans entitled to and wishing to claim additional points must file in the Monroe County Department of Human Resources an Application for Veteran's Credits (VC-1) form, and a copy of their military discharge papers (DD-214). Disabled veterans must also file two (2) copies of an Authorization for Veteran's Disability Record (VC-4) with Veterans Affairs. These forms are available at the Monroe County Department of Human Resources and must be filed within thirty (30) days of the examination date. No credit may be added after the eligible list has been established.

Candidates currently on active duty may apply within thirty (30) days of the examination. Upon discharge, candidates must submit a copy of their military discharge papers (DD-214). Any extra points will be applied upon our receipt of the discharge papers.

Active Military Members:

Special testing arrangements may be available to applicants who are active military members. For further information contact the Monroe County Department of Human Resources before submitting an application.

Special Arrangements for Examination:

If you need an alternate test date because you are a Religious Observer [for religious reasons, cannot be tested on date of examination(s)], if you have a disability that requires special accommodations for you to participate in an examination, or if you require any other kind of special accommodations, you must notify us at the address or telephone numbers listed on the front page of this announcement by the application deadline. Indicate your request on the front of your application for each exam, and under separate cover submit a statement outlining the reason for your request, the exam number(s) and title(s), and attach supporting documentation.

Multiple Exam Takers:

Persons also applying for examinations offered by the City of Rochester and/or New York State Civil Service Commission held on the same date must complete a crossfiler form, available from the Monroe County Department of Human Resources, which will provide for special arrangements. Arrangements must be made to take **ALL** examinations at **ONE** test site. Unless this form is filed with the Monroe County Department of Human Resources three (3) weeks prior to the exam date, we cannot ensure that such arrangements will be made. If you are taking multiple exams on the same date with Monroe County Civil Service Commission only, you do not have to file a cross-filer form.

Candidates taking more than one (1) exam in <u>different</u> exam series will be allowed the specified length of time for each exam, up to a maximum of eight (8) hours. Example: If you are taking one (1) exam which allows six (6) hours and another exam in a different series which allows four (4) hours, you must complete both tests in eight (8) hours, but you can spend no more time on each exam than the time allotted for that exam.

Candidates taking more than one (1) exam in the <u>same</u> exam series will be allowed up to the specified length of time for each exam. Example: If you are taking two (2) exams in the same series with a maximum time of five (5) hours for each exam, you can spend no more than five (5) hours to complete both exams.

Admission to Examination:

All applications will be reviewed after the "Closing Date for Filing" listed on the front page of this announcement. If there is a problem with your application, you will be notified in writing and given an opportunity to submit additional information to support your application. If there are no problems with your application, you will be sent an admission notice approximately one week before the exam date. If you have not received your admission notice to appear for the examination three days before the date of the exam, call the Monroe County Department of Human Resources at (585) 753-1700.

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