PARALEGAL

JOB TITLE: Paralegal
DEPARTMENT: Case Management
REPORTING TO: Deputy Head of Case Management
MANAGING OTHERS: No

Type of contract: Unfixed term contract CDI
Status: Level: 
Time: Full time
Travel: No

MAIN INTERNAL CONTACTS
- Deputy Head of Case Management, Case Manager(s), Results Management Co-ordinator(s), members of Testing and Investigations teams
- Head of AIU, Deputy Head of AIU, Legal Counsel/Head of Case Management, Head of Testing, Head of Investigations, Investigators, Communication & Education Manager, Office Manager

MAIN EXTERNAL CONTACTS
- External Legal Counsel
- World Athletics
- National Federations
- National Anti-Doping Organisations
- Athlete Representatives
- Athletes

GENERAL OVERVIEW OF THE POSITION

The Paralegal is responsible for assisting with all administrative aspects of the management of disciplinary cases arising under the World Athletics Anti-Doping Rules and/or the Integrity Code of Conduct.

The Paralegal has particular responsibility in assisting the Results Management Coordinator in charge of the management of Whereabouts Failures arising under the Anti-Doping Rules.

DESCRIPTION OF KEY RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE POSITION

- Registering new disciplinary cases in the case management system (national/international and doping/non-doping)
  - Retrieving notification of new doping cases in ADAMS
  - Registering new cases in the case management database in accordance with agreed protocol(s)
  - Preparing hard copy files where agreed, including cover sheets
- Notifying the Deputy Head of Case Management of the registration of new cases for allocation within the team

- Assisting in the management of disciplinary cases (national/international and doping/non-doping)
  - Assisting case managers/co-ordinators in the management of disciplinary cases as required
  - Sending reminder letters to National Federations/National Anti-Doping Organizations, in consultation with the case managers/assistants
  - Collating documents for Athlete Biological Passport cases (including Doping Control Forms/Laboratory Documentation Packages)
  - Preparing bundles for hearings before the Disciplinary Tribunal and/or CAS
  - Other administrative tasks as requested

- Assisting in the management of Whereabouts Failures
  - Working alongside the dedicated Results Management Co-ordinator in charge of the management of Whereabouts Failures including:
    - Monitoring the adequacy/compliance of whereabouts information filed in ADAMS by athletes in the International Registered Testing Pool and, if need be, initiating the results management process in the form of a first notification letter (Filing Failure)
    - Monitoring Unsuccessful Attempt Forms for the testing of athletes in the International Registered Testing Pool and making a preliminary evaluation as to whether an Unsuccessful Attempt might constitute a Whereabouts Failure by reference to the relevant criteria and, if so, initiating the results management process in the form of a first notification letter (Missed Test)
    - Reviewing athlete responses to first notification letters and determining if a Whereabouts Failure should be concluded (if need be, following further investigation and consultation with case managers/assistants)
    - Preparing files for Administrative Review if requested by an athlete
    - Recording finalized Whereabouts Failures in ADAMS
    - Monitoring Unsuccessful Attempts to test athletes in National Registered Testing Pools and ensuring that they are properly followed up and concluded at national level
    - Reporting on concluded Whereabouts Failures to the Deputy Head of Case Management
  - Collaborating with the Testing team in connection with the management of Whereabouts Failures in particular with a view to maximizing efficiencies in the process
- Registering closure of disciplinary cases in the system
  - Reporting to the Deputy Head of case management on the closure of cases
  - Preparing internal sanction memos in consultation with Case Managers/Results Management Co-ordinators
  - Assisting in the publication of final decisions, including updating the AIU website
  - Assisting with the publication of statistics/reporting of statistics to the Board
  - Registering files as closed on the case management database
  - Archiving any hard copy files

**EXPERIENCE REQUIRED**

- The Paralegal will have experience of working in office administration and the management of files. Experience of working in a legal environment is an advantage but not essential.

**SOFT SKILLS & EXPECTED BEHAVIOUR**

- Excellent organisational and administration skills
- Rigorous and methodical approach - close attention to detail
- Ability to work autonomously but also as part of a team
- Total integrity
- Highly efficient
- Confidentiality

**LANGUAGES & IT**

- Excellent level of English (both written and verbal)
- Working level of French an advantage
- Competency in other languages a bonus
- Good IT skills essential and experience of working with databases an advantage

**EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND**

- Bachelor’s degree in Law
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- Letter of application highlighting your motivation for the post and relevant experience
- Up to date curriculum vitae
- Details of current remuneration
- Names and contact details for three referees (referees will not be contacted until final interview stage)