Editorial Services Lead

Department: Brand & Communications

Organizational Relationship: Reports to the Editorial Services Manager

FLSA Status: Exempt

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General Summary:

The Editorial Services Lead is an integral part of the Brand & Communications Department, contributing to a diverse range of editing and writing projects. This role works closely with lawyers and teams within Brand & Communications and Business Development to craft and refine content that resonates with both internal and external audiences.

As a proactive member of the Editorial Services team, the Lead engages in cross-department content development and is instrumental in producing creative, high-quality collateral across various channels and formats that adheres to the firm's style and tone. The Lead plays a significant role in project management and advancing content through development and into production.

Essential Duties and Responsibilities:

"Essential duties" are those that an individual must be able to perform with or without reasonable accommodation.

- Participates in specific editorial initiatives, which may include generating marketing communications, digital copy, thought leadership, award submissions, and lawyer biographies
- Keeps abreast of trends within editing and marketing communications to present our value proposition, people, capabilities, and insights in ways that engage and resonate with a range of stakeholders
- Upholds the quality of content produced by the team, ensuring it aligns with the firm's strategic vision
- 4. Actively contributes to and manage aspects of editorial projects, maintaining a focus on excellence and timeliness
- Remains informed about the firm's priorities, industry developments, and communication trends
- 6. Maintains the integrity and consistency of information across all firm communication platforms, safeguarding confidentiality
- 7. Supports team development by assisting with onboarding and mentoring of new and junior colleagues
- Promotes effective work practices, works as a team member, and shows respect for coworkers

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Position Specifications

Education

- Bachelor's degree or equivalent in marketing, journalism, or communications required
- Four years' relevant training and experience may be considered in lieu of a degree
- Legal degree or graduate degree in communications or business preferred

Work Experience

- A minimum of five years' communications, public relations, and/or journalism experience required
- A minimum of three years' professional services experience preferred

Knowledge, Skills, and Abilities

- Excellent writing skills and the ability to produce high-quality content and adhere to department standards
- Solid understanding of the marketing communications function and business development cycle within a professional services organization
- Knowledge of B2B marketing concepts
- Proficiency in Microsoft Office and content management systems
- Ability to use AI tools for content enhancement and operational efficiency
- Familiarity with AP style and the ability to write according to specific style guidelines
- Strong project management skills and familiarity with tools such as Asana and MS Teams
- Editing skills, including the ability to provide and receive constructive feedback
- Ability to conduct effective interviews and meetings with lawyers
- Ability to manage both immediate and long-term project timelines
- Ability to work in a team-oriented environment with a strong customer-service focus
- Analytical problem-solving skills and the ability to make sound decisions
- Organizational skills necessary to manage time effectively and meet multiple deadlines

Physical Demands

• Extensive time using a computer including use of a PC keyboard and mouse or similar data input devices is required.

Working Conditions

All Latham & Watkins positions are in a typical indoor office environment.

The statements contained in this position description are not necessarily all-inclusive; additional duties may be assigned, and requirements may vary from time to time, and from location to location.