

VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT #21-28

JUDICIAL LAW CLERK

United States District Court | Middle District of Florida
Fort Myers Division

Details

Location

Fort Myers or
Tampa, FL

Salary Range

\$64,649 to \$108,885

Term

2-Year Term beginning
Summer 2021; Possible
Career Law Clerk status
depending upon the
applicant's experience

Deadline

Open until filled

Interviews

Scheduled as applications
are reviewed

How to Apply

Submit a (1) cover letter
explaining your interest in
this clerkship, (2) resume
listing your law school class
rank, a writing sample, (3)
official or unofficial
transcripts, and (4) a list of
three professional references
(no letters, please) with
telephone contact numbers
in a single .pdf file to:
resume_orl@flmd.uscourts.gov
Recommendation letters will be
requested if needed.

Position Overview

This vacancy is for a term law clerk to the Honorable John L. Badalamenti, United States District Judge. At the Judge's discretion, the clerk may be hired as a career, rather than a term, clerk. While interested candidates must commit to a 2-year clerkship, the Judge will evaluate the employment relationship after 1 year. Good character and sound judgment, efficient research, analysis and concise writing, mindfulness for multiple pending deadlines, professional communication, and a service-oriented and collaborative work ethic are essential and required. Judge Badalamenti's duty station is the Fort Myers Division. The Judge, at his discretion, may permit the selected individual to work in either Fort Myers or Tampa.

The law clerk has full responsibility for assigned cases. The law clerk reviews complaints for jurisdiction, drafts proposed orders, conducts legal research, manages an entirely civil docket, assists with and attends court proceedings, acts as a legal advisor on pending litigation, and performs other duties as assigned. Although the nature of the work is serious, the office environment is personable. There is daily interaction with Judge Badalamenti and the other law clerks. The law clerk must be able to work harmoniously with others and communicate effectively, both orally and in writing. Professionalism and kindness are of utmost importance.

Minimum Qualifications

The position requires excellent writing, analytical, and time management skills. The District's caseload is one of the busiest in the United States. Applicants must have a strong work ethic and be able to meet multiple deadlines in a timely and organized fashion. At the time of appointment, applicants must be law school graduates and members of a bar. Prior clerkship experience and/or 2 to 3 years of post-graduate legal experience, academic standing in the top 25 percent and experience on law review or a law journal are strongly preferred.

Other Information

Employment with the United States District Court offers a generous benefit package, civil and criminal law experience at the federal court level, and an environment providing significant responsibility and challenge. Visit OPM.gov for more information about available benefits and eligibility.

Starting salary will be commensurate with work experience and prior pay history. Salary may be higher with previous experience as a law clerk to a federal judge.

Employees are required to use Electronic Fund Transfer (EFT) for payroll deposit. Applicants must be U.S. citizens or eligible to work in the United States. The elected candidate will be subject to a background check as a condition of employment.

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