

UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE SECOND CIRCUIT



VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

August 30, 2017

Reference No.: FY 17-28

Position Title: Motions Staff Attorney
Location: Clerk's Office, New York, NY
Appointment: 2 year term; subject to extension
Salary Range: CL 26/10 – CL 26/34 (\$54,686 – \$67,189)
Dependent upon experience, education, and qualifications
Closing Date: September 22, 2017

The United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit is accepting applications for the position of **Motions Staff Attorney** in the Administrative Attorneys' Office.

POSITION OVERVIEW: The Administrative Attorneys' Office is an integral part of the Clerk's Office that works with chambers and the Staff Attorney's Office to ensure the proper adjudication of procedural motions, substantive motions, and emergency applications that are filed with the Court. The responsibilities of the Motions Staff Attorney include, but are not limited to: reviewing and transmitting substantive motions, procedural motions, and emergency applications to chambers or the Staff Attorney's Office, as appropriate; drafting orders and judgments; assisting the Staff Attorney's Office in jurisdictional screening of appeals; screening appeals to determine eligibility for the Court's expedited appeals calendar; providing legal analysis, advice, and assistance to the Court, Clerk of Court, and Clerk's Office staff regarding procedural matters; responding to inquiries from Court staff, counsel, and the public regarding motion practice, the Federal Rules of Appellate Procedure, and local rules; and performing other duties as assigned by the Clerk.

REQUIRED QUALIFICATIONS: Applicants must possess (1) a Juris Doctor from an ABA-approved law school; (2) membership in good standing in the bar of a state, territorial or federal court of general jurisdiction; and (3) at least one year of post-law school experience. Qualified applicants must also possess excellent verbal and written communication skills; superior analytical, organizational, and interpersonal skills; and the ability and desire to interact with both chambers and non-attorney Court staff on a daily basis. A judicial clerkship or internship or prior experience working in a court is desirable.

BENEFITS: 13 days of vacation for the first three years, which increases with tenure. 13 days of sick leave and 10 holidays. Choice of employer-subsidized federal health and life insurance plans, with optional dental, vision, and long-term care coverage. Flexible spending account program. Federal Employees Retirement System and employer-matching Thrift Savings Plan (similar to a 401K). On-site fitness center and cafeteria. Public transportation subsidy (budget dependent).

CONDITIONS OF EMPLOYMENT: Must be a U.S. citizen or lawful permanent resident seeking U.S. citizenship. Positions with the U.S. Courts are excepted service appointments, which are “at will” and may be terminated with or without cause. Employees are hired provisionally, pending the results of a background investigation. Employees are required to use electronic funds transfer for payroll deposit.

To APPLY: An application package must include: a cover letter, resume, salary history, and two self-edited writing samples. Please submit the application package by email, **preferably as a single PDF attachment**, to resumes@ca2.uscourts.gov, subject line: Motions Staff Attorney, Reference No. FY 17-28. Only candidates selected for an interview will be notified and must travel at their own expense. Interested applicants are strongly encouraged to apply immediately.

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