



## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON

### TERM SOCIAL SECURITY LAW CLERK

**ANNOUNCEMENT NUMBER** 16-WAW-01  
**ANNOUNCEMENT DATE** October 2, 2015  
**CLOSING DATE** Open until filled

**DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES** The U.S. District Court for the Western District of Washington is seeking qualified candidates for a term law clerk position. Our district has one of the highest social security caseloads in the country and we seek a law clerk to assist with this caseload. This full-time term position is open immediately, and is funded through December 31, 2016. The position may continue beyond, subject to funding. The position is located in Seattle, WA and will work under the direction of the chief judge.

**REPRESENTATIVE DUTIES**

- The law clerk in this position will work for the court on social security appeals and will perform legal research, draft reports and recommendations, proposed orders and orders in consent cases.

**QUALIFICATIONS**

- Candidates must be law school graduates from an accredited law school, must work well independently, must possess excellent research and writing skills, and must be experienced with Word, Westlaw or Lexis, and related software. Preference will be given to individuals with previous experience, particularly with social security cases.

**SALARY** JS P Grade 11-14, Salary Range: \$62,486 to \$105,243  
Depending on experience and qualifications

**INFORMATION FOR APPLICANTS** Qualified applicants should submit the following:

- A letter of interest addressing relevant work experience
- A current resume
- A writing sample of no more than five pages

Submit all materials via e-mail (Word or Acrobat .pdf format) to:

[seattle\\_personnel@wawd.uscourts.gov](mailto:seattle_personnel@wawd.uscourts.gov)

Or send to:

Human Resources (#16-WAW-01)  
U. S. District Court  
700 Stewart Street, Suite 2218  
Seattle, WA 98101

Only qualified applicants will be considered for this position. Applicants must be United States citizens or eligible to work in the United States. Applicants selected for interviews must travel at their own expense.

The United States District Court requires employees to follow a code of conduct which is available upon request. Reference checks with current and former employers will be conducted on top candidates. A background investigation with law enforcement agencies, including fingerprint and criminal record checks, will be conducted as a condition of employment. Any applicant selected for a position will be hired provisionally pending successful completion of the investigation. Unsatisfactory results may result in termination of employment.

The Federal Financial Management Reform Act requires direct deposit of federal wages.

The Court provides reasonable accommodations to applicants with disabilities. If you need a reasonable accommodation, please notify human resources. The decision on granting reasonable accommodations will be made on a case by case basis.

The Court reserves the right to modify the conditions of this job announcement, to withdraw the announcement, or to fill the position sooner than the closing date, any of which may occur without prior written or other notice. In the event that a position becomes vacant in a similar classification, within a reasonable time from the original announcement, management may elect to select a candidate from the applicants who responded to the original announcement without posting the position. More than one position may be filled from this announcement.

**BENEFITS:**

Employees of the United States District Court are considered “at will” employees. Term law clerks are eligible to participate in health and life insurance benefits, long term disability and long term care options, annual and sick leave accrual, and ten paid holidays per year. Judiciary employees are not covered by the Office of Personnel Management’s civil service classification system or regulations. For additional information on employment with the federal courts, please visit [www.uscourts.gov](http://www.uscourts.gov).

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