

## CLERKSHIPS

I have two law clerks. One is a permanent (career track) clerk, the other a recent law school graduate. I currently do not have any openings, but I will update this website in the event an opening becomes available. I prefer law clerks to have taken the bar examination before starting work.

As a senior district judge, I handle a docket of mostly civil cases. Law clerks can agree, with my approval, to swap case assignments if one of them is interested in developing specialized skills in a particular area such as environmental or business law. Otherwise, assignments are made to balance the workload.

While law clerks prepare bench memoranda for me and jury instructions for distribution to counsel for use in jury trials, the majority of the workload entails drafting, editing, and collaborating in the production of written opinions on motions, findings of fact, and conclusions of law. Law clerks serve also as mentors to judicial interns selected on the basis of merit from regional and national law schools.

In selecting law clerks, I focus on transcripts, writing samples, and demonstrations of originality and creativity. Interests and activities outside of law school, both before and after are important. Ultimately, I seek law clerks who combine character and intelligence, people who enjoy learning, other people, and themselves. While selection is not contingent upon having served as an intern, previous experience working in my chambers is looked upon favorably.

Once a position becomes available, interested individuals should submit a cover letter, resume, copy of their law school transcripts, and original legal writing sample. These materials should be submitted by mail to:

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