



UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

Northern District of Illinois, Chicago

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NOTICE OF POSITION VACANCY

Date:	March 17, 2017	Grade Range:	CL 23-01 to CL 25-61
Job Announcement No.:	2017-17	Salary Range:	\$35,872 - \$71,349
No. of Vacancies:	Up to Four	Closing Date:	March 31, 2017
Position Title:	Docket Clerk		

Looking to start a rewarding career with great benefits? If this sounds appealing to you, the Court is now accepting applications for up to four Docket Clerks. This is an excellent opportunity for an individual who is self-motivated with strong attention to detail. Serious consideration will be given to those who submit a cover letter, resume and application. To apply, please see "Notice to Applicants" listed below.

POSITION OVERVIEW

The United States District Court for the Northern District of Illinois is currently accepting applications for up to four Docket Clerks. These positions are located in the office of the Clerk of Court and report directly to the Operations Supervisors.

POSITION DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

- Processing criminal and civil legal documents; issuing summonses/writs; making summary entries of pleadings, petitions, motions, complaints, minute orders, and proceedings on the Case Management/Electronic Case Files (CM/ECF) docket.
- Preparing and transmitting to appropriate parties such items as notices, judgments and orders; informing parties when a judgment or appealable order is entered on the docket.
- Answering inquiries about the status of cases; assisting the public by answering case related inquiries and providing electronic filing assistance in a customer friendly manner.
- Coordinating incoming documents and distributing to proper destinations.
- Assuring all filings and motions conform to federal and local rules of practice; filing documents; scanning documents, opening cases upon receipt of initiating documents, such as complaints, indictments, or petitions.
- Closing cases upon receipt of terminating documents, such as judgments and closing orders.
- Auditing electronic filings and providing feedback to customers; auditing internal documents and ensuring necessary follow-up; and assigning judges to cases.
- Performs other duties as assigned.

JOB REQUIREMENTS AND QUALIFICATIONS

A minimum of two years of clerical or administrative work are required providing experience in: distributing mail, photocopying, drafting correspondences, sorting documents, communicating effectively and diplomatically, using personal computers and software applications such as WordPerfect, Word, Excel and Lotus Notes, and working in a team setting. Typing of 40 wpm is desirable. The ability to change priorities,

work quickly and accurately and produce quality results within a reasonable time frame and maintain concentration despite interruptions. The incumbents must have strong customer service skills with the ability to provide clear and detailed oral and written instructions, strong organizational skills, good knowledge of proper grammar usage and the ability to edit efficiently. A general knowledge of the papers filed with our Court is desirable. The successful candidates must have the ability to verify data entries against established standards for accuracy and completeness while meeting deadlines. Paralegal training or certificate is preferred. College degree is preferred.

COMPENSATION

Compensation and classification level will be set based on the work experience, qualifications, and salary history of the successful candidate. To qualify at CL 23, applicants must have a high school diploma or equivalent and have two years of general experience which is in or closely related to the work of the position and demonstrates the knowledge, skill, and ability to successfully perform the duties of the position. Internal candidates must have one year of experience at the next lower classification level. To qualify at a CL 24, applicants must have one year of specialized experience to work at the CL 23. To qualify at a CL 25, applicants must have one year of specialized experience to work at the CL 24. **Specialized experience is:**

Progressively responsible clerical or administrative experience requiring the regular and recurring application of clerical procedures that demonstrate the ability to apply a body of rules, regulations, directives, or laws and involve the routine use of specialized terminology and automated software and equipment for word processing, data entry or report generation. Such experience is commonly encountered in law firms, legal counsel offices, banking and credit firms, educational institutions, social service organizations, insurance companies, real estate and title offices, and corporate headquarters or human resources/payroll operations.

EMPLOYEE BENEFITS

The United States District Court offers a generous benefits package to full-time, permanent employees, which includes:

10 Paid Federal Holidays

13 Days Paid Vacation (per year for the first three years)

20 Days Paid Vacation (after three years)

26 Days Paid Vacation (after fifteen years)

13 Days Paid Sick Leave

Medical, Dental, Vision Coverage

Life Insurance

Thrift Savings Plan with matching funds (401k & Roth 401k style)

Participation in Federal Employees Retirement System (FERS-FRAE)

(Benefits continued on the next page)

Health, Dependent, & Parking Reimbursement Programs

Public Transit Subsidy Program

Long-Term Care Insurance

Employee Assistance Program, which provides free counseling, financial assistance, and basic legal services to all eligible employees

Access to an Infant Care and Toddler Care Center (onsite and near the building), and a Fitness Center (onsite) at a subsidized rate

A Public Service Loan Forgiveness Program is available to certain full-time employees with qualifying student loans.

Further details regarding Federal benefits may be viewed at:

<http://www.ilnd.uscourts.gov/Pages.aspx?page=benefits>

NOTICE TO APPLICANTS

Candidates must apply via the U.S. District Court, Northern District of Illinois website by providing a cover letter, resume, and application. Job announcements and employment applications may be obtained by visiting our web site at:

<http://www.ilnd.uscourts.gov/Pages.aspx?page=jobpage>

Please send your requisite cover letter, application, and resume in a single pdf to: human_resources_ilnd@ilnd.uscourts.gov. Application materials must be received by the Human Resources Department by Friday, March 31, 2017.

Due to the volume of applications received, the Court will only communicate with those applicants who will be interviewed. Applicants selected for interviews must travel at their own expense and relocation expenses will not be reimbursed.

This is a high sensitive position; the finalist candidate will be required to satisfactorily complete a criminal background investigation. The Court requires employees to adhere to a Code of Conduct which is available upon request. Direct deposit is required for payment of compensation for employees. Employees of the District Court, Northern District of Illinois are excepted service appointments. Employees are considered at-will and are not covered by federal civil service classifications or regulations. Applicants must be U.S. citizens or eligible to work in the United States.

The Court reserves the right to modify the conditions of this job announcement, or to withdraw the announcement, any of which may occur without prior written or other notice.