



UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

Northern District of Illinois, Chicago

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NOTICE OF POSITION VACANCY

Date:	September 3, 2021	Grade Range:	CL 23-1 to CL 24-61
Job Announcement No.:	2021-19	Salary Range:	\$38,754 - \$69,761
No. of Vacancies:	One	Closing Date:	Open until filled.
Position Title:	Jury Clerk	Applications received by September 17, 2021 will receive first consideration.	

The United States District Court, Northern District of Illinois, is now accepting applications for a Jury Clerk. Consideration will only be given to those who apply through the Court's online applicant tracking system and submit a cover letter, resume and two professional references. To apply, please see "Notice to Applicants" listed below.

POSITION OVERVIEW

This position is located within the Jury Department in Chicago, Illinois and reports directly to the Assistant Jury Administrator. The Jury Clerk performs administrative and customer service work to coordinate and prepare qualified jurors for jury selection, in accordance with approved internal controls, procedures, and rules. This position ensures efficient and fair operations related to the selection, qualification, summoning, orientation, management and payment of jurors for petit and grand juries.

POSITION DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

- Perform duties relating to master jury wheel refill and grand jury selection.
- Monitor and record the jury questionnaire process, juror attendance and selection.
- Provide support and assist jurors during jury service.
- Prepare and mail summons notices and forms. Process payments and reimbursements for jurors; prepare attendance certificates on behalf of jurors. Process returned summons (including data entry and preparing excusal letters).
- Operates the Court's Jury Management System (JMS) and e-juror component of JMS and other automated systems.
- Maintain and update the inbound and outbound telephone calls through use of an interactive voice response system for summoned jurors. Maintain and update demographic and other information on juror candidates.
- Answer a high volume of telephone calls and emails from prospective jurors seeking guidance about their service to the Court.
- Greet jurors and welcome them to the Court. Assist potential jurors with the check in process.
- Work with chambers staff, Clerk's Office staff, U.S. Marshals Service, U.S. Attorney's Office, and other groups to ensure the smooth operation of high-profile or protracted jury trials.
- Performs other duties as assigned.

JOB REQUIREMENTS AND QUALIFICATIONS

Qualified applicants must have customer service experience involving significant public contact and personal interaction, experience managing a heavy call volume and the ability to speak publicly in front of a large group. The incumbent must also possess the ability to provide assistance and support to higher-level positions and experience inputting and extracting information from database applications. Additionally, the successful applicant must have the ability to exercise sound judgment, follow administrative directives and other policies and work independently and as part of a team depending on what the situation requires.

A high school diploma or equivalent is required. A Bachelor's degree is preferred. Experience inputting and extracting information from database applications is also preferred. Preference will be given to applicants with prior court experience.

COMPENSATION

Compensation and classification level will be set based on the work experience, qualifications, and salary history of the successful candidate. To qualify at CL23, the candidate must have a high school diploma and a minimum of two years of general experience. To qualify at a CL24, applicants must have one year of specialized experience equivalent to work at the CL23 level.

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:

- 11 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
- Paid Parental 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)
- 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).
- A Public Service Loan Forgiveness Program is available to certain full-time employees with qualifying student loans.

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

Further details regarding Federal benefits may be viewed at: [ILND Benefits](#)

NOTICE TO APPLICANTS

Consideration will only be given to those who apply through the court's online applicant tracking system and provide a cover letter, resume and provide two professional references. To view openings and to apply, visit our applicant tracking system at: [ILND Jobs](#)

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

Prior to appointment, 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. The United States District Court is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

Diversity is important to the Judiciary. It is an essential component of services that the Judiciary is charged with providing to maintain justice, equality, fairness, respect, and dignity in society. To fulfill its duties, the Judiciary must include all members of society—not just regardless, but also inclusive of race, gender, disability, and the many other variables that make up the citizens of our nation. The Judiciary has a duty to promote a fair, just, and sustainable model of inclusive democracy and social justice that surpasses any governmental entity in the history of this nation or of any other nation.

To be eligible for employment, applicants must meet one of the following requirements:

- (1) U.S. citizen;
- (2) Person who owes allegiance to the U.S. (i.e., nationals of American Samoa, Swains Island, and the Northern Mariana Islands);
- (3) Person admitted as a refugee or granted asylum who has filed a declaration of intention to become a lawful permanent resident and then a citizen when eligible; or
- (4) Lawful permanent resident (i.e., green card holder) who is seeking citizenship. A lawful permanent resident "seeking citizenship":
 - a. May not apply for citizenship until he or she has been a permanent resident for at least five years (three years if seeking naturalization as a spouse of a citizen);
 - b. Must apply for citizenship within six months of becoming eligible; and
 - c. Must complete the process within two years of applying (unless there is a delay caused by the processors of the application).

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.

INFORMATION ABOUT THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS

The Northern District of Illinois is home to the five largest cities in Illinois: Chicago, Aurora, Rockford, Joliet, and Naperville. Also known as “The Windy City,” Chicago is the third most populous city in the U.S. with over 2.7 million inhabitants and nearly 10 million people living in the Chicago metropolitan area. With Lake Michigan as its eastern border, Chicago covers more than 237 square miles.

Chicago is home to numerous museums and cultural institutions including Art Institute of Chicago, Field Museum, Museum of Science and Industry, Shedd Aquarium, and Adler Planetarium. A center of art and culture, Chicago has over 200 theaters, nearly 200 art galleries, and more than 7,300 restaurants.

Known for its magnificent skyline, Chicago is home to buildings designed by some of the world’s most renowned architects including Daniel Burnham, Louis Sullivan, Frank Lloyd Wright, and Mies van der Rohe, who designed the Dirksen Courthouse.

Major Chicago universities include University of Chicago, Northwestern University, Loyola University, University of Illinois Chicago, DePaul University and Illinois Institute of Technology. Professional Chicago sports teams include the Bulls (NBA), Sky (WNBA), Bears (NFL), Cubs (MLB), White Sox (MLB), Fire (MLS), Chicago Blackhawks (NHL), and Red Stars (NWSL). Chicago is a major world finance center. The Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago, the Chicago Stock Exchange, the Chicago Board Options Exchange, and the Chicago Mercantile Exchange are within blocks of the Courthouse. The Northern District of Illinois is home to three international airports including O’Hare International Airport, among the busiest airports in the world.