

**The Honorable Maria Valdez
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Room 1058
Chicago, IL 60604**

Judge Valdez adheres to the Federal Judges Law Clerk Hiring Plan utilizing the Online System for Clerkship Application and Review (OSCAR) for third-year law school applicants.

Law Clerk Hiring Information

Number of clerks hired per year	1
Length of clerkship	1 year (non-renewable)
Beginning date of clerkship	The Tuesday following Labor Day
Complete applications must include	Cover letter, resume, law school transcript, 2 letters of recommendation, writing sample. Top third of the class preferred.
Applications accepted	At the time specified by the federal hiring plan for third-year law students and only through the OSCAR website; other applicants may apply at any time
Accept application by mail for law school graduates only (no e-mail or fax)	Yes
Confirmation letter sent upon receipt of application	No
Confirmation letter sent after hiring process	Yes, to applicants asked to interview with Judge Valdez. Notice that the position is filled will be posted on OSCAR and this website.