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## Summer/Fall/Spring Law Clerk

### Position Information

**Employer:** U.S. Attorney's Office for the Dist. of Nevada (Las Vegas, NV)

**Division:** N/A

**Title:** Summer/Fall/Spring Law Clerk

**Description:** Number of Summer Positions Available: 10 Positions at the Las Vegas, Nevada office and 2 Positions at the Reno, Nevada office. No limits currently set for school fall and spring semesters. The office selects both first and second year law students for law clerk positions.

The United States Attorney's Office for the District of Nevada, through its Summer/Fall/Spring Law Clerk Program, seeks to provide exceptional law students with an interest in a public service career with a unique summer work experience combining the opportunity to work with criminal and civil attorneys on numerous matters of public interest along with the privilege to participate in courtroom hearings and misdemeanor and felony trials. The Office makes a concerted effort to have second year students actively participate in court proceedings and trials. Depending on the office's hearing and trial schedule, second year students can expect to handle responsibility for presentation of misdemeanor trials, witnesses and jury arguments in small felony trials, motion hearings, detention hearings and initial appearances. Former law clerks have indicated the Office does an outstanding job of exposing law students to both office and courtroom practice of criminal and civil law.

Clerkships in our program are available only on an unpaid, volunteer basis. Frequently, schools will provide class credit for participating in our program. Some schools also have grant money available for students participating in our program. You should contact your school's financial aid office to determine the possibility of grant money available to you.

In their positions, law clerks are typically expected to research and write pleadings, memoranda of law, trial briefs, appellate briefs, complaints, answers, motion papers, proposed orders, settlements, stipulations, interrogatories, complaints and indictments. Many of the cases in which law clerks are assigned are highly sensitive and confidential, involving matters of intense public interest. Law clerks in the past few years have assisted with preparation of death penalty memoranda, responses to motions in large scale narcotics prosecutions, extradition pleadings relating to money laundering and appellate briefs.

An advantage of our law clerk program is the opportunity

### How To Apply

**Requested Documents:**

- Resume
- Cover Letter

**Applications accepted via:**

- Email

### Important Dates

**Posted On:**

Sep 14, 2009

### Default Email For Resumes

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for students who have completed their second year to appear in court as interns. Each year second year students typically handle most of the petty offense hearings, initial appearances and bail and detention. Second year students also frequently appear in felony criminal prosecutions, assisting prosecutors, arguing motions and examining witnesses. If appropriate trials are scheduled, second year students often are permitted to Afirst chair@ trials, such as misdemeanor cases or small drug cases, including responsibility for jury selection, opening and closing statements and witness examinations. While first year students cannot make speaking appearances in courtroom proceedings, the Office has frequently assigned first year students to attorneys preparing for and participating in trials or civil depositions. First year students in such assignments obtain first hand experience with the preparation of witnesses and exhibits for trial, the jury selection process, and the development and implementation of trial strategy. Our Appellate Division provides excellent opportunities to participate in the briefing of important appeals.

Geographic Mountain (AZ, CO, ID, MT, NV, NM, UT, WY)  
Preference:

Practice Area Criminal  
(s):

Class Level 1L, 2L  
(s):

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