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MAY 2025 TO 2026 CERTIFIED LAW CLERK POSITIONS OPEN

If you wake up every morning with a desire to "do the right thing" and make a difference in someone's life, exploring a career in prosecution as a Certified Law Clerk at the Clackamas County District Attorney's office is exactly where you should be.

Working in the DA's office is more of a calling than a job. It's the impact you make every day on the lives of the people of Oregon that drive people to become prosecutors. Law school is only the beginning.

WHAT OUR PROGRAM OFFERS

Here's what the CCDA Law Clerk Program (LPC) provides that you won't learn in a classroom:

- 1. Hands-on Learning: Some days you'll be assigned the docket for all the cases coming before a judge that day. You will learn the nuances of working within the justice system efficiently and professionally as you represent the entire office. You will have opportunities to try real cases in Court and gain actual trial experience as a representative of the District Attorney's Office.
- 2. Mentorship From Highly Skilled Deputy District Attorneys: We support you at every step along the journey. You'll have access to, and be mentored by, some of the best, brightest and most seasoned prosecutors in the State of Oregon. Our environment is not sink or swim. You will have true and trusted mentors who will guide you throughout your experience as a clerk.
- 3. **Skill Development:** You will receive a crash course in what it looks like to be a fulltime prosecutor firsthand through the excitement and complexity of everything from preparing witnesses for trial, jury selection and trial presentation to help the jury make an informed and just decision.
- 4. **Meaningful Career Exploration:** You will have the opportunity to explore a public service career in the criminal justice system all while gaining real world work experience.

CLACKAMAS COUNTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE

We embrace and insist on diversity including ethnic, cultural, gender, age, sexual orientation, religious, disability and diversity of ideas and viewpoints. Our ability to serve our community requires varied perspectives and insights. We invite you to bring your ideas and life experiences and apply those to the work of the DA's office.

WHAT'S DIFFERENT ABOUT THE CLACKAMAS COUNTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE?

- This office distinguishes itself from others by allowing each DDA the autonomy to do what's right, while offering the support, collaboration with peers and resources needed to get the job done.
- With over 400,000 citizens and 1800 square miles that include Oregon's tallest mountain and its second largest river, this County has it all!
- We have one of the highest retention rates because people like working and living in Clackamas County. It's not just a job, it's a lifelong career.
- Each DDA in this office carries a caseload from charging to sentencing -- always advocating for what is ethically, morally, and legally right.

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Certified Law Clerks wage is \$19.76/hr.

In addition to competitive wages, Clackamas County District Attorney's Office offers each Clerk robust hands on training opportunities that prepare you for a successful carrier in the legal field.

If you are up to the challenge of this clerking in a prosecutors' office and want to make Clackamas County a better, safer place to live, then apply now.

REQUIRED MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:

- Must be actively in a Law Degree program and completed 2L year
- Must have certification as a Certified Law Student, or meet the qualification by start date in May
- Must pass pre-employment:
 - Reference Check
 - Background Check including national or state fingerprint records check and CJIS certification
 - Drug Screening

*For Veterans qualified for Veteran's Preference: If you believe you have skills that would transfer well to this position and/or special qualifications that relate to this position, please list those skills and/or qualifications in your submission materials and explain how those skills and/or qualifications relate to this position

HOW TO APPLY

Email the following in one PDF attachment in this order:

- 1. Cover letter
- 2. Resume
- 3. Law school transcript (official or unofficial)
- 4. Clackamas County DA's Office Application (attached below)

Candidates selected for an interview will be asked to fill out a detailed Statement of Personal History that will be used to conduct a background check.

Send complete Certified Law Student Application materials to: BGolden@clackamas.us

Contact Us:

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