

POSITION ANNOUNCEMENT
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STAFF ATTORNEY

The United States Court of Appeals for the Eighth Circuit is looking for smart, hardworking lawyers or recent law school graduates to serve in two-year clerkships as staff attorneys in St. Louis, Missouri, beginning in August 2009 or earlier. Staff attorneys work under the direction of the Senior Staff Attorney for the court as a whole, primarily preparing legal memoranda and proposed per curiam opinions for cases in which a party is proceeding without an attorney, and for counseled cases that are decided by the court on the briefs. Candidates should excel in legal research and analysis, and should be superior writers who wish to become better writers. Candidates must be willing and able to work with an editor. A demonstrated commitment to justice is desirable. Minimum qualifications for a CL 27, Step 25 level (currently \$54,494) are graduation with a J.D. or LL.B. degree from an accredited law school, and one year of specialized experience, which may be satisfied by superior academic performance in law school. Candidates with experience may be placed at a higher level. Qualified candidates are eligible for future promotion. Candidates are being sought on a nationwide basis; must be U.S. citizens or eligible to work in the United States; must agree to be paid by direct deposit; and are subject to a background check. The court is an Equal Opportunity Employer. Applicants should submit cover letter (referencing announcement #2008-0_), resume, copy of law school transcript, indication of class rank, unedited writing sample, and a list of three references, either (1) by mail to Senior Staff Attorney, U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eighth Circuit, 111 South 10th Street, Suite 23.336, St. Louis, Missouri 63102, or (2) via email to angela_schardan@ca8.uscourts.gov (all documents must be submitted in PDF format). Only resumes received by October 31, 2008, are assured consideration.