Judicial Clerkships

The Supreme Court of Texas accepts applications for law-clerk positions that begin each September on the day after Labor Day and end the following August. Strong preference is given to candidates with outstanding academic records and demonstrated writing ability.

Law clerks assist the justice they work for with legal research, studying petitions for review, preparing for oral argument, and researching and drafting opinions. The Court has discretionary review and hears civil cases only. The Court is one of only a few in the nation to permit law clerks to sit in conference during its deliberations.

To apply, email a cover letter, résumé, unofficial law-school transcript, writing sample, and two letters of recommendation in separate PDF attachments to each justice you wish to apply to, using the following email addresses: HechtApps@txcourts.gov; LehrmannApps@txcourts.gov; BoydApps@txcourts.gov; DevineApps@txcourts.gov; BlacklockApps@txcourts.gov; BusbyApps@txcourts.gov; BlandApps@txcourts.gov; HuddleApps@txcourts.gov; and YoungApps@txcourts.gov.

The subject line of your email must include your name, “Law Clerk Application,” and the clerkship year for which you are applying.

There are no application deadlines. Each justice hires on his or her own timetable. We do not respond to questions about the status of an application or whether a particular judge has completed hiring.

No applicant will be refused employment because of race, color, ethnic background, religion, creed, sex, sexual orientation, marital status, age, or any similar consideration. The annual salary for a law clerk is approximately $57,000.