



# 2023 JUDICIAL CLERKSHIP PROGRAM

## Eligibility

Law students meeting the following criteria shall be eligible to apply in the program:

- a. The applicant must be a second-year law student at an accredited U.S. law school.
- b. The applicant must be in academic good standing with their law school.
- c. The applicant must possess and demonstrate capable legal research and writing skills.
- d. The applicant must be available for the 10 week program beginning Tuesday, May 30 – Friday, July 28, 2023.
- e. The applicant must be willing to comply with the rules of judicial conduct that applies to the judicial chambers where they work.
- f. Attend Judicial Clerkship Bootcamp dates: Oct. 4, Nov. 1, Nov. 29 and Jan. 17

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## Application

Applicants for the Judicial Clerkship Program are required to submit the following materials for consideration:

- a. **Cover letter/personal statement:** Applicants' personal statements should include general autobiographical information (family, academic, employment, or financial history; community or work experience, and extracurricular activities). The statement should set forth the reasons why the applicant wants to participate in the program and why the applicant should be selected. Applicants' letters should state personal characteristics, overcoming adversity, career goals, and/or personal motivation. The applicant should also identify any ties to the State of New Mexico or interest in practicing in the State of New Mexico after law school graduation. The cover letter is limited to two (2) pages.
- b. **Professional resume or curriculum vitae:** The resume/cv is limited to two (2) pages.
- c. **Letter of Reference:** Limit one one (1). Preferably from a law professor.
- d. **One writing sample:** One legal research writing sample should demonstrate the applicant's research and writing skills. The writing sample must not exceed five pages double spaced in Times New Roman font or similar, not larger than 14 point font. The writing sample may be an excerpt from a larger document and may be a writing sample used during a law school academic course.
- e. **Proof of academic standing:** Applicants must submit proof of academic standing. This must be submitted on behalf of the applicants law school to memberservices@sbnm.org. Applicants are not permitted to submit academic transcript or make reference to GPA or class rank.

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## Deadline

Application must be submitted as ONE (1) document or PDF. Applications and proof of academic standing must be submitted to the State Bar of New Mexico Member Services Department by close of business **Monday, September 12, 2022**.

### Electronic Submission:

Please use the following link to submit electronically: <https://form.jotform.com/sbnm/JudicialClerkshipApplication>



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