

# JUDICIAL ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT COURT OF APPEALS, DIVISION II Tacoma, Washington

The Court of Appeals – Division II in Tacoma, Washington is seeking to fill one full time Judicial Administrative Assistant position. This position acts as confidential administrative assistant, principal paralegal assistant and personal secretary to a judge or judges of the Court of Appeals – Division II. The position also may serve as administrative assistant to the Chief Judge or the Presiding Chief Judge of the Court of Appeals.

## Knowledge and Abilities

Knowledge of: principles of legal research and writing; secretarial and office management practices, procedures, and equipment; Washington State court system and procedures; relevant citation and cite-checking sources; legal terminology, forms, and documents; court rules; English grammar, spelling, punctuation, and arithmetic.

Ability to: compose correspondence and documents on complex matters; prepare reports and correspondence independently; exercise independent judgment and discretion in court business operations to include evaluating situations and making decisions; proofread accurately; maintain confidentiality and be sensitive to problems and issues; establish and maintain effective working relationships with judges, commissioners, law clerks, court clerk and others; learn, interpret and apply court rules and policies and procedures; use word processing and e-mail software; type accurately; and understand and follow written and oral instructions.

See the Job Description for more information on Duties and Responsibilities.

## Minimum Qualifications

Two year Associate of Arts degree in legal secretarial science or related field or a paralegal degree; **AND** five years' experience as a legal secretary or paralegal, executive secretary, or confidential administrative assistant. At the discretion of the hiring judge, a legal secretarial certificate or equivalent may be substituted for an AA degree or paralegal degree on a year-for-year basis.

Paralegal experience or administrative legal experience may be substituted for the education on a year-for-year basis.



Qualified candidates will have well-developed skills in the use of technology and automated systems, including the use of electronic documents. Familiarity with case management and document management systems, office suite products, and electronic workflow processing systems is highly desirable.

## **Desirable Qualifications**

The position requires strong executive secretarial skills. Must be a self-starter and excel at multi-tasking. Must have the ability to prioritize and complete work assignments independently. Must excel in grammar and have proficiency in the use of Microsoft WORD and Westlaw.

A complete description of the position, including salary information and application instructions, can be found at <u>www.courts.wa.gov/employ</u> (under Current Openings, click on Washington Courts). The career section of our website also contains a complete list of other current employment opportunities.

## Salary and Benefits

- \$45,540 \$59,724 DOQ annually (Range 52)
- Medical/Dental, Life Insurance and Long Term Disability Insurance programs
- Paid Vacation and Sick Leave
- State Retirement Plan

## **Application Information**

This position will close on **December 18, 2017 at 5:00 p.m.** 

Submit a <u>cover letter</u>, <u>résumé</u>, and completed <u>judicial branch application</u> (found <u>here</u>) by postal service, email, or fax to:

Administrative Office of the Courts Attention: Human Resources P.O. Box 41170 Olympia, WA 98504-1170 Fax: 360-586-4409 Email: <u>Employment@courts.wa.gov</u> (preferred)

No applications will be accepted by the Court of Appeals. Please submit all applications as indicated above.



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