

**VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT**  
Assistant Historian (temporary position)  
Federal Judicial History Office  
Federal Judicial Center  
Washington, DC 20002-8003

The Federal Judicial Center is the federal courts' agency for research and continuing education. Congress established the Center in 1967 as a separate organization within the federal judicial system at the request of the Judicial Conference of the United States. A nine-member board, chaired by the Chief Justice of the United States, determines its basic policies. The Federal Judicial History Office compiles historical reference works related to the federal court system, conducts research and prepares publications about federal judicial history, develops educational materials to enhance public understanding of the history of the judicial branch, and provides support for historical programs in the federal courts.

**DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES**

The History Office has an opening for a temporary, one-year position to conduct research on the history of the federal judiciary and to prepare related publications. Under the supervision of the director of the history office, the assistant historian will research historical debates on judicial independence and the organization of the judicial branch and will help prepare an FJC publication.

**QUALIFICATIONS**

Desirable qualifications include (1) Ph.D. or ABD in United States History, with a specialization in legal or political history, (2) demonstrated record of scholarship and publications, (3) excellent writing skills, (4) experience producing historical materials for non-academic audiences, and (5) familiarity with the federal court system.

**SALARY AND BENEFITS**

The starting salary range for the successful external candidate will be \$59,138-\$62,095, depending on qualifications, experience and current salary. The position does not carry the tenure rights of positions in the competitive civil service. Federal government benefits are applicable. An array of supplemental benefits are also offered including a transportation subsidy and a flexible benefit program allowing for pre-tax deductions for health insurance, health care, dependent care, and commuter expenses. The Center will consider a variety of flexible work arrangements for its employees including flextime and compressed schedules; partial telecommuting is also available on a case-by-case basis. The FJC is located in the Thurgood Marshall Building, conveniently situated to public transportation directly beside Union Station. The Marshall Building houses a child development center and a health fitness facility for its tenants.

**APPLICATION PROCEDURES**

In a cover letter referring to Announcement #09-02T, please indicate specifically how you satisfy the qualifications listed above. Applications without the required cover letter addressing the qualifications will not be considered. Along with the cover letter, please include a current resume.

Federal Judicial Center  
ATTN: Human Resources Office, Room 6-190  
Announcement #09-02T  
One Columbus Circle, NE  
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When applying, please refer to Announcement #09-02T. This announcement will remain open until filled; however, to receive full consideration, applications should be submitted no later than COB June 1, 2009.

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