

MAGISTRATE JUDGE LEE G. DUNST

United States District Court
Eastern District of New York
100 Federal Plaza
Central Islip, New York 11722

Information for Internship and Clerkship Applicants

Judicial Internships:

Overview

Judicial interns work closely with Judge Dunst and his law clerks to produce substantive legal work product, such as judicial opinions, ECF orders, and bench memoranda. Judicial interns will also observe various court proceedings (both before Judge Dunst and other Central Islip judges). Applicants must be law students interested in federal litigation who possess strong legal researching and writing skills.

Academic year internships (spring only) may be part-time or full-time. Summer internships are full-time for 8-10 weeks. Start and end dates are flexible.

How to Apply

Applicants should e-mail the following materials to dunst_chambers@nyed.uscourts.gov: (1) cover letter, (2) current resume, (3) law school transcript, (4) a writing sample, preferably a piece of legal writing, no more than 10 pages in length, and (5) the names, e-mail addresses, and telephone numbers of two professional references, including at least one faculty member at the applicant's law school.

Deadlines

Spring:

Applications will be reviewed on a rolling basis, but must be submitted by December 15th for the spring.

Summer:

Applications will be reviewed on a rolling basis beginning on January 15th.

Additional Information

The Court is unable to provide compensation or travel accommodations to interns. Interns are welcome to seek outside sources of funding. In addition, summer interns are responsible for securing their own housing in or around the Central Islip area.

Clerkships:

Prospective clerkship applicants should consult OSCAR (<https://oscar.uscourts.gov>) to determine whether Judge Dunst is currently hiring. All clerkship applications must be submitted via OSCAR.

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