

CLERKSHIPS WITH JUDGE PARKER

Judge Parker has filled the position that begins September, 2002. At the first of 2002, he will begin accepting applications for one or two clerkships beginning in September of 2003. Formerly, Judge Parker offered only two-year clerkships. However, upon becoming Chief Judge as of September 1, 2000, Judge Parker had authority to employ three law clerks. One of the three is a permanent law clerk. For the future, Judge Parker will offer either one-year or two-year clerkships for the other two positions.

The primary duties of law clerks are research and writing, mostly in civil cases. Normally, this involves preparing memoranda for pretrial conferences and motion hearings, drafting opinions or memoranda of law, and preparing jury instructions. In addition, Judge Parker normally has a clerk present during all court proceedings where the clerk has the responsibility of swearing in witnesses and keeping minutes of the proceeding.

Applicants for the law clerk position should have a record of academic excellence, law review or other legal journal experience, and legal writing talent.

Preference is given to applicants with a specific interest in New Mexico and who are conversant in Spanish.

Interested candidates should submit a resume, an undergraduate and a law school grade transcript, three letters of recommendation, and a writing sample to:

Chambers of the Honorable James A. Parker, Chief Judge
United States District Court
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