

Judicial Clerkship Clinic

Fall 2009 - Spring 2010

Please read this carefully before applying for the Clinic. It explains the commitments you must make if you are selected to participate in the Clinic. **You must submit the original and 3 copies of your “Application Packet” to me, Pam Keller, by placing them in my mailbox in the main office by noon on Thursday, February 19, 2009. Your Application Packet must contain: (1) the application form, which you must fill out completely and which is attached here; (2) your resume; and (3) your unofficial law school transcript.** I will review these documents, as will the judges (and their full-time law clerks) participating in the program. By submitting an application for the Clinic, you are consenting to review of the information you provide and indicating your understanding of the requirements set out below and your intent to abide by them. If you have questions or need additional information, please contact me (Room 420A, 864-9274, pkeller@ku.edu).

Students must enroll in the Clinic in both the Fall and Spring semesters. You may not drop the course without my permission and that of the judge to whom you have been assigned.

Students will receive three credit hours each semester and be graded credit/no credit. Only students who will have completed at least two regular semesters by the beginning of the Fall semester are eligible for the program.

Students must schedule their classes so that they are available to work with the assigned judge one eight-hour block or two four-hour blocks each week of each semester (120 hours each semester). You must also attend scheduled class sessions and individual meetings, submit a journal of your activities each week, and write a paper on your experience, the judicial system, or other related topic during the spring semester.

Students must not enroll concurrently in the Clinic and another law school clinic. You must not hold a law clerk position with a law firm, public interest organization, or governmental agency while you are enrolled in the Clinic. You must disclose to me and the assigned judge any potential conflicts of interest. Students must disclose to me and the assigned judge any criminal convictions, arrests, or honor code charges that occur while enrolled in the Clinic and must disclose on the application for the Clinic any prior criminal convictions or honor code charges.

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Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____ e-mail: _____

Number of credit hours you will have completed before the Fall 2009 semester _____

Number of semesters you will have completed before the Fall 2009 semester _____

summer semesters _____ regular semesters _____

Expected date of graduation _____ Law School GPA _____ Class Rank _____

Name of one of your small section professors or another academic
reference _____

Have you ever been convicted of a crime or charged with a violation of the Law School Honor
Code? _____ If yes, please explain the circumstances:

Please explain briefly your reasons for wanting to participate in the Judicial Clerkship Clinic:

We anticipate the assignments listed below.

Federal Court (Topeka and Kansas City, KS)

United States District Court

United States Magistrate

United States Bankruptcy Court

State Court

Douglas County District Court - general docket (Lawrence)

Johnson County District Court (Olathe)

Shawnee County District Court (Topeka)

If you have a special interest in the U.S. Bankruptcy Court, please explain:

If you prefer a particular assignment, please explain:

If you cannot accept (or are not interested in) an assignment to any of the courts listed or if a particular assignment would cause hardship, please explain:

If you are also applying for the Summer 2009 Judicial Clerkship Clinic, please indicate which you prefer. Fall-Spring ____ Summer ____ No preference ____

Signature _____ Date _____