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Clerkships and Internships with Judge Nazarian Appellate Court of Maryland

Judge Nazarian has three law clerks—one Senior Law Clerk and two Term Law Clerks—and welcomes interns throughout the school year and the summer. The Senior Law Clerk is the Chief of Staff and handles the Chambers’ administrative duties in addition to the traditional law clerk duties. Term Law Clerks serve for one year, typically beginning and ending sometime in August.

For all positions, Judge Nazarian welcomes candidates from *all* backgrounds—K-JDs, people with work or other academic experience, first-generation law students, and people of all races, genders, and sexual orientations, identities, and expressions are encouraged to apply. There are no rigid application requirements other than completion of law school before a clerkship begins, but the Judge seeks to hire people who think deeply and independently, express themselves clearly, and work well in a team setting.

SENIOR LAW CLERK—OPEN NOW

Judge Nazarian is accepting applications for a new Senior Law Clerk to start in Summer 2024. This position isn’t necessarily permanent, but it meant to be durable—there is no set term, but the Judge asks for a minimum commitment of two years.

To qualify as a Senior Law Clerk (and for the SLC salary) for Judiciary HR purposes, candidates must have two years of legal experience and a JD from an ABA-accredited law school. Maryland Bar admission is not required. Prior SLCs have gone on to prestigious appellate practice opportunities (federal and state), court-based appellate mediation practices (federal and state), and federal clerkships, and the position has proven to be a good platform for experienced lawyers seeking to re-enter the profession or relocate to Maryland.

The link to the posting is below. Applicants must submit materials through the Judiciary’s HR portal but should feel free to call Chambers or email the incumbent SLC, Theresa Breslin, theresa.breslin@mdcourts.gov, with questions.

https://careers.mdcourts.gov/psc/hrprdcg/EMPLOYEE/HRMS/c/HRS_HRAM_FL.HRS.CG.SEARCH_FL.GBL?Page=HRS_APP_SCHJOB_FL&Action=U

TERM CLERKSHIPS—OPEN JUNE 10 FOR THE 2025-26 TERM

Judge Nazarian synchronizes his Term Law Clerk hiring process with the Federal Law Clerk Hiring Plan. For the 2025-26 term, he will begin accepting applications on Monday, June 10, 2024 and will hire on a rolling basis after that.

Candidates should forward the following materials in PDF format to Senior Law Clerk Theresa Breslin at theresa.breslin@mdcourts.gov: resume, transcript (unofficial is fine), two writing samples, and references and/or letters of recommendation (letters can be sent separately). Cover letters are optional but often represent a good opportunity to introduce yourself to the Judge and the team. The hiring process includes interviews (preferably in person) with the Judge and the entire team.

INTERNSHIPS

Judge Nazarian welcomes interns throughout the school year and over the summer. These are unpaid positions, alas, but allow students a first-hand opportunity to see and participate in the work of the Court.

Interns are hired on a rolling basis. The application window for Summer 2024 is open now, opens for Fall 2024 on June 24, 2024, and opens for Spring 2025 on September 30, 2024.

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