UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT NORTHERN DISTRICT OF OKLAHOMA VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT – COURTROOM DEPUTY # FY 25-05

BASIC INFORMATION

Position Title: Courtroom Deputy

Employment Type: Full-Time, Permanent

Location: Tulsa, Oklahoma

Area of Consideration: Open to All Qualified Applicants

Grade/Annual Salary Range: CL 26/01 - CL 27/61, \$53,839 - \$96,147 annually,

depending on qualifications & experience.

Opening Date: August 21, 2025

Closing Date: Open Until Filled*

**To ensure consideration, apply by September 18, 2025.

Anticipated Report Date: TBD

The United States District Court for the Northern District of Oklahoma is seeking qualified applicants for the position of Courtroom Deputy. The District Court is comprised of 11 judicial officers, their staff, and a Clerk's Office staff of 36 employees. Courtroom Deputies are members of the Clerk's Office and report directly to the Clerk of Court or designee.

Whether launching or continuing a career in public service, the Clerk's Office for the Northern District is a great place to work with competitive salaries and benefits and the opportunity to work with colleagues committed to fulfilling the important mission of administrating justice in an efficient and effective manner.

POSITION OVERVIEW

The Courtroom Deputy performs general and specialized court and courtroom functions, including managing the judge's caseload, attending and logging court proceedings, and processing orders. This job requires a high level of knowledge regarding court and courtroom operations, some of which are complex. In addition, the person in this position must be able to function at the fully proficient level of courtroom work, including complete calendar and other reporting responsibilities. This position reports directly to the Chief Deputy Clerk.

This position offers an opportunity for a motivated and competent individual to gain the broad range of experience and exposure necessary to become competitive for positions of greater responsibility within the Federal Judiciary.

REPRESENTATIVE DUTIES / RESPONSIBILITIES

- Assists with the management of judge's cases by calendaring and regulating their movement; monitoring filing of pertinent documents and timely responses to judicial orders; and setting dates and times for hearings, trials, and conferences.
- Keeps judge and immediate staff informed of case progress.

- Attends court sessions and assists with orderly flow of proceedings including, but not limited to, setting up the courtroom, assuring presence of all necessary participants, and managing exhibits.
- Takes notes of proceedings and rulings and prepares minute entries.
- Drafts orders as directed.
- Informs jury department of upcoming trials, need for jurors, etc.
- Assists judge and parties in jury selection and compiles records of jury selection and attendance.
- Acts as liaison between the Clerk's Office, the bar, and the judge to ensure cases proceed smoothly.
- Serves as a source of information on scheduling conferences, hearings, trials, and other case processes.
- Performs backup duties for other Magistrate and Article III courtroom deputies, as required.
- Performs other duties, as assigned.

EXPERIENCE / QUALIFICATIONS

Minimum Required Experience/Qualifications

- Must be a high school graduate, or equivalent.
- For CL-26, must possess a minimum of at least one year of specialized experience.
- For CL-27, must possess a minimum of two years of specialized experience.

Specialized experience is progressively responsible clerical or administrative experience requiring the regular and recurring application of clerical procedures that demonstrate the ability to apply a body of rules, regulations, directives, or laws and involve the routine use of specialized terminology and automated software and equipment for work processing, data entry or report generation. Such experience is commonly encountered in law firms, legal counsel offices, banking and credit firms, educational institutions, social service organizations, insurance companies, real estate and title offices, and corporate headquarters or human resources/payroll operations.

Court Preferred Experience/Qualifications

- Prior courtroom experience and knowledge of courtroom procedures.
- Experience using a Case Management/Electronic Case Filing (CM/ECF) program.
- Experience using Microsoft Office products.
- Bachelor's Degree.

JOB REQUIREMENTS

- Must exhibit the highest standards of excellence, integrity, and customer service, and display, at all times and to all people, a courteous, professional, and cooperative attitude.
- Must have the ability to maintain strict confidentiality.
- Must have the ability to take initiative and work successfully and collaboratively in a team-based environment where accuracy and attention to detail and procedure is critical.
- Must have the ability to work calmly under pressure, handle multiple tasks simultaneously, and adapt easily to change.

- Must have the ability to analyze problems and assess the practical implications of alternate solutions.
- Must have the ability to prioritize tasks and work assignments and consistently meet deadlines and targeted goals.
- Must have the ability to learn, understand, and use the Court's software programs.
- Must have the ability to learn, understand, and apply data quality principles/practices.
- Must have the ability to learn and apply a body of rules, regulations, directives, or laws.
- Must have the capacity to employ one's knowledge, skills, and abilities in the resolution of problems.
- Must have solid computer skills.
- Must have excellent verbal and written communication and interpersonal skills.
- Must be well organized, detail-orientated, and self-motivated.
- Must be dependable and have a strong work ethic.
- Must display a pleasant and positive attitude and be service oriented.

CONDITIONS OF EMPLOYMENT

Applicants must be United States Citizens or eligible to work in the United States. Judiciary employees serve under excepted appointments, are considered "at-will", and serve at the pleasure of the court. All court employees are required to adhere to a Code of Conduct which can be reviewed here. A background investigation, including an FBI fingerprint and criminal records check, will be conducted. The selectee will be hired provisionally pending successful completion of the investigation and receipt of a favorable suitability determination. Court employees are required to use Electronic Fund Transfer (EFT) for payroll direct deposit. If hired at a lower level, promotion to a higher level, budget allowing and when determined qualified, could occur without further competition.

BENEFITS

A generous benefits package is available which includes a minimum of 11 paid holidays; paid annual and sick leave; health, life, and long-term care insurance benefits; flexible benefits, a retirement plan, a Thrift Savings Plan (401K), and wellness and employee assistance programs. For more information, please click here. Also, the Federal Courthouse has an onsite fitness center and parking is provided.

APPLICATION INFORMATION / HOW TO APPLY

Qualified applicants should submit one PDF document that contains:

- 1. a cover letter which addresses qualifications, skills, and experience necessary to perform the job duties;
- 2. a current/detailed chronological resume;
- 3. a list of three professional references including current contact information; and
- 4. a completed and signed Application for Judicial Branch Federal Employment (Form AO-78). The application form can be found here. The Optional Background Information on Page 5 of the application is not required for this position.

The application packet must be submitted ELECTRONICALLY, no exceptions, to okndhr@oknd.uscourts.gov. Questions can be directed to 918-699-4841.

Incomplete applications may not be considered. Applications will be screened for qualifications and only the most qualified applicants will be contacted and selected for an interview. Participation in the interview process will be at the applicant's expense and relocation expenses will not be provided.

The Court reserves the right to modify the conditions of this announcement, withdraw the announcement, or fill the position at any time, any of which may occur without prior written notice. More than one vacancy may be filled under this announcement.

The United States District Court is an Equal Opportunity Employer



TOTAL COMPENSATION STATEMENT

* SAMPLE FOR ILLUSTRATION PURPOSES ONLY *

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LOCATION: Tulsa, Oklahoma

STARTING LEVEL: CL 26/01 – CL 27/61,

SALARY: \$74,993 per Annum

The Federal Judiciary provides a generous benefit package which, in addition to salary, is an important component of total compensation. This total compensation statement illustrates the value of the Federal Judiciary benefits. Please be advised that the information is tailored to this position as above, however some of the individual benefit values may vary based on your benefit choices.

EARNINGS	\$74,993	Total Compensation		
Retirement Benefits	\$20,773.06	6%0%	Earnings	
Health/Life Insurance	\$7,207.32	18%	■ Retirement	
Paid Time Off	\$10,672.08	66%	Health/Life Insurance	
TOTAL EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTIONS \$38,652.46				

Employer contributions represent 34.01 % of total compensation

TOTAL COMPENSATION \$113,645.46

EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTIONS

Retirement Benefits

*	Retirement - Basic Benefit (FERS)	16.5 – 18.4% of basic pay for FY25, varies by type of FERS employee (FERS, FERS RAE or FERS FRAE)
*	Thrift Savings Plan - Automatic Contribution	1% of Basic Pay for FERS employees
*	Thrift Savings Plan - Employee Matching	Up to an additional 4% of Basic Pay Judiciary matches dollar for dollar for the first 3%, then 50 cents for every dollar contributed after that, up to 5%
*	Social Security	6.2% of earnings up to SS Wage Base

Health /Life Insurance

Paid Time Off

Sick Leave

 Annual Leave service 4 hours per pay period = 104 hours per year 4 - 8 hours per pay period based on length of

0-3 years = 104 hours/year 3-15 years = 160 hours/year 15+ years = 208 hours/year

Paid Holidays
 11 federal holidays

ADDITIONAL BENEFITS

- Dental Insurance, premiums paid on a pre-tax basis
- Vision Insurance, premiums paid on a pre-tax basis
- Flexible Spending Accounts, contributions paid on a pre-tax basis
- Paid Parental Leave, 12 weeks
- Long-term Care Insurance
- Employee Recognition Program
- Professional Education and Training
- Benefit and Retirement counseling and training
- Onsite Gym
- Employee Assistance Program (EAP)