

Legal Careers

From providing the court with procedural and substantive legal advice to enforcing the United States Constitution's Sixth Amendment right to counsel by representing those charged with a crime who cannot afford an attorney, the federal Judiciary offers diverse and rewarding opportunities for new and experienced attorneys.

Careers: law clerk, staff attorney, federal public defender, attorney advisor, in-house counsel at the Administrative Office, and more.

Financial Careers

Finance professionals manage Judiciary resources to keep the courts operational and make sure financial and procurement needs are met. They oversee the day-to-day accounting, financial, budget, and procurement functions of the court.

Careers: budget officer or analyst, contracts specialist, accountant, and more.

U.S. Probation & Pretrial Services Careers

U.S. probation and pretrial services offices across the country assist the courts in the fair administration of justice, promote community safety, and make a difference in the lives they serve. As the eyes and ears of the federal courts, probation and pretrial services officers conduct investigations and supervise individuals in the community who have been released from prison, placed on probation, or released on bail by the court.

Careers: probation officer, pretrial services officer, officer assistant, and more.

Court Administration Careers

Court administration and services professionals support the federal courts in the day-to-day business of justice. They are the "face" and leaders of court program services and are devoted to upholding the court's mission of equal justice under law.

Careers: court unit executive, case administrator, courtroom deputy, interpreter, court reporter, jury administrator, and more.

Technology Careers

From securing our information systems to software development and technical support, technology is an essential function in the daily operations of the federal Judiciary. Our information technology and cybersecurity professionals ensure that our systems remain safe and optimized.

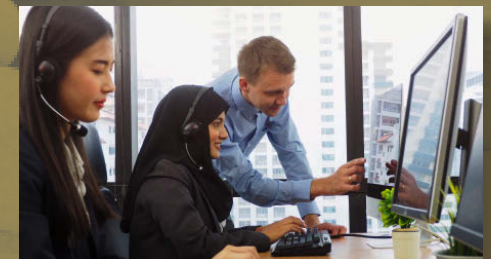
Careers: cybersecurity and information technology officer, programmer, systems analyst administrator, network administrator, and more.

Program Management and Support Careers

Program management and support professionals use their specialized skills to help the federal Judiciary run more efficiently. They contribute to national initiatives by providing strategic hands-on support to court staff, address the recruitment and hiring needs of the Judiciary, develop policies, perform statistical analysis, and ensure the courthouses are operational and secure.

Careers: human resources, management analyst, facilities management and security, and more.

Benefits: The federal Judiciary offers a very competitive total compensation package that includes health care, financial security, career development, and work-life flexibilities.





WHAT WE DO

The federal courts have jurisdiction over cases involving:

- The United States government;
- The Constitution or federal laws; and
- Controversies between states, citizens of different states, or the United States government and foreign governments.

Court of appeals judges, district court judges, magistrate, and bankruptcy judges work to ensure equal justice under the law.

- Article III of the Constitution governs the appointment of court of appeals judges and district judges, who are nominated by the president and confirmed by the U.S. Senate.
- Bankruptcy judges are judicial officers appointed by the U.S. Court of Appeals for the district where they preside exclusively over bankruptcy proceedings and cases.
- Magistrate judges are judicial officers of the district court appointed by the district judges of the court to handle a variety of judicial proceedings.



WHO WE ARE

The U.S. Courts are composed of 13 circuits and 94 districts across the country, including:

- Appellate courts,
- District courts,
- Bankruptcy courts,
- Courts of special jurisdiction,
- Probation and Pretrial Services offices,
- Federal Defenders' offices, and
- The Administrative Office of the U.S. Courts.



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